

## FUNDRAISING IDEAS

### >> Fruit of the Spirit Jars

The Fruit of the Spirit is an indwelling and manifestation of the character of Jesus. There are nine Fruits of the Spirit that are important to Godly character and we have a lifetime to develop these.

It all starts with the **love** of God from here we develop **joy, peace, patience, gentleness, kindness, faithfulness, humility** and **self-control**. We were all developed in His likeness. These fruits are for all!

Decorate a jar with the Fruits of the Spirit inside, each morning, reach into the jar and retrieve and Fruit of the Spirit label. Be mindful during the day of that character particular trait, meditate on it and when the opportunity arises, share that fruit with others.

#### **Activity:**

Decorate jars using paper, ribbon, sparkles and paint with young adults. Enjoy a craft session together or ask your congregation members to make up the jars in their spare time.

Inside the jars make nine tags with the Fruits of the Spirit.

Host a Sunday stall and during May Mission Month sell the jars as a fundraiser.

### >> Sunday Skip Off

Hold a Sunday skipping competition where members of the church to pledge 5 or 10 or 20 cents for every skip of a particular team. The funds can be given to support ministry among a particular people group, cross-cultural worker or project. Skipping rope is fun, keeps you fit and entertains people of all ages. Do it solo or do it in teams of three or more (two on either end of the rope and one or more skippers).

Keep count of every team's skips, with each skip raising support for Global Interaction's ministry.

It's survival of the fittest, and after all of the fun is over, keep on skipping – it's good for you!

### >> Sunday Sausage Sizzle.

It's hard to resist the smell of snags on the barbie, so why not hold a sausage sizzle fundraiser during May to raise funds to support a Global Interaction candidate, cross-cultural worker or project?

With the barbeque outside, you could create a marketplace in the foyer of the church, with market stalls containing info/items from your focus country or people group – people could be encouraged to buy an item, or buy information about the people group from the stall holders.

### >> Auction of Church Member's Skills

Ask people to donate their time and talents (eg. a day's work from a tradesman, craft lessons from someone in your craft group, a day's cleaning or gardening by the youth group, ironing, painting, mending clothes, dog-washing or walking, babysitting etc etc).

Ask others how much they will pay for the member's time and talents, with the funds contributing to your church's May Mission Month giving.

### >> Trivia Night

Set the church up as a another country (your focus area), and have people buy mock airline tickets to come along. On arrival, greet them in a small area set up as an airport gate lounge and then escort them into the building. Once inside, you can host whatever event you want to (dinner, auction, marketplace, or use one of our interactive activity resources from our website)

