



Helpful Hints by Sam

-CWS FALL BLANKETS-



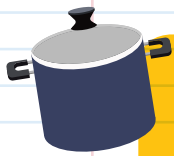
Crisp air, chilly nights, hot drinks - there's something special about fall. And if your congregation is hosting a Blanket Sunday this season, there are so many things you can do to get into the autumn spirit! Here are a few of my favorite Fall Blankets ideas that will engage all ages while raising more money to keep our neighbors covered throughout the year:

Warm up with a bonfire! Invite your small groups to an evening with apple cider, hot chocolate and a reminder about why blankets are so important for families who can't warm up. Use CWS' free stories and Bible study resources, available at: cwsblankets.org/downloads



Host a family-friendly movie night for your community! Provide popcorn and donate the proceeds to your Blanket ministry!

Share festive blessings through our printable leaves available at cwsblankets.org/downloads. Children can decorate and write on them to share how they want to bless others through your Blanket Sunday. Display these all around your church in the weeks leading up to your Blanket Sunday; it's a good reminder of your upcoming event!



Have a chili cook off! Place a bowl in front of each submission so people can vote for their favorite chili with a donation.



Connect with a local farm to host a hayride night, with proceeds going towards your Blankets ministry. Ask people to bring their own blankets to keep warm throughout the night; it's a good reminder of how important these gifts are!

Promote your Blanket Sunday on all of your church's social media outlets like Facebook. It is a great way to share the word! You can use our fall-themed graphics here at cwsblankets.org/downloads.



"Why do you support CWS Blankets?" Ask this to the members of your congregation - children too! - and take videos of their responses. Share the video responses during a worship service!

Get your Blanket Sunday on everyone's calendar by sending them reminder emails and including notices in your bulletin. As a Blankets leader, highlight why you care about this ministry in all of your messaging!

