



# STEWARDSHIP

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Creating  
Opportunities for  
Ministers to  
Practice and  
Advocate  
Skilled  
Stewardship

## COMPASS Initiative to Improve Financial Health of U.S. Pastors

A significant number of Nazarene pastors in the U.S. are struggling financially, particularly those who serve in smaller congregations. The Church of the Nazarene believes that, by reducing the financial strain they experience, pastors will be empowered to lead effectively in ministry and in the area of financial stewardship. Funded by Lilly Endowment Inc.'s National Initiative to Address Economic Challenges Facing Pastoral Leaders, The COMPASS Initiative was created to connect ministers to resources for excellence in financial management, assist ministers in a journey to financial well-being through grants, education and accountability, and empower ministers to teach and model Biblical financial principles. To read the news release about this exciting initiative, [click here](#). Additional information will be available soon, including information on how to take advantage of resources provided by The COMPASS Initiative.



## 2017 Easter Offering Resources Available

Stewardship Ministries is pleased to announce the 2017 Easter Offering resources are available for download. Color and grayscale resources, including a promo video, posters, bulletin inserts/postcards, a planning guide and children's activity sheets, are available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, French and Korean at [www.nazarene.org/generosity](http://www.nazarene.org/generosity). As your church begins planning for the Easter season, keep in mind the importance of the Easter Offering, which grows the World Evangelism Fund—the financial backbone for the Church of the Nazarene.

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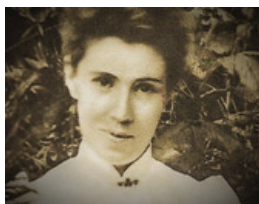
### Bridge of Salvation

Edgar de la Rosa was devastated after his family moved out because of his drug and alcohol addiction. God not only brought transformation and healing for Edgar, but also inspired him to start a ministry that would impact his community in Oaxaca, Mexico. [Click here](#) to read more.



### One Hundred Years Young

At about 100 years old, the Bakersfield (CA) Church of the Nazarene is drawing in a new generation of teenagers from the surrounding neighborhoods through both long-term programs and short events. [Click here](#) to read more.



### Quote: Amy Carmichael

"You can give without loving. But you cannot love without giving."