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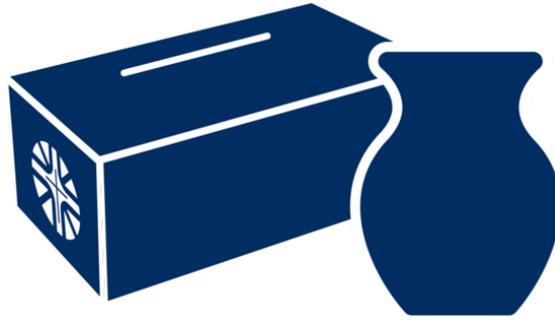
Alabaster 75th Anniversary Year

For many, Alabaster has always been a part of our Nazarene tradition. In the past, churches received Alabaster offerings in February and September. Now, many churches receive Alabaster offerings throughout the year. We celebrate the purchase of land, the building of churches, clinics, and schools, and the leasing of property to see the Church of the Nazarene established. This has given a sense of presence that helps to establish a long-term ministry in places where Nazarenes gather around the world.

Alabaster lays foundations that provide places where people worship, heal, and learn. And every time you participate in Alabaster giving, your contributions not only lay foundations, but you are engaged in enabling people in all kinds of contexts to worship God, heal and be healed, and learn more about the goodness and grace of God.

NMI is engaged in a yearlong celebration, June 2023 – June 2024, where every church, everywhere, will participate in giving to Alabaster at some time during this anniversary year. To help churches encourage giving, in the third week of NMI Central during this 13-month period, rather than highlighting a country, we will share an Alabaster video. Stories of changed lives, stories of sacrifice, stories of Kingdom impact.

To download this month's focus video for the Alabaster 75th Anniversary celebration, click [here](#).



PRAYER



- Pray that the Lord will continue to bless every person who contributes to Alabaster and multiply the generous giving of Nazarenes from across the globe through Alabaster offerings.
- Pray that no one who considers giving to Alabaster will fear to give the little or much that God prompts them to give and that each will faithfully give for the sake of others.
- Pray for a renewed spirit of generosity in every generation to give to Alabaster to provide places where people worship, heal, and learn.

PRAISE



- We praise God for the past 75 years of faithfulness in giving to Alabaster from Nazarenes around the world. From the seemingly least to the greatest gifts, we thank God that He sees, values, and blesses every gift.
- We praise God for the significant offering given in the 24th Global NMI Convention March Offering, which exceeded \$30,000 USD.

Could You Serve?

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