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Episcopal Relief & Development to Launch *NetsforLife*[®] Inspiration Fund Campaign

Malaria is a common tropical disease transmitted through mosquito bites that kills nearly one million people each year.

Episcopal Relief & Development is launching a new campaign to support its *NetsforLife*[®] program partnership to prevent malaria in sub-Saharan Africa.

NetsforLife[®] has saved lives in 15 countries by reaching more than 2.1 million people with community awareness training and mosquito nets.

With a goal of \$5 million, the Inspiration Fund campaign will enable *NetsforLife*[®] to deliver five million more nets and raise malaria awareness in a total of 17 countries.



You can help *NetsforLife*[®] save lives!

- ◆ **Make a donation now at <https://www.er-d.org/donate-select.php>, or call (800) 334-7626, ext. 5129.**
- ◆ **Support the *NetsforLife*[®] Inspiration Fund with a campaign in your church or diocese. Please contact Episcopal Relief & Development at (800) 334-7626, ext. 5129, or externalaffairs@er-d.org.**

See reverse side for more details.

NetsforLife[®] Inspiration Fund to Combat Malaria

Episcopal Relief & Development is launching a new campaign to support the work of *NetsforLife*[®], our program partnership to fight malaria in 17 countries across sub-Saharan Africa.

- ◆ Each year, malaria kills nearly one million people—the vast majority children under age five.
- ◆ 90% of all malaria deaths occur in sub-Saharan Africa.
- ◆ Africa loses an estimated \$12 billion in productivity annually due to malaria.

History of Success

- ◆ In collaboration with Jubilee Ministries and the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church, Episcopal Relief & Development launched the MDG Inspiration Fund, which raised over \$3 million in the last triennium to support the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).
- ◆ Of the \$3 million, \$2 million was allocated to *NetsforLife*[®] and \$1 million to support integrated health efforts in Latin America.
- ◆ In its first phase (2006-08), the *NetsforLife*[®] program partnership:
 - Reached more than 2.1 million people in 15 countries
 - Distributed more than one million long-lasting insecticide-treated nets
 - Trained 6,000 community volunteers in malaria prevention awareness

The Episcopal Church General Convention

In July 2009, the 76th General Convention passed Resolution D019, which among its points:

- ◆ Reaffirms the Millennium Development Goals as a Church mission priority through 2015;
- ◆ Requests 0.7% of nongovernment revenue (approximately \$800,000) in the 2010-12 General Convention budget to support the MDGs;
- ◆ Resolves that the 0.7% revenue request will support a *NetsforLife*[®] Inspiration Fund campaign, administered and led by Episcopal Relief & Development with a goal of \$5 million.

NetsforLife[®]: Saving Lives, Together

- ◆ A program partnership of corporations, foundations, NGOs and faith-based organizations, *NetsforLife*[®] uses an integrated model of malaria prevention focusing on:
 - Raising awareness about malaria prevention through networks of women and youth
 - Distributing nets to remote areas unreached by government services
 - Followup to ensure that awareness training programs are working effectively
 - Providing malaria patients with testing and medical care
- ◆ In Phase 2 of the program, the partnership will deliver five million more nets, provide training and raise community awareness in a total of 17 countries.

How You Can Help

While the official campaign hasn't yet begun, you can support the work of *NetsforLife*[®] today:

- ◆ Begin planning a local campaign for your church or diocese. Informational materials will be available in the near future—please stay tuned.
- ◆ Make a donation designated to the Malaria/*NetsforLife*[®] Fund:
 - Call (800) 334-7626, ext. 5129, to make a gift by credit card.
 - Visit <https://www.er-d.org/donate-select.php>.
 - Mail a check to Episcopal Relief & Development, P.O. Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058.

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