**Young Adult Fund Raising Ideas and Letter**

**Young Adult Convo**

**Brazen and Blazin’ … Being Bohemian in 2023**

1. Request funding from donors.
2. Create a list of possible donors with names and addresses. Letters may be sent to your local congregational groups, close, personal friends, and family, and ***with the permission of your church leadership***, members of your congregation who are close personal friends and or family. The church mailing list should be utilized only to verify addresses of close friends. Use the sample Fundraising Letter attached to compose your letter.
3. Design and sell a T-Shirt via Facebook.

c. Establish a Go-Fund-Me page.

1. Plan a church wide fundraising event (car wash, spaghetti dinner, etc.). Check with your

pastor or Board of Elders before proceeding.

e. Other? Please run it by a member of the **2023 Young Adult Convo Planning Team:**

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 2. All checks are to be made payable to **“Convo 2023” with your name listed on the memo line and mailed to:**

Convo 2023

Commission on Congregational Development

459 S. Church St.

Winston Salem, NC 27101

**Checks should not be made out to you personally.** The donor should write your name and on the “memo/for” line to ensure that you get credit for the donation towards your Convo 2023 registration fee.

3. In your letter, be sure to indicate the date by which you need these funds to be donated.

4. About cash donations: **Please encourage all donations to be made by check.**

5. Include a self-addressed donor envelope with your fundraising letters, as follows:

1. Address the donor envelope to:

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1. Place **Convo 2023** on the bottom left-hand corner on the back of the donor envelope.

c. **Your name** should appear on the back bottom right hand corner of the donor

 envelope.

This is a safeguard for you and better helps those collecting funds to properly credit the donation.

**SAMPLE FUNDRAISING LETTER**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

I am thrilled and feel blessed that I have been given the opportunity to participate in Young Adult Convo, July 3 – 11, 2023. I will be joining a group of more than 50 young adults from both the Northern, Southern, and Jamaican Provinces. Along with fellow participants, I am now preparing myself physically and spiritually for this Spiritual Pilgrimage. Young Adult Convo will take place in the Czech Republic and Germany. Our group will follow the Brazen and Blazin’ footsteps of the early Moravians and serve in mission with Czech Young Adults. While there I will be building partnerships with Moravian sisters and brothers from the above provinces and from the Czech Republic and Germany. As a disciple of Christ, I look forward to serving others and experiencing the rich history of the early Moravian Church, as well as making the most of this opportunity to impact my personal spiritual journey. I am excited to see Moravian history come alive one step at a time and to serve those in need in the Czech Republic. Most of all, I want to put my faith into action as a Brazen and Blazin’ Moravian.  *(You may want to personalize this).*

The cost of Young Adult Convo is $2,650.00(USD). In addition to what I can provide myself for this cost, I am trusting God to help provide for the expense through congregational groups, friends, and family members. If you would like to help me with the expense, I would be deeply grateful. Should I raise more than the registration fee of $2,650.00(USD), the additional funds will go towards Convo’s chosen mission project in the Czech Republic.

Should you be able and feel led to help me participate in Young Adult Convo 2023, please make checks payable to Convo 2023 and using the self-addressed stamped envelope enclosed mail it to:

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I recommend a gift of $50, $100, or $150, but of course any amount is more than welcome. Contributions will be accepted beginning July 15, 2022, and will continue to be accepted through May 1, 2023. All contributions are tax deductible.

Whether or not you can help financially, please be a prayer partner for me as I prepare and engage in this unique Moravian Spiritual Journey. *(Add, pray for … list some ways folk can pray for you and or the team. Ask for email address to send pray updates, etc.)*

Love in Christ,

*(Your signature)*