

Season of Prayer 2023

for Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions, Missions Education,
and Kingdom ADVANCE in South Carolina

Adult Teaching Procedures



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Scripture: “Then He told them: Go and preach the good news to everyone in the world.” (Mark 16:15 CEV)

State Goal: \$2,100,000

Pray and enlist others to pray before beginning to plan for the study

- Study the Leader’s Guide.
- View the videos and other resources at www.janiechapmanoffering.org.
- Decide to use the video stories, enlist someone to read or tell the stories, or use a combination of both methods.
- Print the resources you have selected to use and choose the stories to be presented.
- Review the suggested music list and decide on musical guests, group singing, or videos.
- Consider whether to serve refreshments such as traditional Southern foods and international dishes.
- Plan the layout of the meeting area based on requirements for tables, chairs, audio/visual equipment, and a display wall and table.
- Print a South Carolina outline map for each person who attends. Have markers or stickers available.
- Utilize every communication tool employed by your church, such as church social media pages, group texts, emails, announcements, and posters to make everyone aware of the theme, date, times, and location of the upcoming study.

Prepare for the meeting

- Post on a wall or display board the available resources, such as the What’s Next poster, allocations chart, focus Scripture, and your church’s Janie Chapman OfferingSM goal. Add the five focus area words and a South Carolina map.
- Decorate the table with items that represent each story. The props could be replaced by pictures of similar activities.
 - START: football, skateboard, toy meal setting such as two plates with food
 - SHARE: tennis racket, tennis ball, two coffee cups
 - STRONG: Gullah-inspired basket, older hymnal, golf club and ball
 - SEND: a Bible, a picture of Los Angeles, or a cardboard road sign that says “LA”
 - SERVE: a globe or world map, a welcome sign, a box of canned food, school supplies
- Prepare the audio/visual equipment that will be used.
- Set up the room to accommodate the speakers, participants, and any food.

- Place the handout maps, markers, and stickers on each table or chair.
- Have the prayer guides and offering envelopes available to hand out at the end of the study.

Present the study

- Play the suggested music from the Leader's Guide as people arrive.
- Welcome each person and encourage them to view the display.
- Hand out the map activity supplies if they are not already on tables.
- Open with prayer.
- Welcome everyone to the 2023 Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions, Missions Education, and Kingdom ADVANCE in South Carolina. State that the theme for this Season of Prayer study is What's Next. Read Mark 6:15.
- Include a musical selection - instrumental, singing, or video.
- Read or paraphrase the Introduction from the Leader's Guide.
- Begin the presentation of the stories and ask someone to read and pray for the attached prayer requests.
- After the presentation of each of the stories, lead the participants in adding a dot or sticker on the discussed location. This will demonstrate the wide reach of the Janie Chapman Offering.
- Read or paraphrase the Conclusion from the Leader's Guide.
- Hold up a copy of the prayer guide and an offering envelope to emphasize that the offering is essential in providing for What's Next in state missions. Make sure everyone receives their own guide and envelope before they leave.
- Close in prayer for the participants, the church's commitment to state missions, and the continued support of those mentioned in the stories and others like them around our state.