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# Africa Region

# **Ethiopia**

The Church of the Nazarene began work in Ethiopia in 1992. Ethiopia, which is in the Horn of Africa, is a rugged, landlocked country split by the Great Rift Valley. It has a population of approximately 120.3 million people. The official languages are Amharic, Somali, Oromo, Tigrigna, and Afar. The country continues to experience different humanitarian crises such as drought, child malnutrition, and conflicts. Even in these difficult times, God continues to be faithful to the people in Ethiopia and is raising up people in the church to make a difference.



65,693 Members



397 Fully

Organized

Churches and 396 Not Yet Fully Organized churches across 14 districts



408 District Licensed and 73 Ordained Ministers



3 Missionaries from Ethiopia



### PRAYER

- Pray for the Somali regions of Alder, Dawa, Lban, and Shabelle, which continue to experience drought.
- Pray for God to continue calling the next generation of Ethiopian ministers.
- Pray for God to continue providing guidance and wisdom for the church leaders in Ethiopia.



### PRAISE

- We praise God for the peace agreement that was signed after many years of conflict.
- We praise God for His faithfulness to the church. We
- praise God for the missionaries who have been sent out from Ethiopia.



### Ethiopia Nazarenes celebrate unity at leadership conference



The Ethiopia National Church of the Nazarene partnered with the Creative Leadership Institute of Ethiopia for a seminar held in May 2022 that was attended by 75 representatives at the district level from around the country.

It also provided the opportunity for collaborative conversations between national ministry leaders and district superintendents as they seek to continue to develop leaders to carry the Church of the Nazarene in Ethiopia forward.

The sessions touched on the topics of evangelism, church planting, the doctrine of holiness, and the practical steps in seeking sanctification, the Wesleyan-Holiness theology, and the history and polity of the Church of the Nazarene.

Participants expressed how much the seminar opened their eyes to better understand the doctrine of holiness and the foundation of the Church of the Nazarene like never before. Many said that the seminar would help edify the church as they help share the materials and knowledge they received from their districts and local churches.

Additionally, the leaders learned about the fruits of reconciliation and the continuing efforts of healing necessitated by the ongoing Civil War in their country. They thanked God for the unity of the Ethiopian church during these difficult times.

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