



**2019** Annual Report



The year 2019 has been one of great blessing as we have partnered with God in the work of His kingdom. The Board of General Superintendents would like to thank you for your love and commitment to this work through prayers, participation, and sacrificial giving.

Our church saw many exciting developments in Nazarene Missions this past year as we reemphasized our calling as a missional church. Already in 2020, we are looking forward to the unfolding of a movement of God as we continue to explore our identity as a discipling church through a Journey of Grace.

As a global church with an active presence in 162 world areas, we aspire to carry out the responsibility of living like Christlike disciples in the nations. As a result we continue spreading the gospel as we witness God's transformational work in the lives of individuals and communities.

Your prayers and financial support help us prepare and equip believers to grow in Christlike maturity, which will inspire them to share the message of Christ's transformational love with others.

Because of your generosity, together we are able to fulfill our mission as a holiness people called to love, serve, and share the message of salvation.

We are sincerely grateful for you!

Thank you.

**BOARD OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS** 

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# **2019** at a glance

There are many ways to measure our missional effectiveness. Here are just a few statistics that highlight the Church of the Nazarene's global ministry in 2019:



449
NEW CHURCHES



Several churches on the South Texas District combined their resources to help sponsor a church plant in Jarrell, Texas. Wayfinders Jarrell is one of 449 new Nazarene churches.

**2,616,741** TOTAL MEMBERS

29,723
NAZARENE MINISTERS



Maria Ribeiro is one of 29,723 total ministers. At the Rio de Janeiro District assembly, she became one of the Church of the Nazarene's oldest ordinands at the age of 90.

**221,686**DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

90,364 BAPTISMS



Binoy from the North District of Bangladesh was one of 221,686 people who decided to follow Christ and one of 90,364 Nazarenes who were baptized this year.



### MISSION

TO MAKE

**CHRISTLIKE** 

**DISCIPLES** 

IN THE

NATIONS

# **OUR PURPOSE** of discipleship

TO CARRY OUT THE
GREAT COMMISSION
TO CHILDREN,
YOUTH, AND ADULTS
IN PREPARATION
FOR A LIFETIME OF
BEING AND MAKING
CHRISTLIKE DISCIPLES



joining people along the journey

## from grace

God goes before us to make a way and to draw us into relationship through prevenient grace.

## to grace

Jesus rescues us from sin and leads us into the truth that sets us free through saving grace.

## through grace

The Holy Spirit empowers us to live a life fully consecrated to God through sanctifying grace.

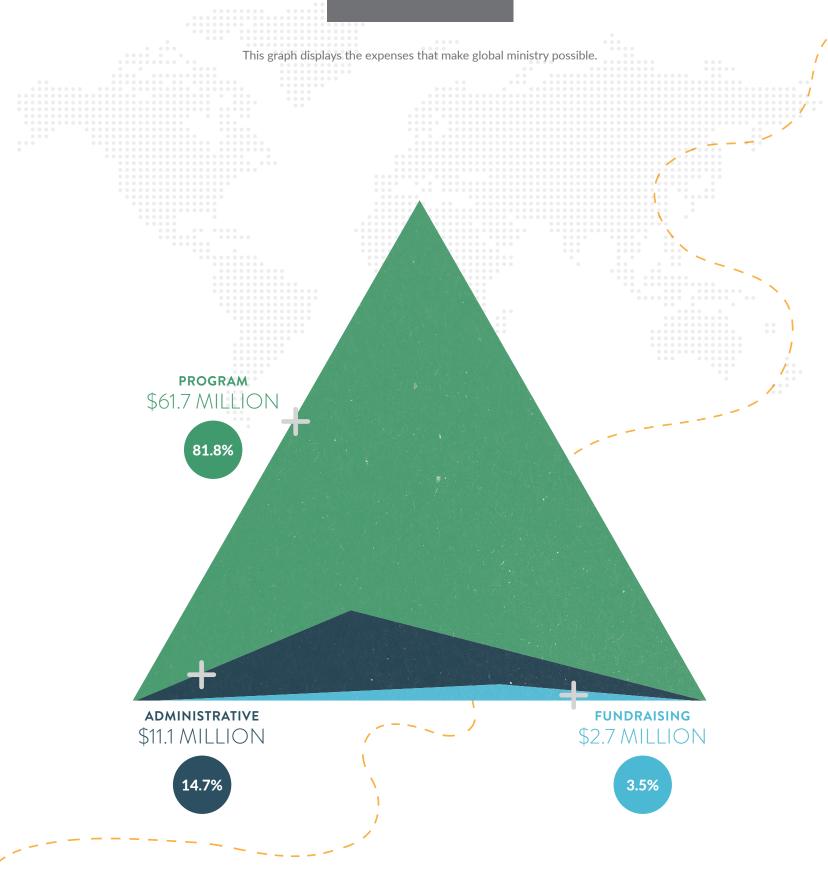
THE WAY.

THE TRUTH.

THE LIFE.



**EXPENSES**by functional percentage





#### **GLOBAL OUTREACH** \$47.6 MILLION

Ministry support and funding for the six regions, including global youth and discipleship ministry 74.9%

# **HIGHER EDUCATION** \$3.3 MILLION

Oversight of clergy development and 51 colleges, universities, and seminaries located in 35 countries, including support for Nazarene Theological Seminary, Nazarene Bible College, Nazarene Theological College–Manchester, and Ambrose University

5.1%

### TOTAL GIVING \$63.6 MILLION

Thank you for your investment of \$36.4 million in the World Evangelism Fund and \$25.9 million in Mission Specials.

#### MISSION SUPPORT AND LEADERSHIP \$10.4 MILLION

Programs, technology, processing, logistics, and connectional services that enable global ministry

16.4%

### EVENTS AND GOVERNANCE \$2.3 MILLION

General Assembly, governance including General Board and its committees, legal services, and other corporate activities

3.6%



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