**Ideas for Promoting NMI Offerings and Events**

***Notes from Convention Workshop “Creative $$$: Shooting for Boardwalk in a Mediterranean Avenue World”***

**World Evangelism Fund (WEF)**

Give extra weeks to collect offering. Can be Easter, Thanksgiving offerings. 5.5% of income of Church.

Faith Promise helps – spreads giving throughout the year.

Thanksgiving Offering – Turkey Trot for kids. Prepare kids course (laps area). Have kids collect pledges per lap or for participating in Turkey Trot. Is a way to involve the kids so that they can give.

Easter Offering – Furniture Refurbishing Project. A gifted carpenter found a piece of junk furniture. Each week he would bring it in with a little more work done to it (refurbishing) until on Easter the beautiful finished piece was revealed. At an appointed time soon after, an “auction”/fellowship would be held to sell the piece, with the proceeds going to the Easter Offering.

Same kind of thing has been done with an art piece and a talented artist’s donation of time/supplies. Each week a little more would be done on the painting / drawing until the big reveal on Easter.

**World Mission Broadcast**

Skit – family sitting around radio each week leading up to offering. One week, 1 minute of silence. Next week 2 minutes of silence. Giving toward minutes of radio. In that time of silence it’s time someone could be hearing the Word!

**Nazarene Compassionate Ministries**

Children take offering in construction hats. Opportunity for children to participate – fun touch

Church sponsor a child.

Catalog to purchase chicken, goats for a needy family in another country. Pray for that family.

School Pal Pak – serves 2 people. Goal: 20 Contest between boys & girls (involve children)

Crisis Care Kits – Divide list of items by 4. Advertise Crisis Care Kits and put 2 items from list in the bulletin each week. Have a table [somewhere] for collection. Then at the end of each month or end of the drive, have an intergenerational event with an adult and a child teaming up to pack a bag.

Christmas Tree – Crisis Care Kit bags … bag with list – family takes one bag and puts it under the tree when filled

**Alabaster**

Box march to front of the church to empty boxes (or deposit Alabaster offering) in large church with an opening.

**Jesus Film**

 Every time you watch a movie donate to the Jesus Film jar at home.

**Projects to involve teens:**

HyVee bagging groceries for a mission project

Youth group sponsors a child (Compassionate Ministries)

Bake Sale or Garage Sale for a mission project. One church does 2 garage sales a year. “Time, Talent, Treasures”

**Other Notes:**

Donate gloves & hats 7 loaves?

Art auction (Point of Change)

Warm Baby Kits

Road to Emmaus … cover a picture – place bricks in front of picture. Each brick is an amount. Remove bricks as funds are collected to reveal picture.

Creative Access – “Jail” pray

Dress up taking the offering (Eleanor)