



**ARE
YOU
IN?**

World Hunger
Campaign 2010





ACTIVITY

Coloring Picture





“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all people.”

—1 Corinthians 12:4-6

God loves diversity. It is by Divine design that each one of us is wonderfully made and unique. And being different is definitely a good thing: if we were all the same, ending hunger might be impossible. Think about it: if God made everyone good at planting seeds, who would pray for them to grow?

And with the Holy Spirit at work within us, spiritual gifts that otherwise might be spent on frivolous pursuits and selfish goals become swords that cut through the worst our world has to offer. The gifts and unique talents God has given each one of us makes it possible to take on hunger and poverty – if we work together. That’s just the way God made us.

Consider work going on in our world right now. The Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC) has hired men and women – many from the United States and Canada – to go and live in countries all over the world. They have certain skills to share and teach others, but they couldn’t do it on their own. Instead, they work alongside men and women from each country itself. These men and women are local leaders who know their communities well. Their gifts and knowledge are just as important as what CRWRC brings.

CRWRC has learned that when we all work together for God’s kingdom, we can change the world. Are you in?

Will you join CRWRC in this important work by participating in this year’s World Hunger campaign? As you read the devotionals for the next three weeks, you’ll receive daily activity and giving suggestions to help you think of new ways to get involved. We hope you’ll consider trying them.

At the upper right of each devotional, you’ll see images that show how CRWRC’s ministry is tying in to the larger work being done by organizations and countries around the world as part of the Millennium Development Goals. These eight goals provide targets for us to work for by 2015. For more information, please read the weekend activity at the end of this week.

ACTION IDEA: Today, there are over one hundred men and women around the world who are working or volunteering with CRWRC. If your church or family supports one of them, pray for that staff member today and put \$1 in your Peter Fish. If you don’t already have a connection to a specific CRWRC staff member, visit www.crwrc.org and pray for one of the staff members you read about there.

WE CAN DO IT!



“I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.”

—Matthew 17: 20

Every day, more than one billion people go to bed hungry in our world. In the face of statistics like that, hunger seems to have no possible solution and no end. We are left to wonder how we can feed everyone. Where will the food come from? Is ending hunger even possible?

The answer, of course, is no—not on our own. Left to our own devices, human beings can’t end hunger. Fortunately, we have someone else on our side who is more powerful than we are—our heavenly Father. With God’s grace and providence, we’ve been able to make a difference already. For nearly fifty years, CRWRC has been fighting hunger. As a result, people in more than 30 countries have made extraordinary strides toward ending hunger.

In Bangladesh for example, CRWRC has used a grant from the United States government to carry out a “Child Survival” program. The program works by organizing people into People’s Institutions to receive training, and work together on factors that lead to childhood disease and death. When the program was evaluated in 2009, the review team estimated that there had been a 34% reduction of under-five mortality in the project area. That means that 399 children’s lives had been saved over the course of five years.

In similar ways, CRWRC and its partners have been equipping communities around the world to improve themselves through education, healthcare, agricultural training, small business loans, spiritual development, and justice education. Every day, they take steps in the right direction. God has shown us that change is possible when it begins with faith.

ACTION IDEA: Read the story of David and Goliath with your family, and encourage children to discuss how David’s faith helped him beat the Philistine. Put 25 cents in Peter Fish for each rock David picked out of the river.

LEND A HAND!



*“I will instruct you and
teach you in the way
which you shall go.
I will counsel you with
my eye on you.”*

— Psalm 32:8

There are places in this world where the first step toward battling hunger is building faith. In Indonesia, churches are remote, rural and poor and there are few pastors. That’s why leadership training is so essential to the spiritual and physical growth of Christian communities. The Timothy Leadership Training (TLT) is a discipleship training program for lay leaders on Java Island. The program is based on the idea of entrusting Christ’s teaching to faithful followers “who will be able to teach others also” (2 Timothy 2:2). Key pastoral leaders are

first trained as “Master trainers” who then encourage and disciple lay leaders in the remote churches.

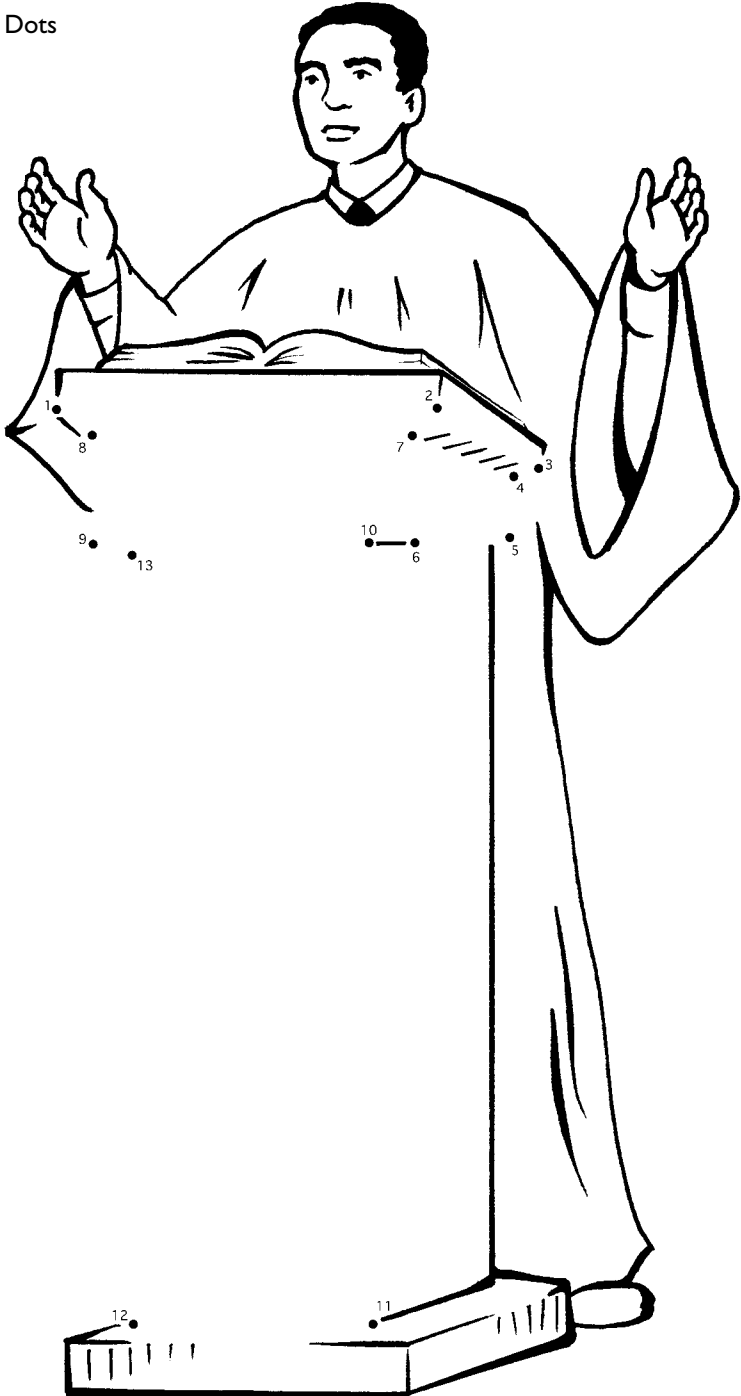
As a result, Christian communities are growing in size and spirit all over Java Island. When Reverend Melky, a pastor in West Sumba trained 24 lay leaders in his region, adult attendance went up 80 percent and Sunday School attendance doubled. What’s more, is that church members are working together to help people struggling with poverty and hunger. Through mercy and kindness, churches are teaching local communities not just to feed their bodies with food, but to feed their whole person – body and soul – through faith in Jesus Christ.

ACTION IDEA: Have a pastor, elder, or other church leader over for dinner to thank them for the role they can play in encouraging others to fight hunger. Make a donation to his or her Peter Fish bank.



ACTIVITY

Connect the Dots



DAY
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WHAT DO YOU HAVE?



*“Elisha replied to her,
‘How can I help you?
Tell me, what do you
have in your house?’*

*‘Your servant has nothing
there at all,’ she said,
‘except a little oil.’”*

—2 Kings 4:2

In 2 Kings, the author tells of a widow who confronted the prophet Elisha. She had crippling debt and had lost her husband. Creditors were about to take away her only sons. Her world was falling apart.

Elisha had no quick fix solutions for her. He challenged the woman by asking her one question, “What do you have?”

In many poor communities, people tend to look outside themselves for answers to their situations. Rwot Omiya Group is one of several groups that have been working with a CRWRC partner in Northern Uganda to start doing things differently.

Rwot Omiya means “God has given me” in the Acholi language. The group works by meeting together to save and lend out money for small, household business activities. This is intended to help the families earn enough money to meet their own needs, and return to a normal life after living in a refugee camp for 20 years.

By starting with what they have – small amounts of money and the initiative to start a business – the group is having success. Alice Akum, for example, borrowed about \$5 from the group to buy supplies to make and sell pancakes and cassava chips. Within two days, she had doubled her money and was able to replay the loan.

“My aim right now is to raise money to buy school supplies for my children who are going back to school in the next two weeks,” she said.

This success was possible because the people of Uganda didn’t start by thinking about what they lacked, but instead focused on what they did have that could be used to fight hunger and poverty.

ACTION IDEA: Count your blessings by thinking of the skills, abilities, and blessings you have been given that could be used to fight global poverty. Put ten cents into your Peter Fish bank for each one.

THE WORD IS GOOD



*“Your word is a lamp to
my feet and a light to
my path.”*

—Psalm 119: 105

When a small plane carrying a cargo of illegal drugs crashed in the village of Wiwinak, Nicaragua, the community became prey to what CRWRC staff person Mark VanderWees calls “a classic story of how poverty collides with fast easy, money”. The drugs salvaged from the plane were quickly traded for clothing, rifles, alcohol and chainsaws, and greed fueled a wave of disputes and violence within families and between friends.

While leaving Wiwinak to sort out its own mess was a possibility, CRWRC Nicaragua staff chose a different approach: they would increase emphasis on promoting a biblical worldview and values instead of on traditional development projects. That way, CRWRC could work alongside the community as it recognized and dealt with the deeper issues and consequences.

Relying on God’s word is often our best bet when we tackle difficult problems. We can rack our brains to find our own solutions, but God already has the answers. Each Sunday, God reveals a new truth to us during the weekly sermon or in bible lesson. There’s only one Know-It-All, and He’s got all the answers we need to beat hunger. Let’s listen....

ACTION IDEA: Have each person in your family put \$1 in Peter Fish as they read or recite their favourite Bible passage at the dinner table today.



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Word Search

Find the following words in the above puzzle:

- WIWINAK
- NIGARAGUA
- PETERFISH
- WORLDHUNGER SOLUTIONS
- GOD
- PRAYER
- BIBLE
- SERMON

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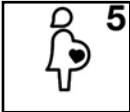
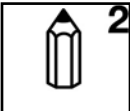
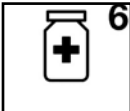



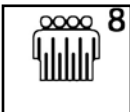
WEEKEND ACTIVITY: LEARN MORE

By now you will have noticed the small images to the upper right of each day's story. Each of these images represents one of eight, measurable, Millennium Development Goals that were set by the global community ten years ago. At that time, 189 countries—including the United States and Canada—committed to achieving these goals by 2015. Now, with five years left before the finish line, we still have a long way to go.

As Christians, we believe the MDGs are not just something that world leaders agreed to, but that they reflect an integral part of the mission of the church—to proclaim and demonstrate the love of Christ to a world in need, to feed the hungry, care for the sick, administer acts of mercy and strive for justice for the oppressed. What's equally important is that they are all achievable if we work together.

This weekend, take some time to remind yourself about what these goals are and why each is vital to ending poverty. To get started, visit www.crcjustice.org.

After you learn a bit about each goal, color in the appropriate box.

	1 Eradicate extreme hunger and poverty		5 Improve maternal health
	2 Achieve universal primary education		6 Combat HIV, AIDS, malaria and other diseases
	3 Promote gender equality and empower women		7 Ensure environmental sustainability
	4 Reduce child mortality		8 Develop a global partnership for development

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FINDING THE ANSWERS



*Ask and it will be given to you; **seek** and you will **find**; knock and the door will be opened to you.*

—Matthew 7:7 (NIV)

The old adage “give someone a fish and they’ll eat for a day, teach them to fish and they’ll eat for a lifetime” doesn’t always apply to a complex problem like hunger. To help people feed themselves requires that we listen too. Sometimes, a person might not need more fish or knowledge about how to catch them. Instead, he or she might need a place to store their catch.

Consider CRWRC’s work in Tanzania. For many people in rural Tanzania the only asset they have is land. And there is no better use of land than to grow food. But sometimes when members of a community all grow the same crops, there are few people left to buy the produce and prices drop.

CRWRC and local partner SISA have been helping youth and women add value to their crops with food processing techniques—such as sun drying and canning—that increase their income and market share. Women’s groups are now producing dried fruit, pickles, jams, peanut butter and spices, and are selling their products in small supermarkets around Tanzania.

By taking time to listen and using creative thinking, the staff and communities in Tanzania have found a solution to fight hunger. The same is true when we consider global hunger. There are no easy answers, but when we give a problem our full attention—through discussion, brainstorming, problem solving and prayer—God will always be ready with answers.

ACTION IDEA: Learn and practice a new technique for preserving fruits and vegetables through the winter months. Then feed Peter Fish 10 cents for every fruit and vegetable you have in your home right now.



“I will send you rain in its season, and the ground will yield its crops and the tress of the field their fruit.”

—Leviticus 26:4 (NIV)

Melanie Fulaye is a champion farmer. ‘Champion’, because she can feed her family throughout the year with the food she grows. But Melanie is also a champion because she uses her farming income to send all three of her children to school. Food and education: that’s all Melanie really wanted for her kids. And with hard work and training, Melanie made it happen.

Melanie learned to be a successful farmer through Farming God’s Way (FGW), a sustainable agriculture training program sponsored by CRWRC Mozambique. The program teaches farmers how to use sustainable agricultural practices—such as compost and manure—instead of chemical fertilizers to grow food.

Why did Melanie start farming God’s Way? She did a test. The test was to determine which fertilizer—chemical or natural—worked best to grow her crops. Melanie treated a small parcel of her land with chemical fertilizer, while the rest of her crops were fed natural fertilizers like manure and compost. While crops treated with chemical fertilizers did grow, so too did the FGW crops, sure, steady and naturally good to eat.

Sometimes we do what we’ve always done because it’s easier than trying something new. But when it comes to taking on the big issues—like poverty and hunger—we need to adopt an attitude of openness. And when we adopt God’s principles in whatever we do, we minimize our margin for error and maximize our opportunity to experience God’s bounty in our lives.

ACTION IDEA: Make your own Farming God’s Way plan for your garden next year. Determine how much money you could save by using household remedies over chemical fertilizers, and feed Peter Fish the difference.

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TRAGEDY OF THE COMMONS



*“Let the heavens rejoice,
let the earth be glad;
Let the sea resound
and all that is in it. Let
the fields be jubilant
and everything in them.
Let all the trees of the
forest sing for joy. Let all
creation rejoice before
the Lord for He comes,
He comes to judge the
earth. He will judge the
world in righteousness
and the peoples in His
faithfulness.”*

—Psalm 96: 11-13

In 1968, Garrett Hardin wrote an article about the ‘tragedy of the commons’. In a nutshell, he said that when individuals act independently for their own self interest, everyone suffers. The limited resources that everyone shares run out more quickly and then everyone pays the price.

CRWRC’s Mary Crickmore conducts workshops with pastors in West Africa on the shared tragedy of deforestation. Because poverty is so wide spread in that region, trees are often cut and sold as firewood, and the leaves are harvested for medicinal use. There is even the belief by many pastors that God allows humans to cut an unlimited number of trees for our own purposes. Unfortunately, without trees, top soil washes away and the overall ability of the land to produce food is reduced.

Answers to the problem are far from clear. Firewood provides income for a few people or communities, but deforestation makes it harder and harder to produce food.

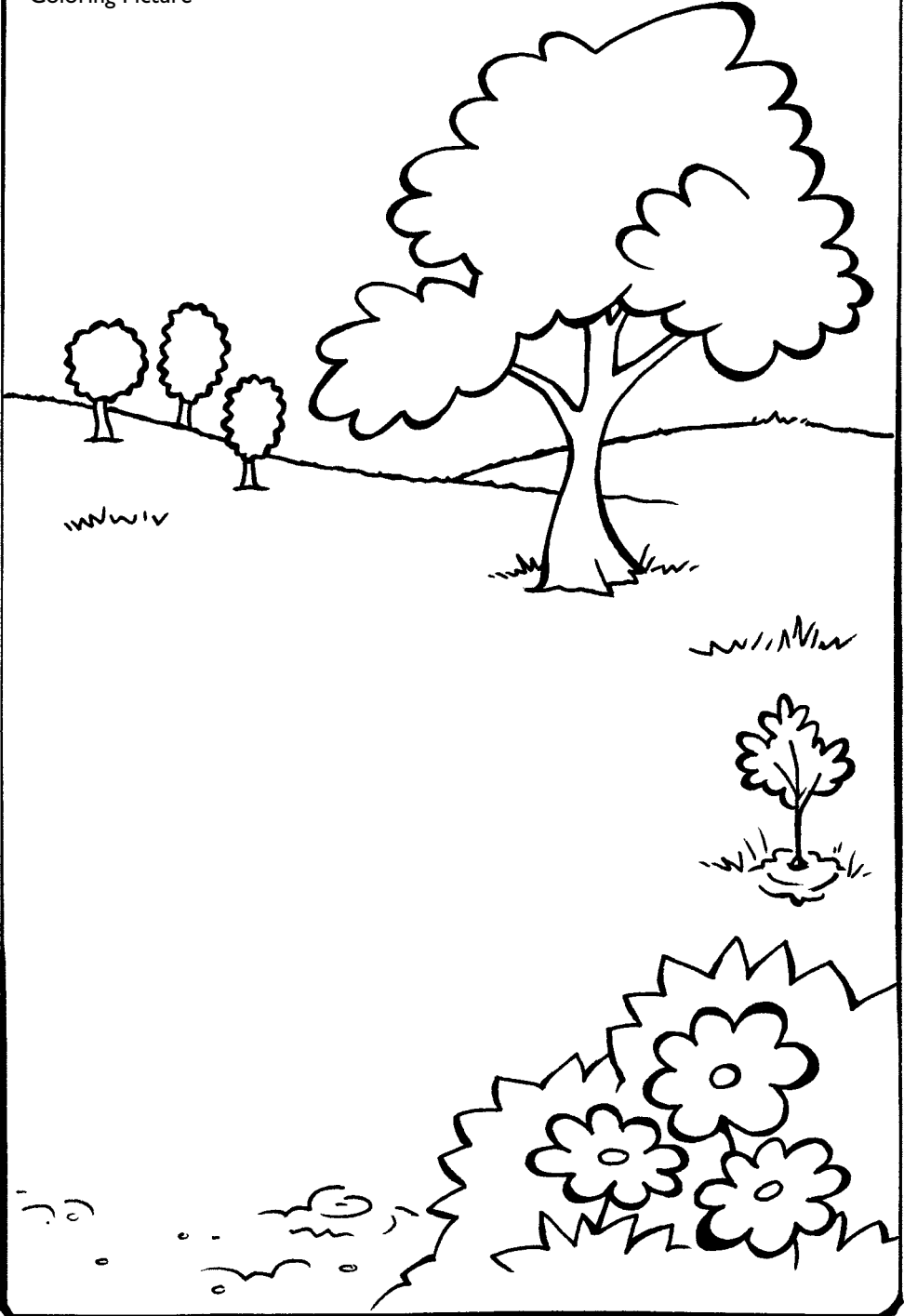
Crickmore’s workshops have led communities to new insights about God’s will for His creation, environmental responsibility and the link between deforestation and hunger. Communities are now planting trees with a higher purpose: they see replanting as a way to serve the One who created it all.

ACTION IDEA: Plant trees! A tree seedling in Bangladesh costs only \$0.40 US. Put 40 cents in your Peter Fish Bank for every member of your family and draw a tree seedling in the garden on the next page. Consider planting a tree in your own neighbourhood too.



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Coloring Picture





“Then God said: ‘Let the land produce vegetation: seed bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds.’ And it was so. The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seeds according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.”

—Genesis 1: 11-12

Bainito lives in the Rift Valley region of western Kenya. As a Kenyan farmer, Bainito is unique: while most farmers choose to grow only one or two crops throughout the year, Bainito grows as many as eight; while most farmers have just cows and chickens, Bainito is also the proud owner of a turkey and a duck.

Farm diversity is a key in the fight against hunger. “By letting creation flourish to its maximum diversity, farmers enjoy less risk and better livelihoods,” says Stephan Lutz of CRWRC Kenya. “Planting single crops without replenishing vital soil nutrients will eventually deplete the soil, while maintaining a variety of plants can ensure healthy soil, constant land use and pest control.”

The world God has given us can be abused and depleted. Even if we aren’t farmers, we can take steps to care for creation and encourage others to do the same. This is not only good for the world, but it is also a vital part of fighting global hunger in the long-term.

ACTION IDEA: Plant a community garden on your church property or a vacant piece of land in your community and donate the produce to a local food bank. Put 10 cents in Peter Fish for every fruit and vegetable that grows in your region.



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Coloring Picture



WE ARE WEAK, BUT HE IS STRONG!



“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.”

—Hebrews 12: 1-3

Chris is a happy and successful young man living in Uganda. His list of achievements is long: Chris is a teacher, a business person and a mentor. Chris’s beekeeping group is earning a fair income and is planning a savings and credit program to help other members of their community start small businesses. Yes, Chris is very successful. And by the way: Chris is also blind.

“We are blind, but we do not want to be beggars. We can make it in life even if we do not see,” Chris says. “The Lord has given us hands to work with and legs to take us where we want, and so we are able to lead a normal life.”

Whatever our shortcomings or disabilities, each one of us can do *something* in the fight against poverty and hunger. It may take a little more work or creativity on our part and we will get frustrated, but have faith: “with God, all things are possible” (Matthew 19:26).

Consider what role you can play in the fight against poverty. Don’t be discouraged by the weaknesses you perceive. Instead, consider how God can use you and pray to him for wisdom and strength to do your part.

ACTION IDEA: Make a list of your strengths and weaknesses that can affect your ability to end hunger. Feed Peter Fish 10 cents for every strength and 25 cents for every weakness. Congratulations! You have just used your ‘shortcomings’ to help fight hunger.

WEEKEND ACTIVITY: THE CRWRC FAMILY FOOD FIGHT (FFF) PROJECT

It's true: when groups of people commit to a common cause, change happens. Your family is already a strong unit of people committed to one another. Together, there is much you can accomplish. And that includes being part of a global movement to end hunger!

The FFF Project isn't meant to be lots of work or another 'have to' on your already long list of things to do. It's a chance to work and grow together as a family in Christ, while making a meaningful contribution to end hunger.

How the FFF Project works: each family member chooses one role depending on their strengths and interests. Then as a family, commit to working together for one year—12 months—on your FFF Project. Your family will be amazed by what you accomplish together before the next CRWRC World Hunger campaign in 2011! As one family in a network of CRC families across North America, you can be part of a movement that ends hunger in our lifetime. So: Are you in?

SAMPLE ROLES:

The Leader: Schedule your first family meeting (if your family lives in different locations, meet over the internet). Help them decide on a goal for the year—perhaps to pray for a specific CRWRC staff member, raise money for a CRWRC gift catalog item, or even support an entire family through CRWRC's Free A Family® program. For ideas, visit www.crwrc.org.

The Treasurer: Set your family's 2011 fundraising goal and oversee its progress. Work with your team's techie, event planner and CRWRC to set up a Team Raiser fundraising page.

The Motivator: Find Bible verses that can inspire and motivate your family throughout the year. Email the verses out, post them to your FFF group blog/facebook page, or ask your techie to do it for you.

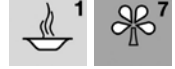
The Networker: Put an announcement in your church bulletin (or send a message by email to CRWRC) to find other FFF Project families in your area. Discuss ways you might work together to raise money and hunger awareness.

The Event Planner: Plan a fundraising event to support your family's goals (maybe a birthday party with donations instead of gifts, or a walk-a-thon your family could do together). Set up Team Raiser page with CRWRC, treasurer and techie.

The Techie: Set up a group email list, Facebook page, or blog for your family's FFF team. Help your team with tech questions. Work with treasurer, event planner and CRWRC to set up Team Raiser page (a page linked to CRWRC's website where gifts donated through your campaign can be tracked).

The Budding Activist (elementary school age): Make a presentation on hunger for your class. Ask friends to give to your FFF project for your birthday. Give 10 percent of your allowance to Peter Fish.

The Little Ones: Draw pictures about hunger and food that can be put on your family's Facebook page. Do a small job for Mom and Dad each week to earn money for Peter Fish.



“And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God”.

—Micah 6:8

Throughout the Bible, God asks us to love and care for those in need. How we act to others plays a huge role in how the church is perceived by those in our communities. Unfortunately, in the busyness of our own lives, we sometimes forget this important part of our Christian life.

Joseph Yvon St-Fleur is a deacon in Haiti. When the January 12 earthquake struck the island, the home that Joseph lived in with his wife and two children was severely damaged. It would have been natural for him to wallow in his loss, but he didn't.

Because of his role as a church leader, Joseph's community looked to him for leadership after the quake. Through his previous training from CRWRC's partner, PWOFOOD, Joseph was able to respond. He found a private property that agreed to let him start a camp for people who had lost their homes. There, he organized a camp of about 370 people and named it Camp Bethel. He then contacted different relief organization and received tents for those in the camp.

As the people settled into the camp, they realized that a small drainage canal was blocked with rubble from damaged buildings. Joseph requested food aid from a relief agency and used it to organize work teams to clear the canal. The camp members spent their own time using hammers, shovels, pitchforks, and wheelbarrows from CRWRC to clear the rubble and open the drainage canal back up. They received food in payment for their work.

Through all these activities, the witness of God's church was strengthened by Joseph's Christian leadership. Imagine the impact we could have for God's kingdom if we all were willing to act so selflessly for others.

ACTION IDEA: Think of a food bank, non-profit, or other outreach organization in your community and think of one thing your family can do to support it. Then each put fifty cents into your Peter Fish bank as a sign of your commitment to carry out that action.



ACTIVITY

Connect the Haitian Creole word with their English meaning

BONJOU

OKAY

SOUPLE

YES

WI

HELLO/GOOD MORNING

MESI

THANK YOU

OKE

PLEASE



*“For we were all baptized
by one Spirit into one
body—whether Jews or
Greeks, slave or free—
and we were all given the
one Spirit to drink.”*

—1 Corinthians 12:13

For many of us the longer we’ve been around, the more comfortable we get with our patterns and routines. Unfortunately, in the fight against hunger if we stay comfortable with the status quo we ignore the needs of our brothers and sisters around the world. We need to take action.

Consider a widows group in Tanzania. The group from the community of Kasamwa has 12 members. At a seminar at the village church a year ago, the women received training in how to care for the sick, start small businesses, and create a group to support one another. The women left this training inspired

and formed a group to help each other save money to start their own income-generating businesses. Many of the widows became quite successful in businesses such as raising chickens for meat or eggs.

When government members came to the community to look for widows needing help, they were so impressed by these women that they gave them a grant to build a brick building to expand their poultry business. The two-room building is now almost finished. The women will use one room to raise more chickens, and the other room will be a shop to sell the eggs or adult chickens. For these women, change started because they decided to take action. As a result, they surprised themselves and the government visitors by their success.

The fight to overcome poverty and achieve the Millennium Development Goals also requires action. Changes to public policy only happen when enough people want the change. We have to work together as one body for justice. Fortunately we already are one body—in Jesus Christ. By starting at that point with Jesus at the center, we have a network of pastors, church members, teachers, employers, students, development workers, politicians, children, adults and seniors. There is strength in numbers! That strength becomes immeasurable with the Holy Spirit guiding our efforts. Together, we are Jesus’ hands and feet. Let’s use them!

ACTION IDEA: Introduce yourself to someone in your church outside your generation. Give that person \$1 to put in their Peter Fish.



ACTIVITY

Connect the Dots





“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.”

—Ephesians 3: 20-21

Finding your voice on behalf of others is one challenge. Being heard—especially when you have a new idea—is another. In the West African country of Sierra Leone, CRWRC and local partner Christian Extension Services (CES) have been working with communities to encourage women’s full participation in discussion and decision making.

The Kania Village Development Committee is made up of five women and seven men. Of those five women, only Matigray Sesay holds a position of leadership. Recently, the committee raised money for a development project and was ready to make a decision on how the funds would be spent.

Matigray tried hard to make her voice heard. When she was finally given the floor, she suggested purchasing bed nets that could be sold at a small profit. That way, she explained, the committee would help protect people from malaria at an affordable cost and could maintain a small development fund at the same time. Town chief Po Dabonta Koroma brushed aside her suggestion. “The funds are to be used to buy rice for distribution. This is what we have always done—this is what the leaders have always decided.”

Matigray stood her ground and reminded people that mosquitoes carrying malaria have a deadly effect, especially on children and pregnant women, besides making sleep very difficult for everyone. As she laid out her points, the other members of the committee began listening. While at previous meetings the women were not comfortable speaking up, because they knew that they would not be heard, this time Matigray has been brave. As a result, when the issue was put to a vote, 9 out of 12 voted for bed nets.

ACTION IDEA: Give 25 cents to Peter Fish for every woman or girl that you know who has made a difference in your life. Then think about what you can do to make your voice heard in your church, school, community, or country on behalf of the poor.

SAVIOUR OR SERVANT?



*“Humble yourselves
before the Lord, and He
will lift you up.”*

—James 4:10

Giving our time to God’s work to end hunger is as valuable as giving our treasures. When you volunteer, you join many others—church folk, community members, leaders, staff, and other volunteers—who are all invested in seeing real change.

But sometimes we think the best way to help others is to just fix the problem ourselves. We believe because we have food, education and even faith that our culture must have it right, and therefore we must have all the answers. Not only does this approach take power away from people to help themselves, it leaves volunteers feeling overwhelmed, overworked and frustrated when things don’t go according to our grand plan.

There’s only room for one saviour, but lots of room for His volunteers! As servants of God, we move into communities with humility and appreciation for all creation. As followers of Christ, we demonstrate Jesus’ love by listening, learning and working hand in hand with those we seek to serve. That kind of service is what is contributing to real change—in communities and in the heart.

ACTION IDEA: Find an opportunity to volunteer in the fight against hunger. It could be overseas with CRWRC, or in your local community garden or soup kitchen. Put 50 cents in your fish bank.

**ACTIVITY**

Are you in? Draw a picture of you and your family with your Peter Fish bank.



“It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

—Ephesians 4: 11-13

So many of us are blessed beyond what one billion people can dream. We have a place to call home when it rains. We have something to eat at every meal and in between. Shelter and food: two very basic necessities in life, and yet they are considered wealth in our world today.

Jesus reminds us to manage our blessings wisely: “from everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.” (Luke 12: 48).

So while some days we may feel unfortunate in comparison to our next-door neighbour, God doesn’t see it that way. We’ve been given much. We have much to do.

CRWRC appreciates the gifts entrusted to you by God that you so generously share with the poor. On your behalf, CRWRC is working with people to grow food, earn money, disciple church members and send children to school. Lives are changing with your help. It’s a fact!

But if we want every person to have food, we have to step it up. It will take passion. It will take action. It will take unwavering faith. God entrusted us with the Holy Spirit. There’s isn’t anything we can’t do!

So let’s hear it. Around your table. Throughout your church. Everybody, all together:
COUNT ME IN!

ACTION IDEA: Thank God in family prayer for His gift of Jesus Christ. Have each person in your family feed Peter Fish \$1 as an act of gratitude.

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