



My Bible, My Story Putting the FUN in fundraising

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If you love the Bible and would like to share it with others, check-out our [A-Z of fundraising ideas](#).

Once you've decided what you're doing, set up an online sponsor form at [JustGiving](#). And let us know what you're planning by emailing us at volunteers@biblesociety.org.uk.

Download our simple [Risk Assessment form](#) for a sociable event such as a coffee morning, meal or quiz.

Happy fundraising!

A

Auction of talents, time, or household goods you no longer need. Apple bobbing. Art exhibition. Afternoon tea. Abseil. *Antiques Roadshow*.

B

Bungee jump. Bible-reading marathon. Baby photos. Bring and buy sale. Barbecue. Balloon race. Barn dance. Babysitting. Book sale.

C

Car wash. Cake stall. Crafts exhibition. Curry night. Coffee morning. Crochet display. Concert. Classic car show. Cookery demo. Caption competition. Car boot sale.

Judith and Andrew Purton recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary and decided to donate £25 to 25 different charities that have played a part in their life together. Bible Society was one organisation to benefit from the couple's generosity, as well as other medical, family and international development charities.

D

Dance evening. Darts match. Dog who looks most like its owner. Plastic duck race. Debate.

E

Environment day. Easter party. Shave your eyebrows. Egg and spoon race.

F

Fashion parade. Film night. Face painting. Football match. Firework evening. Fancy dress. Fun run.

Roy Moody celebrated his 80th birthday in style, by walking all 28 miles of the Mary Jones Challenge with wife Rosemary. The intrepid couple raised £2,700, enough to buy more than 500 Bibles for refugees from the Middle East.

G

Garden party. Guided nature walk. Gunge tank. Gardening. Give out £10, raise £100.

H

Hat sale or parade. Wacky hairdos. Household sale.

I

International dinner. Ice cream-making competition. Ironing offers.

Thirty hungry individuals turned up for a Bible Society Action Group meeting in Wellington and were rewarded with a feast of home-cooked Chinese food. The Action Group choose a country to support each year, invite a Bible Society speaker and cook up a spread of local treats which people pay to enjoy. Previous years have featured Ethiopian, Turkish and Sudanese cuisine – and this year was Chinese!

J

Jewellery making workshop. Just giving. Jazz night. Jelly eating. Jam making.

K

Karaoke. Knitting. *It's a Knockout*.

L

Litter picking. 'Ladies who lunch' day. Left-handed day. Loose change collection. Look-alike competition.

CoFE minister Corinne Brixton has dedicated the proceeds from her first novel, Through Martha's Eyes, to Bible Society. The book tells the imagined back-story of Martha and her encounter with Jesus, and is packed with historical and cultural details which bring the Bible to life. Corinne, now a full-time carer for her mother, said, 'I started on the book about four years ago. It came out of a desire to help people understand the Bible better – people who might never pick up a commentary.' The book costs £8.99 and is available online. Corinne added, 'I didn't write Through Martha's Eyes for income, and it's given me an extra joy to be able to give to Bible Society through it.' You can buy a copy (with the proceeds going to Bible Society) at troubador.co.uk.

M

Make a money box (and fill it). Musical event. Midsummer ball. Marshmallow eating. Down memory lane.

N

Name the doll/baby/teddy. New house party. Non-uniform day. Night-time walk.

O

Open house/garden. Outrageous tie day. Online shopping.

A farmer in Jersey raised more than £1,000 after selling off his strawberries for Bible Society. Gary Barette, who's been growing strawberries for a number of years and sells through markets and wholesalers, had an exceptionally good harvest in 2017. The last of his punnets were snapped up for £1 each at the local car boot sale. Gary said, 'The sun was shining, and the strawberries were half the normal price so they sold very quickly! I was blessed with a good crop, we sold everything, and raised some money to do good.'

P

Photo competition. Pancake toss. Pet parade. Plant sale. Puppet show. Poetry evening.

Q

Quiz. Quintessentially (insert your town's name). Quit something.

R

Rowing machine competition. Ramble. Recipe book. Race night. Radio DJ competition.

Bible Society Church Partnership Associate in Jersey, Cathy Morling, staged a 12-hour Spoken Word Marathon in her local church – and read all the way from Luke to Hebrews. Standing on a small stage in the corner of St Helier Methodist Church Centre, Cathy paused every 30 minutes to show a Bible Society video. She raised more than £250 to provide Bibles, and said afterwards, 'It was powerful reading from Scripture all day – an incredibly moving journey. My voice was fine, legs tired, heart deeply warmed and soul fit to burst.'

S

Sponsored walk, run, triathlon. Shave your head, legs, chest. Snail racing. Sky dive. Sewing. Shoe polish. Scrabble.

T

Treasure hunt. Talent evening. Toy sale. Tuck shop.

U

University (or school) Challenge. Used stamps. Unwanted presents. Wear your underwear outside your clothes.

The incredible Hand-Knitted Bible – 33 scenes from the Bible beautifully presented in wool – spent eight days on show at Bellingham Methodist/URC Church and raised more than £1,000 for Bible Society. Hundreds of people travelled from miles around to see the display, and dropped their donations in a jar. The exhibition tours churches all over the country, and is fully booked throughout 2018. To invite the Hand-Knitted Bible to your church, contact Alan Woodhall on 01429 277176.

V

Vegetable-growing competition. Vegetarian evening. Volleyball competition.

W

Window cleaning. Wine tasting. Walks. Wine and cheese. Wear something white/upside down/from childhood.

X

X Factor-themed evening.

Y

Yodelling competition. Say 'Yes' day.

Z any

Everything – dress, events, food, modes of travel.

Our sincerest thanks go to all our fundraisers, volunteers and donors. We are inspired to hear your stories of supporting Bible Society, and we love to know what motivates you. Every Bible you help to place into someone's hands can change their life, for good. Thank you! Please contact us at volunteers@biblesociety.org.uk