

Online fundraising



1. Amazon Smile

Something simple we can all do is to raise funds while shopping online. Simply go to www.smile.amazon.com and choose Release International as your chosen charity. We will be able to claim 0.5% on all your future purchases, at no cost to you!



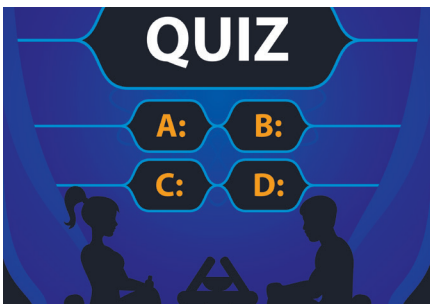
2. Added weight

Pick up a stone (small or large), put it in your pocket or carry it in your hand. As you walk around your neighbourhood carrying this added weight, remember your oppressed family and the added weight they must carry each day. Raise funds for every mile you walk during a week or a month.



3. Surrounded by stars

During lockdown many of us have spent extra time baking. Why not cut your next batch of cookies into star shapes and donate an amount for each batch made? As you eat the cookies with friends, surround our brothers and sisters with prayer.



4. Quiz night on Zoom

This is another effective fundraising idea. First, arrange a quiz master. Then look online for the types of questions you want to use. Invite your friends and encourage them to bring their own snacks. You can charge for tickets, or let your guests make their own donation.



5. Coffee morning on Zoom with Hazaq

Host an informal and relaxed virtual coffee morning. Simply deliver some Hazaq coffee, pastries and our *Voice* magazine to your friends and meet online. Discuss one of the articles in *Voice* and share about how buying coffee from Hazaq helps support Christians who are persecuted; and for the price of just one coffee a week, a £10 a month regular gift to Release brings comfort to prisoners of faith, those who have been forced from their homes, widows and orphans.



6. Homeless and hungry

Imagine if you were poor because of your faith. Many of our persecuted family find themselves homeless and hungry. Why not give up your daily coffee, your desserts, your weekend take-aways, or something else to remember those for whom this is a way of life and donate the money saved.



7. Sponsored haircut

If you are feeling daring, an excellent way to raise funds is to shave your head! Set a date and tell all your friends and family to join a Zoom call where they can watch you do it live!



8. Esther Experience

Could you host an online Esther Experience for women? Share the biblical story of Esther with stories of your persecuted sisters from *Embrace* or *Voice* magazine, followed by a time of prayer and fellowship. Perhaps you could send a small beauty product to the attendees so that you can share in a simple pamper session together? Donations could be a portion of what you would pay to go to a manicurist or stylist.



9. Dinner party on Zoom

Fancy something more adventurous? Break out your evening suit/dress and invite your friends to do the same. Enjoy an online dinner together, share one or more stories from the *Voice* magazine, pray about what was discussed and invite them to consider donating.



10. Bike ride

Set yourself a realistic target and get your bike in good working order. It's time to see those wonderful countryside and city sights and support your persecuted family at the same time. You could also invite a few friends to join you, stopping off at key points to pray together.

How to donate:

Online: go to releaseinternational.org/give

Phone: call us on 01689 823497

Text: type 'JESUS 10' to 70085 to give £10
(or any whole amount between £1 and £20)

Text 'JESUSNOINFO 10' to opt out of marketing communications.

Cheque: made payable to 'Release International' and sent to Release International, PO Box 54, Orpington, BR5 4RT

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