

# Additional Options to Encourage Support for DiscipleLife Alive! in Your Congregation

**The following options are offered for congregations as a supplement to help congregational leaders consider how to grow their congregation's participation in *DLA!***

## Additional Option A: *Congregational Capital Campaign*

If your congregation is planning a capital campaign in the next three years, include *DLA!* as the recipient of a 10% tithe of the campaign. Many congregations designate a portion of their campaign, often a 10% tithe, for a ministry beyond themselves. This option fits into your overall stewardship planning with materials ready to use.

## Option B: *Build DiscipleLife Alive! into Your Congregational Budget for 2012 - 2014*

Assess the goal for a congregation of your size (adjust upward for motivation!) and divide by three. Include one-third of your *DLA!* goal in your congregation's budget or ministry plan over the next three years.

## Option C: *Receive a Designated Offering for DiscipleLife Alive! one Sunday every month for three years*

This plan offers a special Sunday each month to lift up the vision for congregations working together through *DiscipleLife Alive!* one Sunday every month for three years or special offerings during the seasons of Lent and Advent. Use bulletin inserts and other printed materials and DVD chapters to create commitment on each of these Sundays. Consider designating your Lent and Advent special offerings for *DiscipleLife Alive!*

## Option D: *DiscipleLife Alive! Smorgasbord*

Combine a variety of ways to inform and inspire members to embrace the vision of *DLA!* and to encourage their financial commitment:

1. Invite a *DLA!* Ambassador to visit your Council, your worship, or any congregational event. These Ambassadors are eager to share their enthusiasm for *DiscipleLife Alive!* One has been assigned to work with your congregation. We welcome an opportunity for a presentation.

2. Use the *DLA!* DVD to inform and inspire members. The DVD has four sections. Use a selected section based on time available at worship, Adult Forum/Sunday School, or congregational events:

- A brief, opening commercial to encourage participation in *DLA!*
- *DiscipleLife Alive!* Vision and Goals with Bishop Kanouse and other NT-NL leaders
- NT-NL DiscipleLife Center for Mission at Briarwood
- Leadership Formation and the Mission Endowment Fund

3. Create an event that models one thing "**WE CAN DO BETTER**" by working together. Bring in a teaching pastor from another congregation or a lay leader for a ministry you would like to begin or improve. Model the vision, grow your mission, and engage members in support of *DLA!* goals.

4. Publicize every webinar or simulcast broadcast from the *DiscipleLife* Center for Mission at Briarwood as a teaching/learning opportunity for your members. Gather them in your fellowship hall to watch and interact with the presenter where possible and engage in discussion.



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