

# NMI Central

NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

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**Africa, Asia-Pacific, Eurasia, Mesoamerica, South  
America, USA-Canada Regions**





2,724,006 Members



26,680 Fully  
Organized Churches;  
7,067 Not Yet  
Organized Churches



11,140 District  
Licensed, and 20,214  
Ordained Ministers on  
472 Districts and in 30  
Pioneer Areas

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## PRAYER



- Pray for all areas of the world impacted by hurricanes, cyclones, and typhoons.
  - Pray that Nazarenes will be ready to help those most impacted by these storms and other natural disasters.
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## PRAISE



- Praise God that through local Churches of the Nazarene and Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, we are able to respond immediately in the aftermath of powerful storms.
- Praise God that, in the midst of natural disasters, Nazarenes in 165 world areas are on the ground, showing compassion and extending Christ's love to their communities.



## Weather Predictions and Nazarene Readiness

Many do not realize that catastrophic storms can occur at any time somewhere in the world. Pick a month...any month...and somewhere in the world, a catastrophic storm may strike. This means that vast areas of the globe are preparing for or enduring catastrophic storms. When they develop over the North Atlantic, central North Pacific, and eastern North Pacific, these huge rotating storms are called hurricanes; when they form over the South Pacific and Indian Ocean, they are called cyclones; and when they develop in the Northwest Pacific, they are called typhoons. They hit widespread areas from small islands to large continents, and however prepared we may think we are, the fury with which they strike shocks us with the lives devastated by the damage they leave behind.

In 2024, it is predicted that in the Atlantic, this will be an 'above average' season, with between 13 and 20 named storms with winds of 39 mph (63 kph) or higher, of which 6-10 could become hurricanes with winds of 79 mph (127 kph) or higher. Of these, 3-5 are expected to be category 3,4 or 5 storms with winds of over 111 mph (179 kph). In the Pacific, it is predicted that the number of severe storms could be below average in the 2024 season. However, high winds, high storm surges (up to 20 feet), heavy rains, and flooding become headline news wherever these storms hit around the world. A new record of tropical cyclones formed in the South Indian Ocean in May. Already, in 2024, multiple storms have wreaked havoc.

We are not weather forecasters, but we can all be weather-prepared, ready to offer aid and support to those most impacted by these storms, whether in our own geographical area or across the globe. We need not wait for a ‘call to action’ to be agents of grace in times of need. When you see a forecast for one of these super storms, don’t hesitate to pray for the areas in the track of the storm. The storm track may change, but we can be confident that wherever these storms hit, there are likely Nazarenes on the ground who will be ready to be agents of grace in the situation as it unfolds, many of whom may themselves be impacted. Know that Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM) will respond and collaborate with other agencies to bring aid to affected areas.

To see how you can help in times of need through NCM, click [here](#).

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