EDU FOUNDATION

February 2015

VISION
To raise the awareness of the various needs of education and to help educate people, especially in the developing countries of Africa.

MISSION
Resourcing Education in Africa

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

(a) Focus on six core activities: Prayer, Project Teams, Creative Academics, Library Development, Human Resources and Funding.

(b) Manage donations of all kinds for the above activities.

(c) Develop projects that will produce resources for these activities.

(d) Cooperate with and utilize work and witness teams (volunteer groups) and projects in the development of education resources and facilities.

“Presidents Notes”

By Ken Walker

Greetings EDUF Members and Friends!

“…..teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you…..” is still the place EDUF fits best in the Great Commission. While we may not specifically or literally teach, although we can do that too from time to time, we can do lots of things that make the teaching possible. That is what we are all about….facilitating books and reading materials, contributing to scholarships, developing leaders who teach, praying for the teachers, students and process of education, working on education buildings/facilities, contributing financially toward educational endeavors…..focusing on our six core values of Prayer, Project Teams, Creative Academics, Library Development, Human Resources and Funding. These and more are what EDUF is all about. Thanks to all our Chapters who are involved in some way toward making a difference in these goals.

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At our last annual EDUF Board Meeting, a sub-committee was appointed to review our present Constitution and By-Laws with intentions of revising the By-Laws and looking at "A Way Forward" for EDUF. Several revisions were made and those can be reviewed by going to our website at edufoundation.org. Other changes that have been made by the EDUF board are changes in the membership of the board. Margaret Scott, our new Vice President of EDUF, will be writing a brief article about "A Way Forward" which includes some changes that have been made in recent months.....changes to the By-Laws, some changes in the membership of the board and some new ideas EDUF plans to implement. This is all an effort to keep us current and relevant to our task. We'd like to hear from you as to how we are doing at this. Feel free to give us feedback. We welcome it.

The EDUF 2015 WW Team is finalizing its plans to return again to SANU during May 7-23, this year. They plan to install a new drop ceiling, tile the entire floor and paint the walls of the SANU School of Theology Library located at Siteki, Swaziland. Eight of the team members come from southern Indiana, one member comes from Florida, one from Illinois, one from Alabama and one from New Hampshire. Thanks for keeping this team in your prayers as they make all the preparation for the trip. Other projects are in process by the different EDUF Chapters and will be mentioned by respective Managing Partners of the chapters.
President’s Notes cont…

A new chapter of EDUF is coming together called the "MKs (missionary kids) and Friends Chapter". The missionary kids grew up in Africa and other places with their parents serving there. They too have caught the vision and know of the great needs in Africa. Two of the charter members of this chapter are now serving on the EDUF board... Beth Restrick and Todd Nothstine. You will be hearing more from this chapter later.

Please take note of the prayer requests and stories contributed by Greg and Amy Crofford. These are the reasons we do what we do.

Sincerely,

Peter Ken Walker,
President EDUF
**Prayer:** Dear Lord thank you for your Love and Grace, we ask that you lift up those that are faithful to your call, and bless those whom are teaching and those that are seeking knowledge at the universities. Help us prepare for this W&W trip to Swaziland, giving each person a moving experience, and special connection with all going, to make contact with someone we meet on the trip, Local brothers and sisters, on plane, Etc. May everyone involved in EDUF seek your will and carry it out with your strength and wisdom. May the New Board members be blessed with time an ability to carry out the needs of each chapter. Please hear each prayer on the prayer list and may your will be done in each case. May we have your blessing to grow and continue to support education in Africa.

In Christ’s Name,

_Amen_

**Prayer Requests**

_Prayer requests for all the schools -_

1. That the Holy Spirit will be close during the chapel services and students, staff and faculty will be drawn closer to Him.

2. For wisdom for the school administrators as new terms are starting.

3. God's provision for school fees.
Additional Notes: “INDABA” IN INDIANA!

I’m not sure how many times we wiped tears from our eyes as God’s Spirit moved through us. What? You may say. I thought the Corydon, IN meeting was supposed to be one of those boring, marathon sessions of word-smithing and policy talk. It was that, minus the “boring” because God was in charge of the affairs! So, what did He produce through us? Exciting expressions of who EDUF is as we turn into 2015, continuing to “RESOURCE EDUCATION IN AFRICA”.

- Vision for an “Indiana Jones” style, er, “Jesus Film Backpack style”, Work & Witness team taking backpacks full of electronic readers and foldable solar panels into remote sites where pastors need training, like the Himbas in Namibia, thanks to missionary Mike Shalley’s presence and sharing with us.
- A new definition of an EDUF member: all who align with the mission and core activities of the Foundation. See this expression in the revised bylaws: http://www.edufoundation.org/BYLAWS/
- A new definition of an EDUF chapter, huge for our growth and development. A chapter may now be virtual, not only geographical. See the by-laws again.
- Proactive attention to transition toward the next generation, empowering leaders like Beth Restrick, raised in Africa and elected as Assistant Secretary to assist us in artist expression as she does so well: http://www.glimpsesofafrica.com
- Ever closer connection with the Regional Education Coordinator, Dr. Greg Crofford, and his wife Amy, consultant on our EDUF social media. See more at: http://www.edufoundation.org/Letter_from_Dr._Greg_Crofford,_Africa_Regional_Education_Coordinator/

Expect excitement from membership and engagement in EDUF! The heart of our Regional Education Coordinator is engaged in the F.E.A.T. project. He says: The French Endowment for African Teachers (F.E.A.T.) is a scholarship fund designed to assist French-speaking Nazarene theological educators in Africa to upgrade their qualifications through further theological studies. The fund is administered by the Nazarene Foundation, a trusted partner that manages investments for many Nazarene entities.

As of early January 2015, the F.E.A.T. needs an additional $3,500.00 to reach the $10,000.00 mark, the threshold at which it will begin to generate interest that can be awarded as scholarships.

Thank you for investing in the future of the Church of the Nazarene in French-speaking Africa by investing in her theological educators, one of the church’s most valuable resources!

Crofford tells us: “Only 100 donations of $50 would put it significantly over the top. EDUF members – we can do that! Join us in giving to F.E.A.T. at:

http://app.nazarene.org/tenpercent/results.jsp?s_CategoryLongDescription=&s_Description=&catalog_ProjectListingPage=2&s_RegionName=Africa+Region&s_Name=&s_AreaName=

Or through EDUF at: https://www.paypal.com/us/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_flow&SESSION=AntziYsFGK1-NyAe1JzP5C0A0m1UxiX5lqgL4h96MDR286lpT7AM-qEpEtS&dispatch=5885d80a13c0dbf8e263663d3faee8da8649a435e198e44a05ba053bc68d12e

Expect excitement… and maybe some tears. God is leading us forward in ways that are compassionate, powerful and just plain moving!

In Christ,
Margaret Scott
I thought some may like to see photos and a little info on the African Schools and Universities. Please continue to pray for all our universities, especially those in Africa.
Nazarene Theological Institute
ITN/NTI
Academic Programs and Degrees Offered
Diploma in Theology
Certificate in Christian Ministry
Certificate in Biblical Studies
Certificate in Compassionate Ministries
Certificate in Lay Ministries
Location
Johannesburg, South Africa
Founding Date
1986
Enrollment Total as of Nov. 2012
1010
Website
www.anesa.org/ITN-NTI/

Seminário Nazareno em Moçambique
Academic Programs and Degrees Offered
Diploma in Theology
Certificate of Lay Ministry
Certificate in Biblical Studies
Certificate in Lay Ministries
Certificate in Pastoral Ministries
Location
Maputo, Mozambique
Founding Date
1954
Enrollment Total as of Nov. 2012
1784

Nazarene Bible College of East Africa
Academic Programs and Degrees Offered
Diploma in Theology
Certificate in Theology
Location
Nairobi, Kenya
Founding Date
1947
Enrollment Total as of Nov. 2012
1500
A note of thanks...

Greetings from Maputo,

May the grace of Jesus Christ be with you! I am writing this e-mail to appreciate the scholarship of $2,320.00 from EDUF for the English Course for me and my wife.

Many thanks for the support. I am sure that this investment will be of great contribution for the ministry. Our prayer is that God bless you.

In Christ,
Jonas and Thaís Sitoe

Jonas Sitoe serves as Academic Dean at the Seminário Nazareno in Mozambique.

CLA Chapter
By Bob Hebets

Christian Literature for Africa (CLA)

Be a Book Collector
You can help reach Africans for Christ by collecting Bibles and Christian books for CLA to send. Send boxes to the CLA P.O. Box address in Fort Wayne, or take them to one of our Book Collection Locations, listed below. If you have collected 50 or more boxes, call 260-486-2393 to begin to make arrangements for pick up. A donation of $10 a box is requested to help pay for shipping to Africa.

INDIANA—Fort Wayne
CLA Ministry Center- M-F 9-4
4152 Stellhorn Road, Fort Wayne, IN
260-486-2393

ILLINOIS—Kankakee
Contact: George/Norma Wood
815-939-9914

Swid Odon, In.
Odon Church of the Nazarene
633 E. Elnora St. Odon, Ind. 47562
812-636-4349 or 812-699-7369

RHODE ISLAND--Warwick
Contact: Jack/Anna Buckley
401-737-1315

OHIO-Mount Vernon
CLA Book Depot - F 1-5 & S 9-5
13248 Wooster Road, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050
740-485-4248

PENNSYLVANIA--Chambersburg
Contact: Hilber Miller
717-263-9488

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Newly Elected Officers

Dr. Peter Ken Walker, President

Dr. Margaret Scott, Vice President, Managing Partner of Northwest Chapter

Dr. Frank Ruckman, Interim Secretary, Managing Partner of Tennessee Chapter

Beth Restrick, Assistant Secretary for Artistic Development

Frank Hallum, Jr., Treasurer

Fred Otto, Assistant Treasurer

Todd Nothstine, Member At Large

Dr. Frank Ruckman, Managing Partner of Tennessee Chapter

Peter Mignor, Managing Partner of Florida Chapter

Dave Boblitt, Managing Partner of Indiana Chapter

Tom Nothstine, Managing Partner of Christian Literature for Africa (CLA) Chapter

Margaret Scott, Managing Partner of Northwest Chapter

Freddie Williams, Managing Partner of Alabama Chapter

Hilbert Miller, Managing Partner of Pennsylvania

Note: Please forward this newsletter to anyone that you think would like to hear the good news that is going on in Africa.