

## Hats Off to Faith Promise

Have a Faith Promise banquet with a hat theme. Decorate the tables with colorful hats as centerpieces. Make colorful placemats for the tables with this matching game. (Provide a pencil at each place setting.) This is a fun way to entertain and also provides a demonstration of what Faith Promise giving toward World Evangelism Fund provides.

Have a hat fashion show. Make colorful hats to correspond with the items of Faith Promise and missions, for example:

LINKS Hat—Decorate with chain links, birthday candles, ribbons

Missionary Christmas Fund Hat—Decorate with tinsel, miniature bulbs, garland

World Evangelism Broadcast Hat—Decorate with miniature radios, televisions, microphones, computers, satellites

Work & Witness Hat—Decorate with miniature hammer, saw, measuring tape

Medical Plan Hat—Use a surgeon's cap or nurse's cap and decorate with band-aids, empty medicine bottles, stethoscope, cotton balls

Missionary Salaries Hat—Decorate with dollar bills, coins, etc.

Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Hat—Decorate with rice in bags, toy food items

For the fashion show script, go to the NMI web site <[www.nazarenemissions.org/faithpromise](http://www.nazarenemissions.org/faithpromise)>.

"Hats Off to Faith Promise" (adapted from a skit presented in the *Focus* )

(Decorate the hats according to the theme of the hat example: Salaries; use lots of play money; Cash Christmas, use Christmas decorations; Literature, use crayons, pencils, and top it off with an apple on the top of the hat; Cash Links, decorate hat with links of chain; Building, decorate with tools; Radio Grants, use toy radios; Medical Plan, cover with band-aids, cotton balls; Compassionate Ministries, rice in bags, small toy food items. Also on the hats use flowers, ribbons, and bows to make them more attractive.)

Hostess: As sure as autumn follows summers, spring follows winter... so tonight, think spring! Think of warm, sunny days, grass greening, and Faith Promise. So tonight, we want to say "Hats Off to Faith Promise. Hats off? That's right. I have with me tonight some models who are going to show you what a well dressed Nazarene will be wearing to our upcoming Faith Promise weekend of 1999.

All the fashions you will see tonight have been created by the Nazarene World Mission Society, and they all reflect Faith Promise. Why Faith Promise? Because that is the way we support the cause of missions. You knew that, didn't you? Faith Promise encompasses all the areas of missions giving that the local church is involved with throughout the year. In essence, it is the lifeline of our missionary society.

I think you will be interested in the hat fashions you will see tonight as they reflect Faith Promise. And you will want to select your particular creation to wear to our Faith Promise weekend.

Well, I know you are anxious, and you need not wait any longer.

First hat—Missionaries Salaries. Of course, the missionaries must be paid. To keep them on the field, we need the World Evangelism Fund. The lovely shade of green on the hat will enhance any green suit you might select. There you have it.....some of Faith Promise will be used toward the World Evangelism Fund formerly General Budget which in turn pays Missionaries Salaries. Thank you, (name of model)

Second Hat—Medical Plan. Oh, yes. Here we have (name of model) in this magnificent

creation call Medical Plan. The name is almost larger than the hat. What a joy to wear this little number, knowing full well that our missionaries and their families will be taken care of through a medical and hospitalization plan. Isn't that striking? Thank you, (name of model), for showing us Medical Plan.

Third Hat—Literature. In your Faith Promise bonnet, with all the thrills upon it. And look at the frills on this stunning creation. This, of course, is Literature or Educational Allowance, modeled so beautifully by (name of model). It readily tells us that men, women, youth and children need educated about missions and the work of our missionaries. Notice, if you will, the lovely design of pens and pencils and the ribbon accented with crayons. To top this lovely creation off, the designer didn't forget the mission education director—a lovely apple sits right on top. Anyone would want to wear Literature in this year's Faith Promise parade. Thank you, (name of model)

Fourth Hat—Radio Grants. Here we have (name of model) wearing this striking hat that our designer calls Radio Grants. Notice the radios detailed here. Our missionaries use this avenue to spread the gospel to places they haven't yet been able to enter. They broadcast the gospel message using the radio. The photographer will surely snap you if you are wearing this creation in the Faith Promise Parade. Thank you, (name of model) I know all of you will want this one.

Fifth Hat—Building Planting. Oh, my! (name of model) is wearing this unique number. Let me see ... what do we have here... building supplies? Oh, yes, Building Projects, of course—well taken care of through Work & Witness. As the building needs increase, so the needs for more builders. "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes, " and Work & Witness is one way of building buildings on the mission field. Wear Building Projects with dignity in the Faith Promise Parade. You may just be selected for the best dressed Nazarene. Thank you, (name of model)

Sixth Hat—Cash Christmas... And what more appropriate fashion than this number modeled by (name of model) Have you ever thought about what missionaries do at Christmas away from home and family.? Well, this little number reminds us that missionaries are remembered at Christmas by the General Church. As you parade down the avenue, you'll catch all the eyes, I'm sure. Thank you, (name of model)

Seventh Hat—LINKS. What an unusual design our next model (name of model) is wearing. Chains all over. To remind us that we are linked with a missionary for two years to pray for, encourage with cards and letters, and little remembrances. Of course our missionaries need prayers, encouragement and remembrances, and this is covered by LINKS. You'll feel great in this marvelous creation. Anyone would. Thank you, (name of model)

Eighth Hat—Compassionate Ministries . What a darling design we have here, modeled by (name of model), this is called Compassionate Ministries, and the designer has depicted the various ways our missionaries are involved in compassionate ministries, dispensing medicine, food, hygiene kits, and much more. How thrilling to stroll down the avenue in this exciting creation, knowing that someone will be receiving a compassionate touch . Thank you, (name of model). And there you have it Compassionate Ministries.

Let's see them again, ladies and gentlemen. Compassionate Ministries, LINKS, Cash Christmas, Building Projects, Radio Grants, Literature, Medical Plan, and Missionaries Salaries. What would missionaries do without Faith Promise? Hats off to Faith Promise!