

2024
Care & Connection
NMI Impact Area #5



CARE:

- Exploration of the Call on individuals lives as they feel led into missions.
- NMI facilitates interviews with church boards and servant candidates.
- District-wide Sending and Affirmation services for missionaries as they prepare to go to the field.
- Districts emphasize deputation and speaking engagements for missionaries sent from their district as well as ones LINKed to them.
- Praying for ALL Nazarene missionaries.
- Celebrating the commissioning of those missionaries who have been cared for by NMI through each step of their call.
- Welcoming missionaries who are transitioning or retiring as they return from the field.

CARE | "SEND ME"

opportunities.nazarene.org

FROM APPLICATION TO APPROVAL



CARE | PRAYER

NMI Central

NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

A weekly email publication focusing on the work of the Church of the Nazarene. Every week prayer needs and praise reports for the global ministries of the Church of the Nazarene and our servants will be listed as well as ways you can get involved. It is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and French. Subscribe at www.nazarene.org/nmi-central

CARE | Global Week of Prayer

Global Week of Prayer 2024 will be the 28th year of NMI calls the church to pray for the needs of our global churches and districts with requests gathered from the leadership from the regions.

February 26-March 3, 2024

CONNECTION:

Global connection for ALL Nazarene missionaries.

NMI's goal is to connect every district or field with every type of servant:

- Sponsored
- Global
- Retired

CONNECTION | LINKS

Links is a special program of *Care & Connection* allowing personal connections between servants and Nazarene districts around the world.

Participating servants are assigned to districts and, then on the district level, connected to local churches. This gives each church an opportunity to become personally acquainted with a servant family and their field of service. A Links relationship fosters a sense of involvement with the global missions' enterprise of the church through regular correspondence from the servants, updates from their field, and even through deputation services while the servants are on home assignment.

As of Jan 2022, active LINKS were assigned for about 18 months, until December 31, 2023. New LINKS assignments will then follow the calendar year, being announced sometime each January. Beginning in 2024 assignments will be for a **single year** and new assignments can be expected annually. **LINKS for our retired servant is a lifetime assignment.** Information is attached as well as found at <https://www.ncodistrict.org/links>.

Each August, Care & Connections | LINKS is the NMI emphasis, and ALL NCO churches are encouraged to have completed their submission of their CASH LINKS for **ACTIVE** assignments by August 31. Your options available are:

- Send a *GTS Church Remittance form* available for download at your church's FUNDING THE MISSION profile with a check made payable to **Global Treasury Services** and mail to P.O. Box 843116 Kansas City, MO 64184-3116.
- Pay online via your church's **FUNDING THE MISSION** account. Search for the servant by their last name. (**Please remember monetary gifts/Cash Links to RETIRED servants should be sent DIRECTLY to the person**)

Please make sure ncohionmi@gmail.com and missions@mvnu.edu are found in your contact lists so the information emails sent via Constant Contact are not marked as spam.

LINKS | Active
Until December 31, 2024

Joshua & Katherine Haun
Bulgaria | Eurasia Church of the Nazarene



Joshua's Birthdate: May 4, 1988

Katherine's Birthdate: May 1, 1992

Anniversary: January 1, 2011

Servant profile: <https://give.nazarene.org/pledge/jkhaun>

Email: jhaun@eurasiaregion.org and khaun@eurasiaregion.org

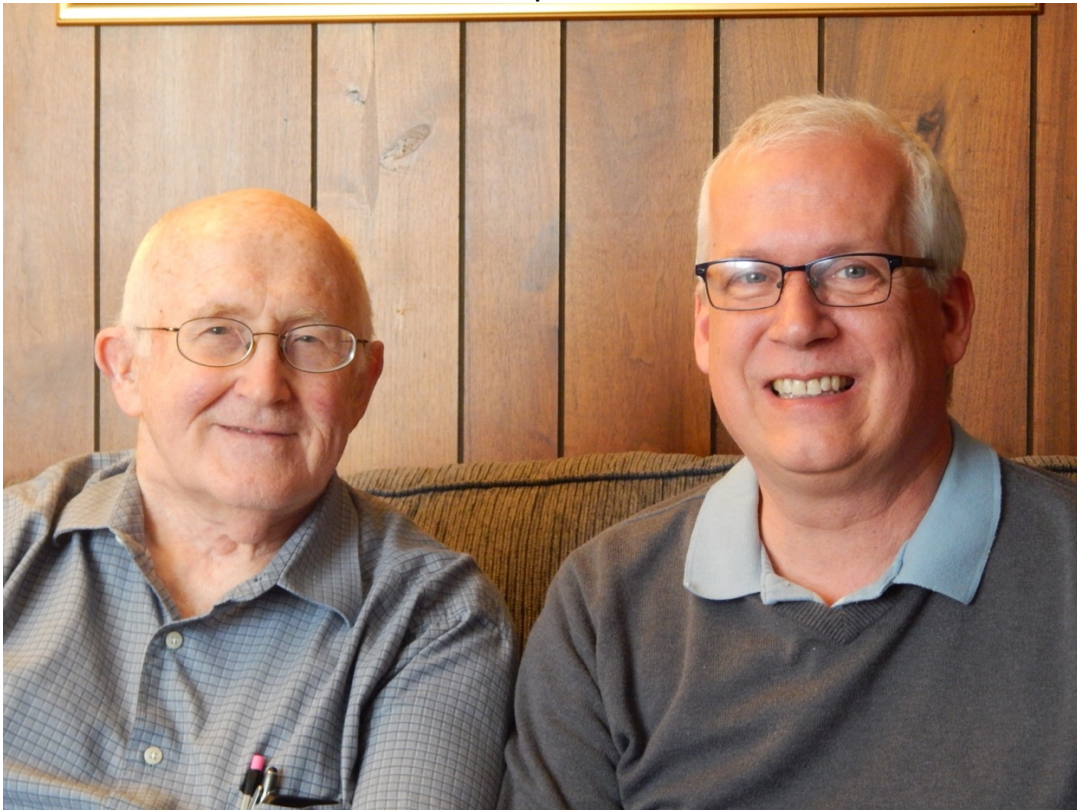
Home District: East Tennessee

This assignment will be effective until December 31, 2024.

See bio sheet in the appendix for more info, interests and prayer requests.

Cash LINKS assignments due to Global Treasurer by August 31, 2024

LINKS | Retired



Ted (left) in May 2018 during a visit at Ted's home with servant Greg Crofford(right)

Ted Esselstyn LINKS | Retired

Africa Education Regional Director

Born in Swaziland (eSwatini) on **March 7**

Served 36 years in the Field with his wife Joan.

- RSA (North Field)
- RSA (European Field)
- 1st Regional Coordinator for Education for the Africa Region
- One of the founders of Africa Nazarene University

Preferred email: gwr371t@gmail.com

Address: 213 Lakeview Heights Dr. Howard, OH 43028

Phone: 617-686-7129

Home Church: Mount Vernon Lakeholm

This assignment is a lifetime assignment.

**Cash GIFTS of any type should be mailed directly to our retired LINKS.
(NEW per 2022 Global Policy in the appendix)**

CONNECTION | NCO SENT Servants



Ben & Katherine Radcliffe

Global Servants

Nazarene General Hospital | Kudjip, Papua New Guinea
| Asia Pacific Region

Ben and Katherine, along with their children, Simeon, Matthias, Tabea, Naomi and Luka serve at Kudjip Nazarene Hospital. Ben is a general surgeon and Katherine is a family physician.

- Connect with the Radcliffe's through their blog, the Script & the Scalpel at <https://scriptandscalpel.com>
- Connect with Katherine Stevens Radcliffe via Instagram or Facebook
- www.instagram.com/katherineradcliffe
- www.facebook.com/radcliffekatherine
- Mail them a gift or card: Kudjip Nazarene Hospital, PO Box 456, Mount Hagen W.H.P. Papua New Guinea. **Do not mail monetary contributions.** Either use their profile link or contact them to see if they have a personal account for non-ministry gifts to transfer funds.
- Support their ministry via their Nazarene Profile link <https://asiapacificnazarene.org/missionary-profiles/ben-and-katherine-radcliffe/>
- Birthdates: Ben (10/14/80), Katherine (4/7/82), Simeon (5/30/12), Matthias(4/15/14), Tabea (2/8/16), Naomi(2/8/16), Luka(5/12/20). Ben & Katherine's anniversary (8/7/2004)

NCO Home Church: Mount Vernon Lakeholm

July 22, 2023: Benjamin Luke Radcliffe was issued his first district license at NCO ordination service.



Tamy Bauza

Sponsored Servant

Eastern Mediterranean Field | Eurasia Region

Tamara (or Tamy) was born in Argentina on **July 31, 1993**; but grew up in Paraguay and Mozambique where her parents served as servants through the Nazarene Church.

She is a graduate from MVNU and considers **Mount Vernon New Life her home church in the USA.**

Her assignment includes: Refugee work, helping with field finances and administration support at the Nazarene Schools on the field.

Email: abauza@eurasianazarene.org She has an e- newsletter you can subscribe to by simply emailing her at the address with your request to be added. She is also willing to skype with small groups, skype with individuals who feel called, be a penpal to a kids class or teen

If you are on Facebook, Tamy has a special group she can add you to stay connected. Simply MESSAGE Tamy via her Facebook profile requesting that she add you. She will then friend request you and add you to the special group once you become friends.

Please remember the sensitive area where she is serving when you post anything online. The term m. . . is not allowed.

GIVING SUPPORT INFORMATION: <https://give.nazarene.org/fund/atbauza>

Visit www.ncodistrict.org/in-his-service for the most up to date info on our NCO active servants. Learn more about the sending process of Nazarene Missions at www.nazarene.org/missions.

CONNECTION | Retired NCO Global Servants



Lynn & Sherri Shmidt

Asia Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary
Philippines | Asia Pacific Region
NCO Home Church: Marion First
740-383-6021
info@marionnaz.org



Jim & Kathy Radcliffe

Nazarene General
Hospital | Papua New
Guinea | Asia Pacific
NCO Home Church:
Mount Vernon
Lakeholm

740-397-1105

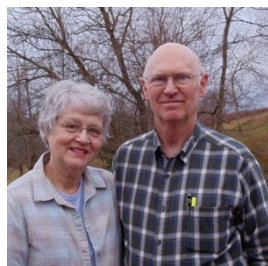
churchoffice@lakeholm.org



Bill & Gail Patch

Korea Nazarene
University | Korea | Asia
Pacific
NCO Home Church:
Bedford
440-232-7440 |

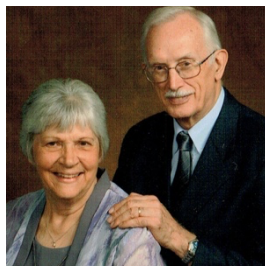
Bed.naz@bcn.org



John & Sheila Hall

NCO Home Church:
Mount Vernon New Life
740-393-0880

office@newlifenz.net



Robert (Bob) & Donna Hebets

Jesus Film Harvest
Partners
NCO Home Church:
Mount Vernon Lakeholm
740-397-1105

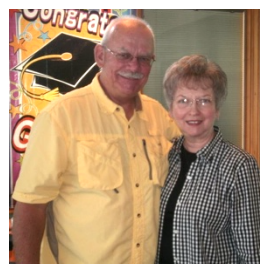
churchoffice@lakeholm.org



Janice Nielson

NCO Home Church:
Mount Vernon Lakeholm
740-397-1105

churchoffice@lakeholm.org



Claude & Sandy Sisler

NCO Home Church:
Mount Vernon First
740-392-8466 |

churchoffice@firstnaz.net

Connect with our retired servants by contacting their NCO Home church to get connected with their addresses/emails and special dates.

CONNECTION | MKs attending MVNU

Josiah Sidle | Senior | son of Gary & Penny Sidle, Zambia
Campus Box 1075984, 800 Martinsburg Rd, Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Carson Gibbons | Freshman | son of Chad & Crystal Gibbons, Eurasia
Campus Box G-2368, 800 Martinsburg Rd, Mount Vernon, OH 43050

MVNU Academic Calendar for Move in Dates, breaks, finals and Graduation to send cards and care packages available for download at
<https://www.mvnu.edu/undergraduate/academics/classsschedules>

So how does a local church make the connection with our servants?

- Make personal contact with the servants.
- Agree on the best way to communicate.
- Introduce the servant to your church.
- Learn as much as possible about the servant and the field of service.
- Share as much as possible about your church with the servant.
- Pray for each other regularly.
- Schedule a time to meet in person or via technology such as Skype, Facebook Live, etc.

Before sending parcels or gift cards, contact the servant about their wants/needs, and for specific mailing instructions. Send items directly to the servant following the given instructions to ensure best results.

Include your email address with sent items so a thank you can be returned.

Always remember the servant will know best, so please communicate with them first.

CONNECTION | Health Care

Health Care provides monies used to subsidize servant health care costs. There are several ways NCO NMI encourages all churches to participate:

- *The Memorial Roll*: a way to honor deceased friends and loved ones. A certificate is issued in the name of the person memorialized and is often presented to a family member or displayed in the church. The presenter contributes \$75 to Missionary Health Care.
- *Distinguished Service Award*: a certificate presented to an individual to recognize outstanding service to God and the church. The presenter (usually a church or district) contributes \$125 to Missionary Health Care.

- *Gifts from the Heart*: donations of any amount given to honor and/or memorialize friends and loved ones; the money is designated for Missionary Health Care.
- *Offering collected during Health Care Emphasis Month* which is traditionally in May but may be anytime that fits in the local church's calendar and/or may be incorporated into the church's Faith Promise goal.

APPENDIX:

- Cash Links suggested minimums for each servant per church.
- 2022 Global LINKS Policy

Cash LINKS ACTIVE assignments due to Global Treasurer by August 31.
Cash LINKS RETIRED assignments sent directly to the servant at any time but no later than December 31.

<i>Minimum Amount per EACH Links family</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Minimum TOTAL amount assigned per church</i>
\$20	Bucyrus First & Upper Sandusky & Carey campuses Marion First & Kensington Campus Wooster	\$40
\$10	Amherst The River Ashland Bedford Burton North East Community CLE Hope United Coshocton Crestline Delaware Newstart Elyria Community Fremont Galion Real Life Jefferson Kelloggsville Mount Gilead Fresh Faith Mount Vernon First & Dios Es Suficiente Mount Vernon Lakeholm Mount Vernon New Life Painesville Orrville NOW Church Sandusky Community Sunbury	\$20

\$10	The Ridge Ashtabula & Geneva Wadsworth Willard	\$20
\$5	Andover Cherry Valley Ashtabula Edgewood Brunswick CLE Aviva CLE Garfield Heights CLE Nueva Luz CLE Victory Cardington Cooperdale Eastlake Willo-lake Fostoria First Lexington Loudonville Mansfield Heart City Medina Marion Life Link Mount Vernon The Shepherd's House North Royalton State Road Community Shelby Tiffin Vermillion West Lafayette Westlake Parkside	\$10
\$2.50	Clyde CLE Arabic Grafton Harvest Fellowship Grafton Nueva Luz Sullivan Orwell Resurrection Life Strongsville Centered Life Warsaw	\$5.00
<i>Minimum Amount per EACH Servant family</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Minimum TOTAL amount assigned per church</i>

***Remember only our active Links servant have Cash links sent to their ministry accounts at the Global Treasury/Funding the Servant.
Our Retired LINKS servant has his sent directly to him anytime but at least as a Christmas gift.***

GLOBAL LINKS POLICY

ADOPTED GLOBAL NMI EXECUTIVE COUNCIL – 28 JANUARY, 2022

Purpose

Links is a Nazarene Missions International (NMI) system to assist districts in providing care and connection to Nazarene servants.

Global Scope

Each region, through the sending district, provides care and connection to Nazarene servants sent from their region. Links provides additional care and connection to globally deployed servants who are deployed from your region and other regions. Only servants assigned through the Links system, should be referred to as Links servants. Links assignments are made by global NMI in consultation with the regional NMI coordinator.

Global, Sponsored, and Retiree Servant Involvement

- Care and connection is provided to every global and sponsored Nazarene servant who is on contract with Global Missions, by their home district.
- Retired servants, who meet Global Missions requirements as a retiree, are provided care and connection by their home district.
- Globally deployed servants are eligible to be assigned to any district in the Church of the Nazarene for additional care and connection through Links.

Global Process & Procedures

- Assignment: The Links connection is between a district/country/field and the servant. Local churches should work with the district to care for their servants including those assigned through Links. Globally assigned servants must respond to the global NMI office by the deadline given to participate in Links. It is possible that not every globally deployed servant will receive a Links assignment each year.
- Assignment Length: All assignments are one year in length and will be from January 1 – December 31 each year regardless of the fiscal/church year. Districts, whose Links assigned servant end their Global Missions contract by September 1, will receive another Links assignment for the remainder of that Links year.
- Monetary Gifts: Any monetary gifts for servants through Links, will be processed through the servant's deputation account. Gifts to retired servants must be given directly to them.
- Participation: It is anticipated that each Links participant (district/country/field and servant) will:
 - Pray for each other
 - Communicate with each other at least three times a year
 - The district/country/field will invite the Links servant to speak at events-in person or online



NCO LINKS | January 1-December 31, 2024

Last Name	Haun	Name	Joshua	Birthdate	May 4, 1988
Spouse's Name	Katherine (Katie)	Anniversary	January 1, 2011	Spouse Birthdate	May 1, 1992
Field	Bulgaria, Central Europe Field, Eurasia	First Language	English	Other Languages	Bulgarian

Home Assignment	Field
Dates: Summer 2025	I can receive Packages: Yes
Address: 1400 Riley Drive Lenoir City, Tennessee,	Address: Joshua and Katherine Haun
Cards can be mailed here throughout the year Joshua's brother and sister-in-law take pictures and send them to us if churches don't want to mail internationally.	Ulitsa Nikola Krushkin-Cholaka 23 1407 Sofia, Bulgaria (please see the attached image about sending packages)
Home Phone: WhatsApp	Field phone: J: +359 888 169149 K: +359 888 069149 WhatsApp, Viber and Signal texting apps
Home Email:	Field email1: jhaun@eurasiaregion.org
Newsletter Sign Up Link: https://us2.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=b1bbde8f9b80476529ceef0dd&id=24b2f7f8d3 Check out previous newsletters and subscribe to the newsletter here!	Field email2: khaun@eurasiaregion.org
Blog Address: https://www.servinginsofia.org	
Home District: East Tennessee	Skype Address: We do not use Skype, but we video chat using WhatsApp, Zoom and Facebook Messenger
Facebook Pages: www.facebook.com/eurasiaregion www.facebook.com/CentralEuropeField https://www.facebook.com/servinginsofia https://www.facebook.com/katiebhaun	Field Website: https://www.eurasiaregion.org/fields/central-europe-field/bulgaria/ https://www.eurasiaregion.org/news/
Instagram: www.instagram.com/eurasiaregion/ https://www.instagram.com/katiebhaun/	Missionary Profile: https://give.nazarene.org/pledge/jkhaun
Youtube/Vimeo: www.youtube.com/c/ChurchoftheNazareneEurasiaRegion https://www.youtube.com/@servinginsofia1627	

Children (Birth through age 18)

First Name	Sex (M or F)	Birthday	School Uniform worn (yes/no)	Desire a Pen Pal (Yes or No)
Jude Ezra	M	4/19/18	No	They cannot write at this age but love to receive cards, letters, colored pictures, etc. from churches and kids' their age
Kaitlyn (Kate) Elizabeth	F	11/28/19	No	
Levi Asher	M	12/24/22	No	

Please give a brief description of each family member’s responsibilities/activities on the field:

Our role in Sofia is to plant churches. There are no other Nazarene churches in or around Sofia. We have started one church in our home. Joshua is the lead pastor, for now, of this church. We aim to hand that over to a native Bulgarian when a leader is developed. Katie leads the children’s church. Joshua is an adjunct faculty of European Nazarene College. Katie is in charge of all of the missionary finances in Bulgaria. Joshua also serves on the Bulgarian NCM Board and the District Advisory Board for Bulgaria. Katie is also on the track to ordination and is in the midst of an 18-month program through Trevecca Nazarene University to receive a degree in Christian Ministry. Jude and Kaitlyn also serve in Bulgaria by attending school, making friends, and learning Bulgarian. Most of our friendships thus far have derived from the kids’ schooling. We have said from the beginning of this calling that God called us as a family. We try to involve the kids as much as possible.

Provide a few “Get acquainted” fact about each family member; i.e. Hobbies, favorite sports, teams, food, interests etc.

Family Member	Who are you? What do you like to do? Eat? etc.
Joshua	Joshua is a history lover. You can often find him reading two or three books at a time. He is a big Nashville SC soccer fan and roots for Tennessee football teams. He enjoys hiking in the beautiful mountains of Bulgaria. He loves coffee and Bulgarian pastries. Joshua also loves music. He can play piano and guitar and dabbles in a few other instruments. There is always music playing in our home.
Katherine (Katie)	Katie loves to bake. She enjoys hosting people in her home. She loves flowers and all the colors of the seasons! She loves to decorate our home. Katie enjoys spending time with friends and shopping for her children. Katie loves chocolate desserts, pasta, and Mexican foods.
Jude	Jude loves all things with wheels! Bicycles and scooters, Hot Wheels, monster trucks, remote control vehicles, and more! He likes to color and read books together. He is currently enrolled in a Taekwondo class and plays Soccer and Basketball in his school’s extra-curricular activities. He is energetic and loves hiking with his Daddio in the mountains. He has made it to the peak of three Bulgarian Mountains and hiked many more trails. Jude loves playing with Kate and helping take care of his baby brother. Jude’s favorite foods are biscuits, Mexican, hotdogs and pizza.
Kate	Kaitlyn is a girl’s girl! She loves baby dolls, Disney Princesses, pretend makeup, stickers, stamps, and playdough, and playing in her kitchen. She is the mama to her baby Levi and is a compassionate friend to those she meets! She is more fluent in Bulgarian than most of us and corrects us when our accent is off. She loves to help Mama bake. She loves to have books read to her and loves coloring! Kaitlyn has begun Ballet and is enjoying making new friends there. Kaitlyn loves to eat broccoli, spaghetti, and all sweets.
Levi	Levi enjoys eating and playing! He constantly wants snacks and food. He loves to be snuggled and for someone to play on the floor with him. His favorite toys are 2 pieces of Kate’s kitchen food: the corn on the cob and the chicken leg! He also like to play with Jude’s trucks that move on their own. He crawls everywhere and likes to play games with Mama and Daddio to see just how much trouble he can find when we turn our head. He loves to smile, waves, blows kisses, and gives high 5s! Levi’s favorite foods are scrambled eggs, pancakes, fruit, yogurt and baby puff snacks.

Please list some possible gift suggestions for each family as well as preferred organizations for gift cards.

Family Member	Gift Ideas	Preferred Gift Cards
Joshua	Nashville Soccer Club items, coffee syrup, Nazarene Institution Swag (TNU and NTS ALUM 😊)	We are only able to use Amazon gift cards here in Bulgaria. There are no comparable stores in Bulgaria that accept US gift cards. We have discovered that we can use Amazon Global to ship to Bulgaria. We can also use these for Kindle books.
Katherine	Colorful pens/sharpiers, Italian dressing seasoning packets, taco seasoning, ranch seasoning, garlic salt, Twizzlers, and seasonal tea towels.	
Jude	Hot Wheels, vehicle coloring books, stickers, superheroes, Cheese-Its, Peanut butter crackers, and goldfish	
Kate	Rice Krispie Treats, gummies, Disney Princess and Frozen coloring books, playdough, bubbles, chalk	
Levi	Teethers, toy cars, diapers and wipes (😊), baby snacks, and board books.	

Please list some prayer requests/praises you would like our district to focus on this year.

- The Home Church- the church plant meeting in our home
 - Deepening of relationship with Christ
 - New believers
 - Leadership from within the congregation
 - Lay leadership retreats
 - Children's Department
 - A desire for attendees to want to become members of the Church of the Nazarene.
- Bulgaria
 - The district is currently classified as a District in Crisis.
 - Leadership transitions within our District
 - Bulgarian laws and regulations that permit us to minister freely.
- Personal
 - Jude and Kaitlyn's school for 2024-2025 school year – they will likely be moving to a new school
 - Katie's classes at TNU
 - Language development for us all
 - Levi's health and growth
 - Joshua as he preaches in Bulgarian each week.
 - Family in Tennessee.

<p>WANT TO SEND US A CARD OR PACKAGE?</p> <h1>THE HAUN'S ADDRESS</h1>
<p>JOSHUA & KATHERINE HAUN UL. NIKOLA KRUSHKIN-CHOLAKA 23 1407 SOFIA BULGARIA</p>
<p>A FEW THINGS TO NOTE WHEN SENDING A PACKAGE:</p> <p>Please include our phone number on the packing slip: +359 88 8069149</p> <p>Please mark that it is a gift so that we are not required to pay import tax on the items.</p> <p>When sending a package if they ask the value of the package write \$30. The more valuable the package seems the more likely it'll be opened before we receive it.</p> <p>And finally, although we love surprises, please let us know you have sent something and provide us with the tracking number when you send it so we can plan to receive the package on delivery day</p>

Information available for download at

<https://www.ncodistrict.org/links>