

Some thoughts on raising support for volunteer ministry



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**You're Not Going Anywhere
Until You've
Raised Your
Support**



Let's take the fear out of
fund raising



Why people will give to you



- z They want to serve the Lord
- z They are generous
- z They have been waiting for someone to do what you are doing
- z You articulate your vision well
- z They think you are facing a challenge with great courage

Relationships will be the focus of your missions experience memories

- z You'll bring back lots of memories.
- z Make relationships -- not getting money -- the focus of what you do before you go.

Think relationships -- before as well as during your missions trip

- z Don't spend pre-trip time focused on money (or your lack of it).
- z Focus on creating a network of prayer supporters.

Share your vision, dream, and call



You need to be *friend-raising*,
not fund-raising.

“There’s no shortage of
donors. The shortage is
of passionate, thrilling
vision.”

Creating the network God will use to provide your financial support

- z 1. Confess your dependence upon God.
- z 2. Make a long list of addresses
 - x Friends and family members
 - x Church and district leaders
 - x Anyone interested in you and/or the lives of those you'll touch

Coming up with your financial support



- z 3. Create a mailer in which you share your dream
 - x Be specific
 - x Put a photo of yourself on the letter
 - x You need not ask for money outright, but tell them of your financial needs.
 - x Ask them to join you in prayer for your finances. Tell them where money should be sent. These gifts are tax-deductible if channeled through a church.

Coming up with your financial support



z 4. Follow up

- x Give God time to work. Don't start strong and then give up right away.
- x Use the phone
- x Offer to speak briefly in Sunday services, in Sunday school classes, in weeknight services

Key thoughts:



Make “raising support” mean creating a network of prayer supporters (and not just getting the necessary money)

Key thoughts:



Your volunteer ministry increases the effectiveness of every missions dollar.

Be a vocal supporter of the Nazarene World Evangelism Fund.

Don't view yourself as
begging for money.



You are allowing people to do
what God has already called
them to do:

Give.

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