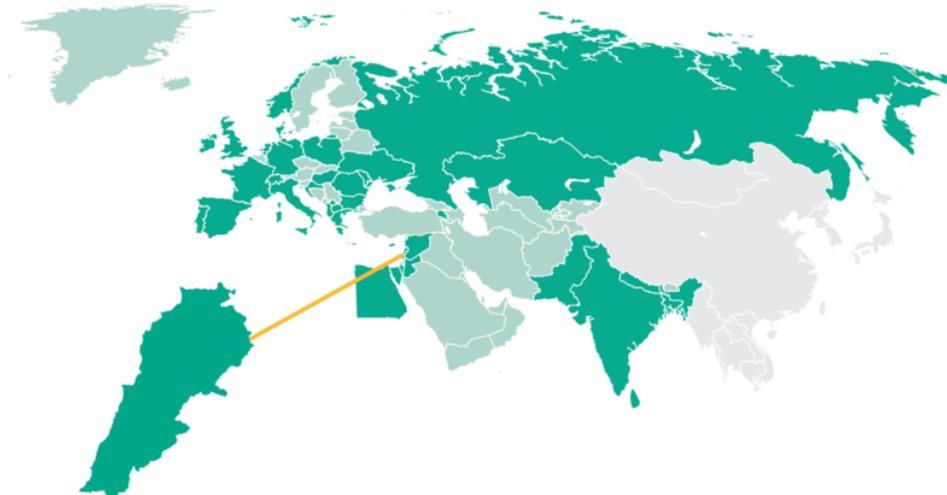


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Lebanon

The Church of the Nazarene began work in Lebanon in 1950. Lebanon, officially the Republic of Lebanon or the Lebanese Republic, is a country in the Middle East. It is located between Syria to the north and east and Israel to the south. It has a population of approximately 7.8 million people, and the official language is Arabic. Nazarene Compassionate Ministries is very active in working with refugees in Lebanon. This year, Nazarene Compassionate Ministries' (NCM) Christmas Project will support compassionate care in Lebanon where an increasingly critical economic crisis has plunged three-quarters of the population into poverty. In the midst of this, the Church of the Nazarene is providing tangible support for people in need and creating safe spaces for children. Click [here](#) for more information.



289 Members



4 Fully Organized Churches



5 District Licensed and 10 Ordained Ministers



PRAYER

- Pray for those who are facing the devastating economic crisis in Lebanon. There are soaring food and fuel prices as well as unreliable electricity.
- Pray that families who are trying to survive as costs are 25 times what they used to be—basic food necessities like grains or infant formula have become luxury items.
- Pray for God to equip the churches, school, and individuals who are caring for those experiencing great needs.



PRAISE

- We praise God for those who have given to the NCM Christmas Project which is focused on Lebanon for 2022.
- We praise God for his faithfulness to the church during the difficult economic crisis.
- We praise God for the way He is working and redeeming the lives of refugees.



'Ballers 4 Beirut' - Football Tournament



In September, footballers of all ages gathered in Ireland and Lebanon to put on two football tournaments to raise money for the Nazarene Evangelical School - Lebanon. With Lebanon still struggling through an ongoing economic crisis, the tournament raised much needed support for this amazing school and its ministries in the community.

The initial tournament, called “Ballers 4 Beirut”, was organized by the Greystones Nazarene Community Church, Ireland. When the Nazarene Evangelical School in Beirut heard about the tournament in Ireland, they wanted to participate too, so they organized a “students vs dads” tournament of their own the same weekend. They had so many families sign up to participate, they ended up having three matches.

According to Marlene, the school’s director, this is the culture they have built at the school throughout the years. When the staff and families hear that something is being done and the proceeds will benefit the school, they want to participate. She stated, “we like to let the kids also share in this, to feel like they are a part of it, and to say thank you for thinking about us and for your prayers and support.”

Join with Nazarenes in Lebanon through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM) to provide scholarships to the Nazarene school, regular packs of food staples for those who cannot afford to eat, and emotional and mental support through school psychologists through the NCM 2022 Christmas Project. Visit www.NCM.org/Christmas for videos, social media images, and bulletin inserts.

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