



Kid's Kaleidoscope

Special Edition

Kids Praying for the World



CONVERSATION CENTRAL

How many years has the Church of the Nazarene participated in Global Week of Prayer? _____ Did you participate?

There was a quote in our story "Prayer is the glue that connects us." What are some ways you feel more connected with your Nazarene brothers and sisters around the world after using the Kids Praying for the World booklet?

Prayer is a very important part of being a Christian, it is how we talk to our Father God. When have you felt the need to pray? How did you feel after praying? Many times when we pray we ask for something, but it is also a great time to thank God! We are thankful for you!

CONNECT THE REGION

Using the Children's Global Week of Prayer booklet, connect the icon below to the region it represented. Looking at the Praises and Prayer requests for that region, why do you think they chose that icon? If you have time, color the icons here and in the booklet.



- South America
- Eurasia
- Global Church
- Asia - Pacific
- United States & Canada
- Africa
- Mesoamerica

COLOR THE LOGO

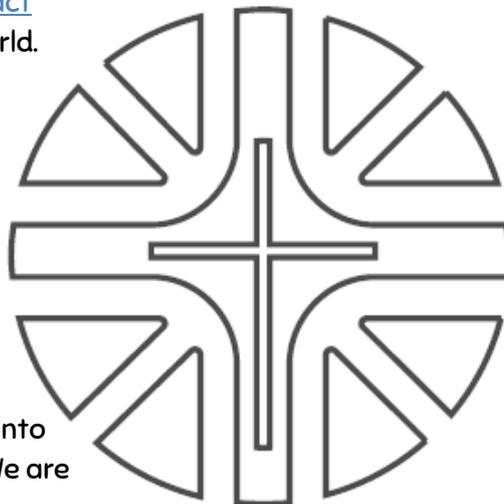
Nazarene Missions International or NMI is the ministry in the Church of the Nazarene that organizes Global Week of Prayer. Below you can see the NMI logo (look at the top of this page).

Have you seen it before? Do you know what it means?

At the center you will see the cross; it reminds us that Jesus' love reaches to the farthest borders of the globe. Around the cross you will see four pairs of triangles that have different colors, they remind us of who NMI is and what NMI does. As you color them, think about what NMI stands for and how you can join in!

4. BLUE: We help **impact** people around the world.

3. GREEN: We **mobilize** into action, and into going. We are on the move.

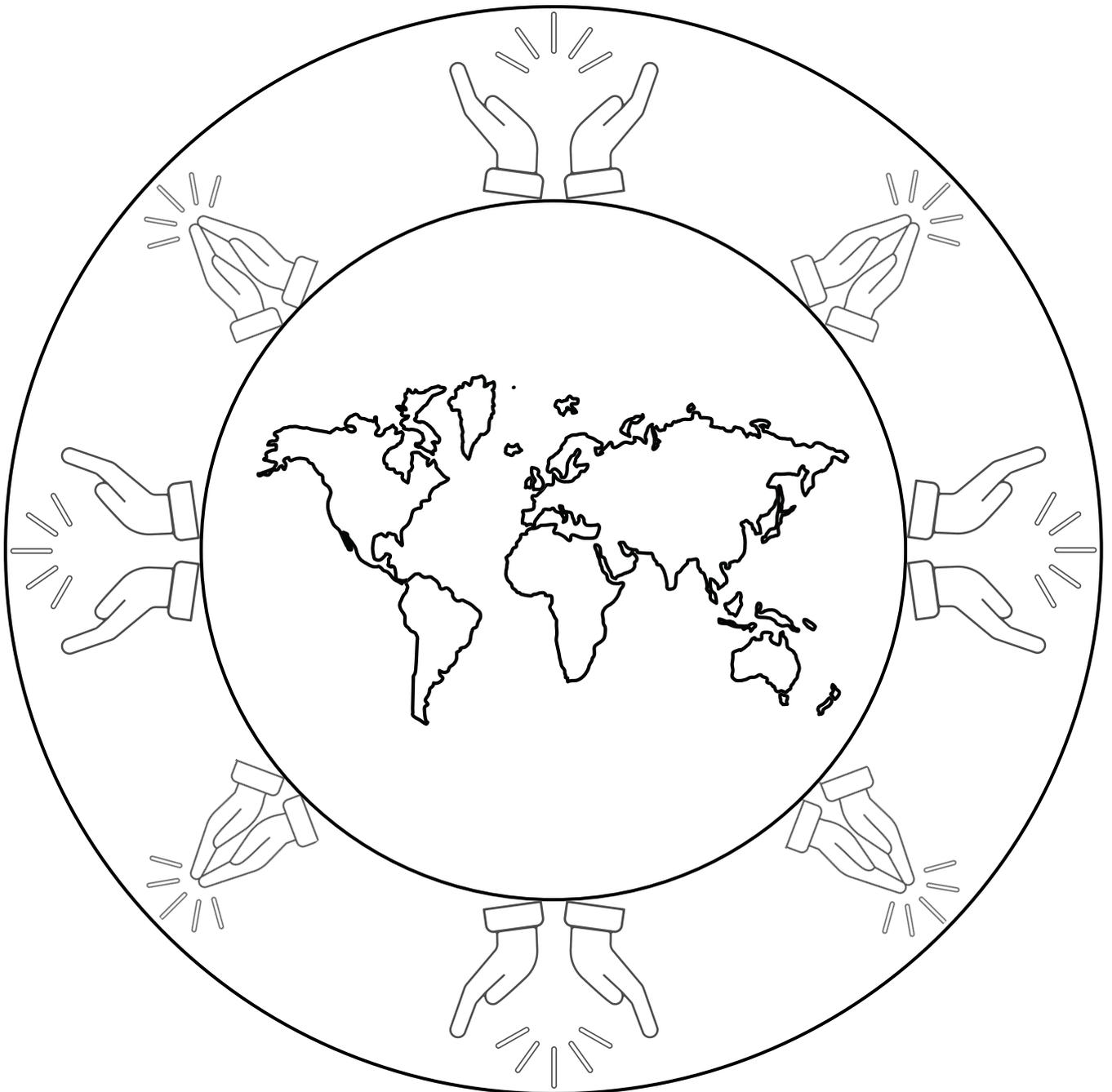


1. ORANGE: We are Global Missions **advocates**, taking time with people and sharing about missions.

2. YELLOW: We **nurture** a spirit of missions in every generation and help that spirit shine.

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We are part of a church that is all around the world. Have you ever wondered, "How can I help someone who lives across the ocean from me?" Or have you ever heard your parents or a family member talking about something that worried them? You might think, "I'm a kid, how can I help them. Do you want to know a secret?" The way you can help is by praying. Sometimes we might think, but that isn't doing anything. When in reality it is the best thing you can ever do. When you pray, you are talking to the Creator of the universe. If God created us, don't you think he wants to help us when we have a need? God loves to hear from His children, so as you color the kaleidoscope, talk to Him! Write or draw some things that you want to talk to God about. Don't forget to thank Him! He is always there, waiting to hear from YOU!



"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV

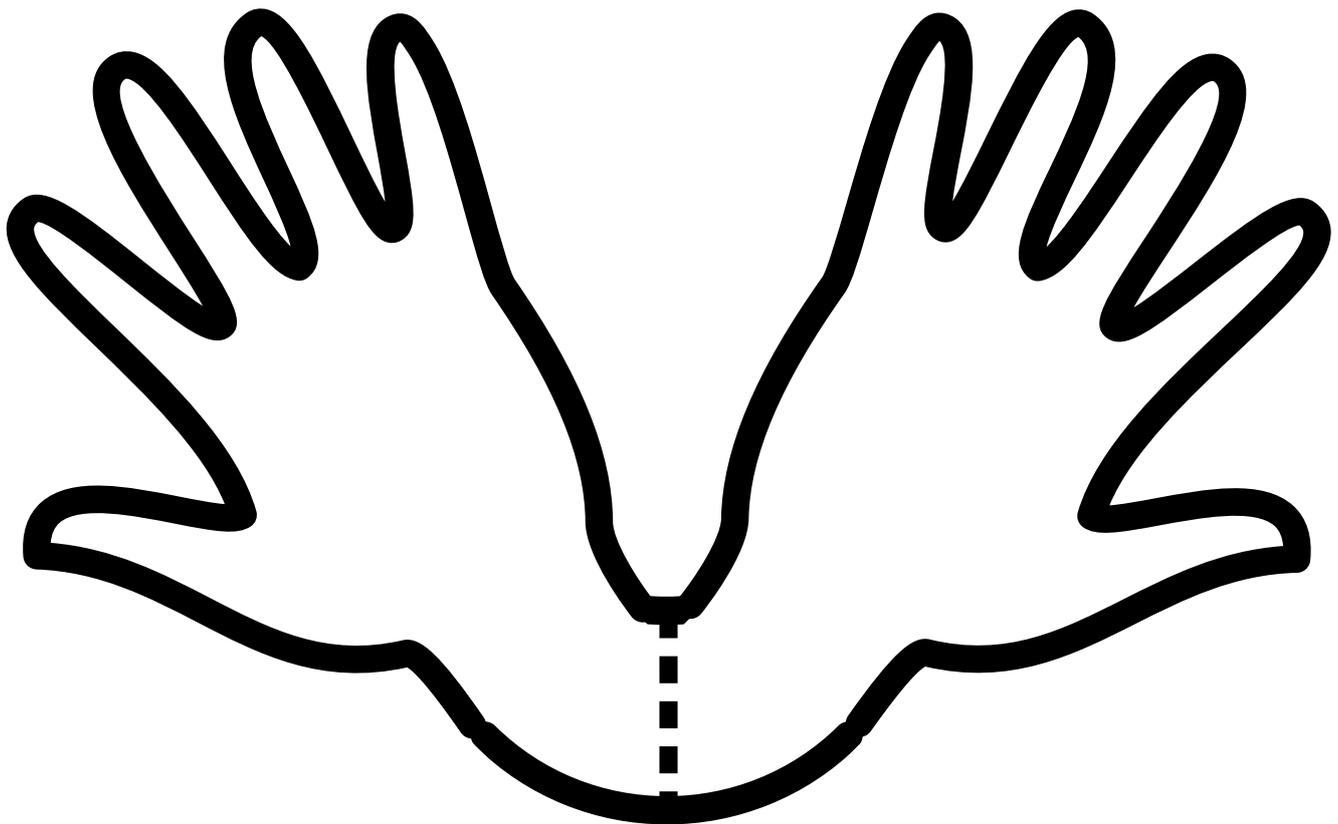


Prayer Activities and Games

The following are instructions for teachers, leaders and families to encourage active participation in praying for our church around the world. These can be used along with the Global Week of Prayer “Kids Praying for the World” booklet that can be downloaded here: www.nazarene.org/nmigwp

PRAYER AND PRAISE TREE:

Making a Prayer and Praise Tree is a great way to help kids pray for their friends, and give God thanks daily. A Praise Tree uses your hands like leaves, clapping in the wind like it says in Isaiah 55:12. Provide two of the templates below to each child. On one template, have every child write their name on one hand and someone they'd like to pray for on the other. Fold them together like praying hands. On the other template, have every child write their name on one hand and a praise on the other. Have a tree branch in the room and connect the hands to the branch to make your group's Prayer and Praise Tree. This tree can be hung on a wall or placed in a pot as a reminder of people we can pray for, and things we can praise God for with joy.



PRAYER WALK:

Place signs or pictures on a wall in a designated area. The pictures can be of a HOME, a FIREHOUSE, a SCHOOL, a CHURCH, an APARTMENT COMPLEX. Children will walk from picture to picture and say a short prayer, (either silently or together as a class), for the people who live or work in each place. You can make this a larger group activity and walk around your neighborhood, praying for these different areas and the people that are in those spaces. You can also do this same activity using photos of different COUNTRIES, to pray for missionaries and the work of the church there.

PRAYER PATH GAME:

Make a path using colored construction paper. Pass out one colored piece of paper to each child and have them stand on the path square that matches the colored paper the teacher gave them. The teacher will then draw colored paper out of a basket and call out that color. The child standing on that color will then name something to pray about that coincides with the color of the square that the teacher called out:

RED: for people or places that might never have heard about Jesus,

DARK GREY: for people who know about Jesus but might not have Him living in their heart,

GREEN: for people to grow and become more like Jesus,

YELLOW: for pastors or church leaders,

ORANGE: for missionaries,

PURPLE: for your country's leaders to come to know Jesus,

BLUE: for something you might worry about or be scared of,

Add other colors with themes that you know would be helpful where you are!

After everyone has prayed put your colors back in the basket and draw a new color. Then continue the game as above.

SWEET PRAYERS:

Choose any colorful candy and give children a small amount with many colors. Create a prayer "key" listing the candy color and what should be prayed for when that color is chosen and eaten. There is a sample using gummy bears attached. This is a fun activity to send home for kids to share with their families.

