



HOW CAN A DISTRICT NMI
COUNCIL HELP OUR
DISTRICT PARTICIPATE IN
GOD'S MISSION?

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 - **Help people to overcome inertia**

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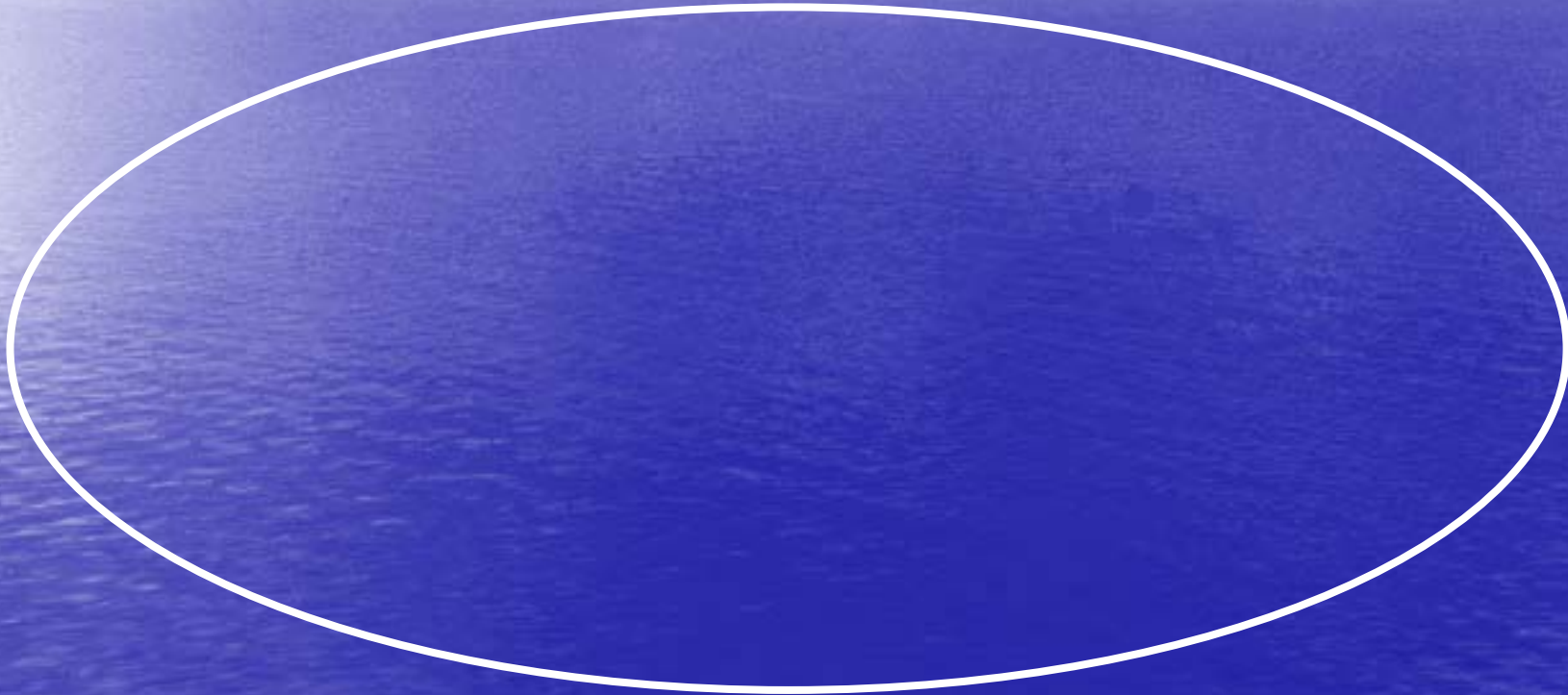
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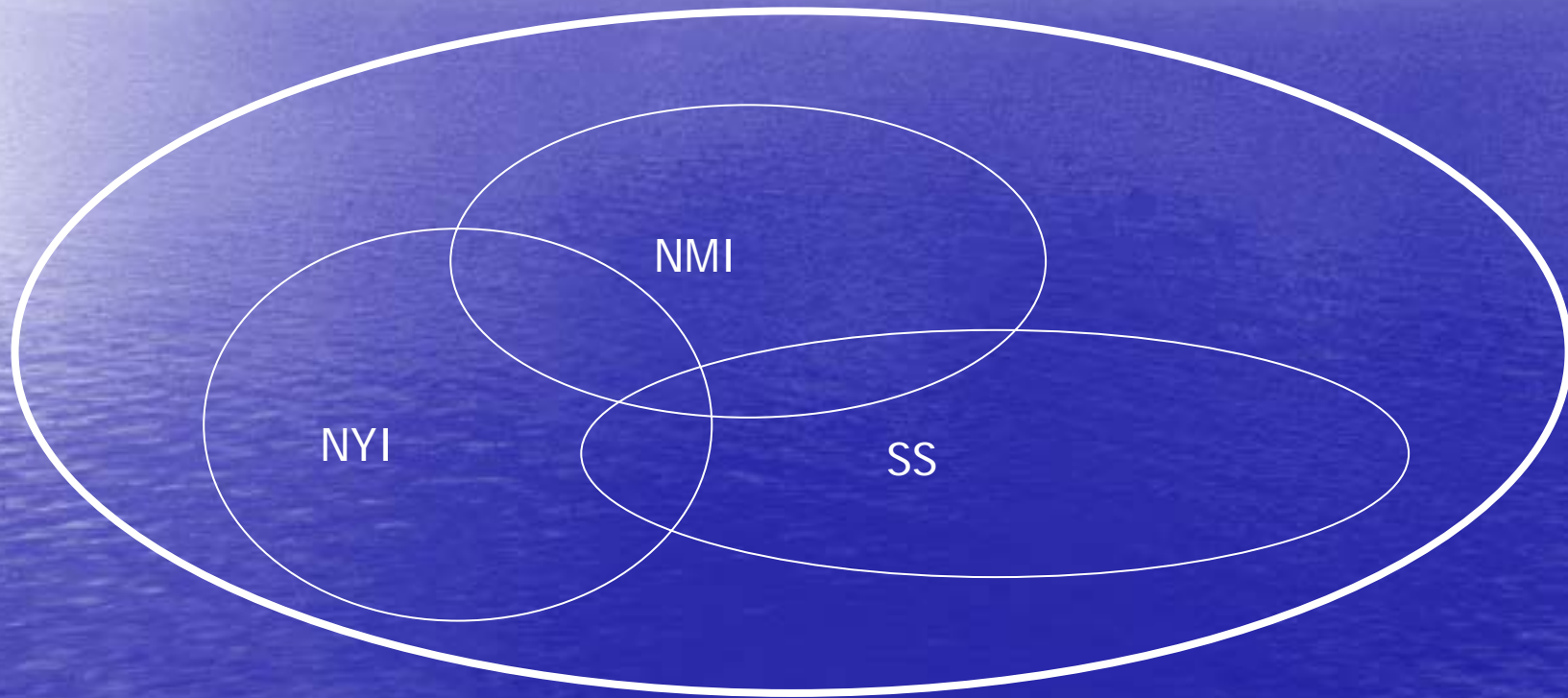
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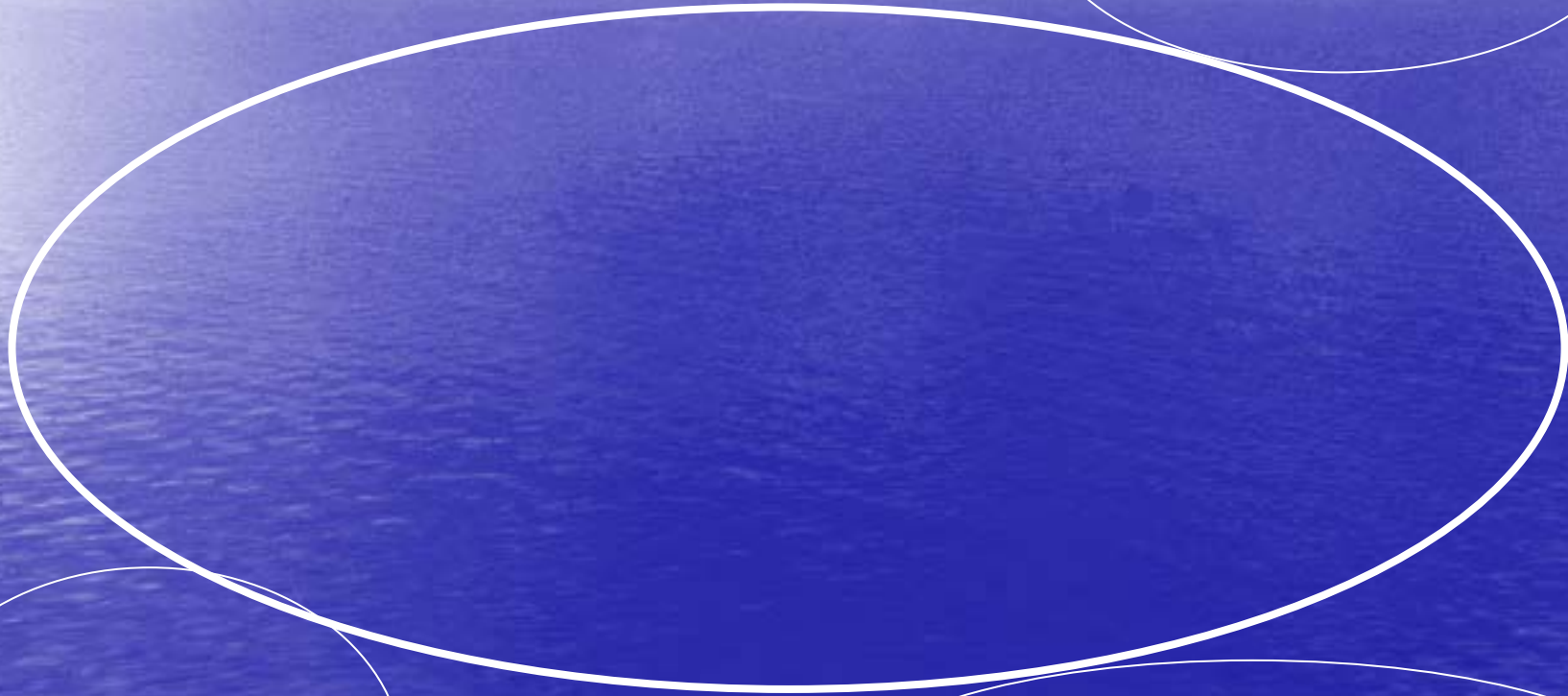
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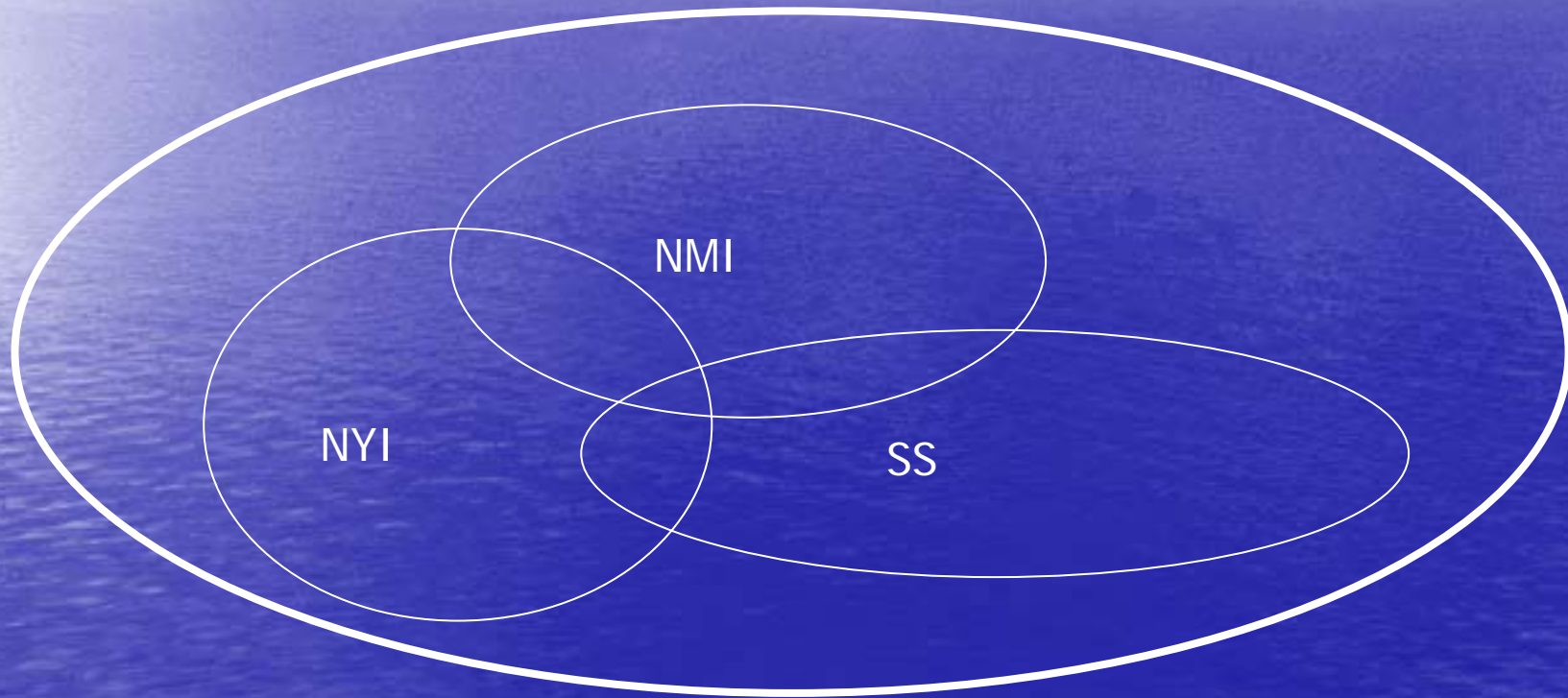
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THE NMI IS BOTH **CENTRAL** AND

ESSENTIAL TO THE MISSION OF THE

NAZARENE CHURCH AT ALL LEVELS, LOCAL,

DISTRICT AND GENERAL

WHERE DOES NMI FIT IN THE CHURCH?

- God's mission is achieved through the local church
- NMI happens in the local church

WHAT IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS OF THE NMI AT LOCAL AND DISTRICT LEVEL?

A Pastor committed to support NMI is key to the success of NMI in the local church

A DS committed to support NMI is key to the success of NMI on the District

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE DISTRICT NMI?

- FACILITATE

- To act as a transforming pipeline between the General NMI and the Local NMI

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GENERAL NMI



LOCAL NMI

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EXAMPLE 1

- The Thanksgiving Offering
- Taken in the USA at the time of Thanksgiving (November)
 - Change it to be taken at a time when your culture has a time of thanksgiving
 - In the UK – Harvest Festival
- Raise the money your way

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EXAMPLE 2

- WORK and WITNESS
 - 'My church is not large enough to be involved in Work and Witness'
 - 'My church cannot raise the funds for a Work and Witness team'

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE DISTRICT NMI?

- ANSWER: Work together
 - Organise a District Team funded by all churches on the District
 - Enables those from small churches to join in
 - Individuals can sponsor those from other churches
 - Start by working on a project on your District

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EXAMPLE 3

- YOUTH IN MISSION
 - 'That is a North American programme – we could never do that'

WHY SHOULD WE?

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EXAMPLE 3

- YOUTH IN MISSION
 - Change the name?
 - Start small
 - Use youth teams for District projects
 - Let them catch the missions vision
 - Use adult sponsors to disciple and encourage
 - Slowly develop with adult support to international teams within the Region
 - Sub-team of an adult team

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WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE DISTRICT NMI?

To **inspire** the local NMIs on your District to **motivate** the churches to be involved in Nazarene missions by **facilitating** the use of General NMI programmes to 'do missions' in ways appropriate to the local churches on your District **to achieve more than the Local NMIs can do alone.**

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To mobilise the church in mission through praying,
discipling, giving and educating

**DO IT IN WAYS RELEVANT TO YOUR
CHURCH / DISTRICT USING
RESOURCES FROM GENERAL NMI**