Trees of Compassion

A Christmas Giving Initiative | Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Canada

November 29 – December 27, 2026

Purpose

Trees of Compassion invites local Churches of the Nazarene across Canada to share Christ's love through practical acts of generosity this Christmas.

Each participating church sets up a Christmas tree with ornaments representing gifts from NCM Canada's *Gifts of Compassion Catalogue*. As gifts are given, the corresponding ornament is added to the tree, creating a visual reminder of the church's compassion in action.

At the end of December funds are sent to Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Canada with a detailed description of how the gifts are to be designated.

Together, we can build a Forest of Compassion from coast to coast to coast!

How It Works

1. **CHOOSE** – Select a gift from the NCM Canada Gifts of Compassion Catalogue.
2. **GIVE** – Make a donation toward the chosen gift through the local church.
3. **HANG** – Place the matching ornament on the church's Tree of Compassion.
4. **PRAY** – Pray for the individuals and communities being supported.

Who Can Participate?

The whole church!

Any local church ministry—NMI, NYI, NDI, Children's Ministry, Women's or Men's Ministry, or another church team—can organize the activity.

Individuals, families, children, youth, and small groups are all encouraged to participate. Each church can adapt the activity to its congregation and available resources.

Resources Provided by NCM Canada

To make participation simple, NCM Canada has prepared:

- **Printable Ornaments:** Three versions—Full Colour, Black & White, and Children's Colouring.
- **Church Flyer:** Colour and Black & White printable versions.
- **Church Service Slide:** For worship services and announcements.
- **Social Media Reel:** Posted on NCM Canada's social media pages for churches to share or repost on their own accounts.
- **Church Video:** Posted on NCM Canada's YouTube channel and website, and available upon request for use during church services or announcements.
- (tatiana@ncmcanada.ca)
  Gifts of Compassion Catalogue: Available online. Printed copies of the new catalogue have also been mailed to all our churches this fall.

Church Participation

Churches are invited to set up their Trees of Compassion during the Christmas season, encourage giving and prayer, and submit their collected donations to NCM Canada.
Cheque: “Made out to Church of the Nazarene Canada”
Mailing: 3657 Ponytrail Drive Mississauga, ON L4X 1W5
E-Transfer: churchofthenazarenecanada@gmail.com

Share Your Tree of Compassion!

We encourage participating churches to take pictures of their trees, share moments of participation, and tag **NCM Canada** on social media. Churches are also welcome to send photos directly to NCM Canada (ycristales@nazarene.ca) so we can celebrate how compassion is being shared across the country.

Participation is voluntary, and churches can organize the activity in whatever way works best for their congregation.

One Gift. One Prayer. One Act of Compassion at a Time. www.ncmcanada.ca/gifts-of-compassion

Supplies:

1. **Scissors**
2. **Hole Puncher**
3. **String**
4. **Basket (to place all your ornaments)**