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Feeding the Hungry Encouraging the Church Reaching the Lost

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To hearts around the world,
thank you for giving hope ...
EVERY DAY!



Peter Sumrall
PRESIDENT

A personal word from President Pete Sumrall

Dear Partner,

Earlier this year I traveled to the Dominican Republic for a Victory Christian Center crusade in Asua. All I can say is...Amazing! Thousands attended and many found Christ. A Feed The Hungry family food pack distribution was definitely a key element.

The next day, I traveled across the border to Haiti. I felt like I'd gone to another universe, not just the other side of an island. I have never seen anything like it in my life.

Yet even amidst all the destruction, the FTH team saw glimpses of hope, thanks to your loving support. Working with local ministry partners, we continue to feed thousands every day with family packs of fresh food and water. Of course we are also continuing our long-standing *Every Child Every Day* commitment to Haiti's children.

Amazingly, one of the great hungers in Haiti is for Bibles — even among those who have lost everything! Bobby Burnett, our ministry partner at Love A Child, said more than 90% of Haiti's Christians don't have a Bible — because they cost as much as a month's salary. **Can you imagine?** With your help, we're working hard to provide thousands of New Testaments.

Many other parts of the world demand our attention. News from Africa isn't good. The continent is teetering on the brink of another disastrous famine, and we need to step up our efforts there everywhere — especially on behalf of the children, who are usually the hardest hit. Recent newspaper articles point to alarming situations for children, especially in Sudan.

In Africa, India, Asia, Central America — even the United States, one of the wealthiest nations in the world — hunger claims life after life. **Thank you for going with us through your generous ongoing support and, most importantly, your prayers.** Through you, God has already met tremendous needs! May He bless you for your compassion!

Serving the Hungry,

Pete Sumrall

Survival and Hope in Haiti

Two stories of faith from a devastated country

The Ripple Effect

“Six months ago, we did a crusade in this area and 20,000 people came to Christ,” the pastor of Pétienville Assemblies of God Church said. His eyes roamed over the thousands of tents, the dirty faces, the people struggling to survive. “Now look at it.”

A Feed The Hungry team visited the tent city to provide food and assess ongoing needs. The last thing they expected was a man waving a U.S. passport! Bryce explained he was a Haitian-American from New York. When he learned several of his family members were killed in the quake and the rest were displaced, he immediately went to Haiti to try to help. Sadly, he was trapped in the tent city with his remaining family, enduring the hardships along with them. His faith in Christ gave him strength to keep going.

The FTH team was able to provide food and water for Bryce’s family, and the hope of further resources.



As they went on their way, the team reflected on how many millions of people outside of Haiti, like Bryce, were affected by the earthquake through their loved ones.

The Courage to Praise

The FTH team held a praise service at our partner ministry’s Love A Child medical clinic, and the presence of God was powerful!

Worship erupted in sincere praise of our great God and savior from men and women who were sick and dying; and some who were handicapped. The medical clinic, that night, was holy ground.

How many of us wondered afterward, if we’d have the courage — and the faith — to do the same?

Your gifts in action

By April, three months after the earthquake, your generosity had already provided more than 350 tons of relief supplies...and the work goes on! Hundreds of tents, brand new pots and pans, and Bibles supplement the food and clean water being distributed. These are your gifts in action in Haiti!

Please keep praying for the valiant people of Haiti, that their faith will stay strong. Now that the initial panic has worn off, we’re beginning to see a return of familiar challenges, government corruption, and other obstacles to meeting basic needs. Your prayers can avail much! And please continue to support Feed The Hungry programs during a rebuilding process that will take years! ■



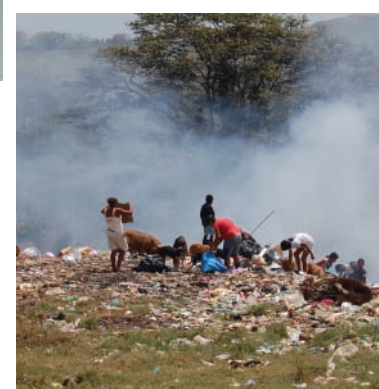
Partnerships with local churches continue to be an effective way to distribute aid in Haiti.

Serving God in Unity

The exciting story of one mission trip to Nicaragua



The Feed The Hungry team (above) filled hundreds of family food packs for local churches to give to people like Coco and her boys (left, top right) and the children who scavenge in the Bluefields dump (bottom right).



Coco's building doesn't look like much. The roof leaks. The kitchen is nothing but a fire pit and two pots. You won't find mattresses to sleep on...and no bathroom. In America, this structure would probably be condemned. But it has one thing Coco values more than a mansion: a good, strong lock on the door.

The lock is there to protect her boys, in a neighborhood where prostitutes solicit clients right outside her door. There are 12 boys, because that's as many as she can take care of right now. Some have been abandoned by their families. Others ran away to escape the beatings. None of the children can afford to attend school.

They must work for a living — shining shoes or selling gum. Coco herself runs a small clothing shop, and spends every penny she earns to feed the boys. It's often not enough.

Meeting Coco was a pivotal experience for the Feed The Hungry volunteer team that traveled to Nicaragua last spring. All twenty-one people cried as they listened to this big-hearted woman talk about her dreams for the boys. All felt a renewed sense of purpose as they headed out to share food and the Gospel with the people of Nicaragua.

One stop included the garbage dump outside Bluefields, where children scavenge for food and anything

they can sell to make a little money. The team had assembled 350 family food boxes, and now they watched as local pastors reached out to their own community. Every box offered another opportunity to build a lasting relationship and share Christ.

It's a model that works. Feed The Hungry has been active in Nicaragua for 10 years now, and many churches have seen their outreach expand tremendously. Pastor Angel Guyona of Bluefields New Jerusalem Church dreams of launching an *Every Child Every Day* ministry in his community soon.

In the end, more than the poverty, more than the suffering, the team



was left with an impression of how effective we can be when we work together as the Body of Christ. Church teams from overseas came to Nicaragua with food for the local churches to distribute — church to church, pastor to pastor, building a ministry of unity. The team themselves, from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds, unified under the single purpose of bringing glory to God by helping the Nicaraguan people.

And as children came running from every corner of that Bluefields dump, bowls in hand, the team resolved they'd be like Coco — and care for as many as they could. Pray for our expanding work in Nicaragua, where the new goal is to increase from 700 children fed every day, to 1,000, as soon as possible! With your help, we can! ■

If you'd like to join a Feed The Hungry mission trip and **see the impact of your gifts** in person, call Lamar Austin at (574) 291-3292 today.

What About Coco?

Two special donors, one bold commitment

Jason Jackman didn't really understand his wife's passion for Feed The Hungry. But if Amy wanted a mission trip to Nicaragua as a 40th birthday present, he was willing to go along.

Arriving in Nicaragua, Jason was sure he'd made a mistake. "What are we doing here?" he asked Amy. And then the couple met Coco.

Suddenly, Jason was just as convinced as Amy! As she explains, "My husband and I were open to God's calling and He led us to Coco and the street children in Bluefields. They live in such deplorable conditions! We vowed to work with Feed The Hungry to support Coco and improve the lives of the children.

"On our mission trip, we saw first-hand how the pastor to pastor program works. Pastor Guyona is doing remarkable things in Bluefields and the surrounding villages. It is obvious that God is working through him to bring many people to Christ. Through him, we were able to distribute over 350 family packs of food!"

Thanks in part to Jason and Amy's commitment, trip leader Lamar was able to say to Coco, "You don't have to worry about food anymore. We will take care of it." Coco wept as she thought of being able to provide more for the boys in her care.

Jason and Amy demonstrate beautifully how individual people can have a huge impact. All it takes is compassion and a willingness to serve. Thank you, Jackmans!



Jason & Amy Jackman's Nicaragua trip transformed their lives... and the lives of others!

Healing in the Aftermath of War

Every Child Every Day in Liberia

At 12 years old, Emmanuel brings a whole new meaning to the term “youth pastor.” He’s a long way from where he was just three years ago...

During the recent war in Liberia, Emmanuel’s parents sent him away from the city, into the country, for safety. For several years he had no news of them. When he was finally able to go home, he discovered both his parents had been killed in the fighting.

Emmanuel was only nine when he came to an orphanage run by Pastor Allan Klayee of Liberty Christian Outreach. A withdrawn boy, Emmanuel would never talk to other children and often ran away from adults.

But at the orphanage, this shy boy was introduced to Jesus, and found a new Father in God. He could attend school, and proved to be a quick learner, especially when it came to Bible study. And he couldn’t wait to share what he’d learned! Soon he was preaching about God’s love to the other children, and anyone who would listen!

Emmanuel’s orphanage, and eight others run by Liberty Christian Outreach, depend on Feed The Hungry fortified rice meals. Pastor Allan can easily point out 30 children whose lives have been saved by those meals, including toddler Mercy, who nearly died despite all the orphanage could



do. As soon as she began eating fortified rice meals provided by generous people like you, her little body finally filled out and she became a healthy, happy child!

These are the miracles you make every time you pray and give to *Every Child Every Day*. Today, Pastor Allan dreams of expanding his ministry to the poor children at local schools since there are many in need of support. All he needs is the food. Will you help supply it? ■

Prayer Needs

In your time of prayer, please remember:

- The children of Liberia, and all who protect them, as they try to rebuild their war-shattered nation.
- All pastors everywhere preaching the Gospel to hearts that need to hear.
- Feed The Hungry mission trip volunteers who travel to the “front lines” of the battle against hunger — pray for their safety, their effectiveness, and their ongoing commitment.

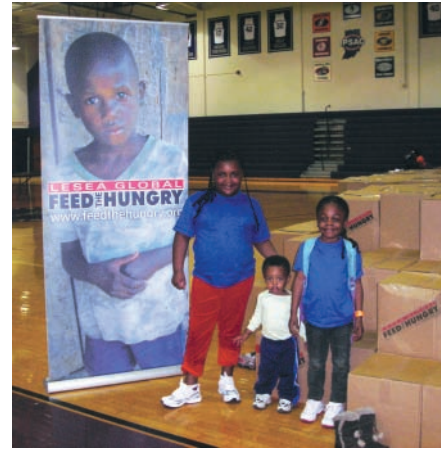
Helping Hands

Restoring hope and dignity in the U.S.



No March Madness Here!

A terrific team of volunteers assembled in mid-March to fill 2,010 family food boxes for distribution in Indianapolis, Indiana. Local agencies identified the families in need, and the boxes were distributed as part of the NCAA 2010 Final Four basketball community days. A special thanks to everybody who helped make this outreach to struggling families possible. Together, we brought a little of God's peace to "March Madness!" ■



Seeds for Hope

Hope is growing — literally — in parts of Michigan and Indiana hard-hit by the recession. This spring, your support helped us hand out thousands of free seed packets to families and community organizations wanting to grow their own food. And while growing fruits and vegetables is a healthy way to save money, the benefits are rooted even deeper.

In fact, a Goodwill in South Bend has used Feed The Hungry seeds to start its own "Unity Garden," providing work, food, and self-respect to local people in need of help.

"Coming [to a food pantry] to get food was something I really didn't want to do," a man named Phil explained. "But it's getting hard." To Phil the seed packets represented the chance to feed his own family...and restore his dignity. "I had an old roto-tiller from my mama and we tilled up half of the yard," he says with a smile.



Another seed recipient had just lost his job permanently, and was gripped by fear that he and his family would go hungry. He plowed up his entire yard before coming in to receive his seeds, with tears in his eyes.

Linda is raising her six grandchildren... and their healthy appetites. "It will save on money when it comes to fresh vegetables and fruit," she said, gratefully examining the seeds.

Thank you for helping to sow hope! Pray that these seeds, given in Jesus' Name, will grow into a harvest of people committed to Him! ■



Hope on Wheels in Haiti!

A special thanks to the generous donors who funded a relief truck for Haiti! The truck, which cost \$15,800 to provide, is a huge blessing as it transports supplies and personnel across the earthquake-ravaged area.



Is God Calling You?

Is God calling you to meet a big need? Feed The Hungry urgently needs a military-style aid truck in Sierra Leone, at a cost of US \$15,000–\$18,000. According to the U.S. Department of State, in Sierra Leone “road conditions are hazardous and serious vehicle accidents are common.” This heavy-duty truck will ensure crucial aid will get where it needs to go!



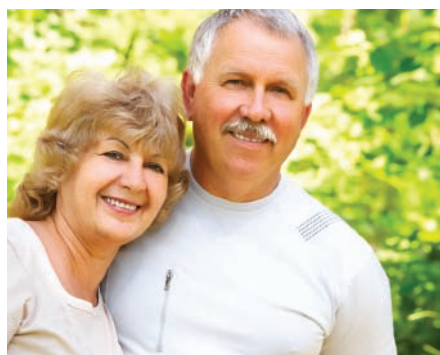
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Estate Planning for Everyone

More than 70% of Americans do not have a current will. Many feel the process is too complex, or the documents too expensive. Others are not sure of their goals and objectives.

But estate planning is part of good stewardship — your opportunity to leave a God-honoring legacy when you go to be with the Lord. Estate planning is for everyone!

We want to help you. We've teamed up with PhilanthroCorp, a Christ-centered estate planning firm, to provide you a variety of helpful information on our website, www.feedthehungry.org/Get-Involved, under the “Planned Giving” link. Here, you'll find facts on estate planning, tax-efficient giving strategies, referrals to Christian attorneys, and more. Get started today!



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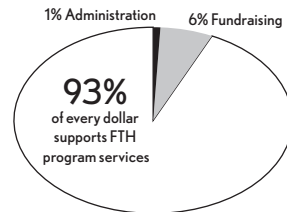
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