

What's an 'Offering of Letters'?

New to Bread for the World, and confused by all this talk about an Offering of Letters? Keep reading:

The Offering of Letters is one of the ways **Indiana congregations** affiliated with Bread for the World **put their faith in action**. Bread provides a letter-writing kit, including sample letters. Congregations supply the pens, paper & letter-writers to urge their lawmakers to pass legislation that can help end hunger in our time. Simple. And impactful.

By raising our voices — across the nation — in one “offering” we get results. **In Indiana alone, we mail, email and even hand-deliver *thousands* of letters to our U.S. legislators, sending a clear message that hungry people deserve their attention.**

Offerings of Letters often start small: a few folks gathered with pen and paper and a sample letter after worship to write lawmakers. Other Offerings celebrate in worship, raising Jesus' call to advocate for “the least of these.” Others host a guided study on food security and how to be part of the solution. Each year we learn of new innovations our congregations make to respond faithfully to the needs of those around them and share them with your congregation to inspire your own practices.

Like any offering, the Offering of Letters is, at its heart, an act of generosity in a world where there is plenty, if we would simply learn to share.

To learn how your Indiana congregation can participate in advocacy to end hunger, contact Charles Gardner - gardner1947@gmail.com

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