

Celebrate Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday



Support Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday During Lent

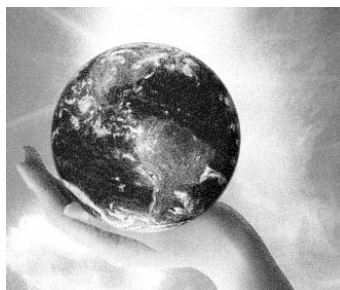
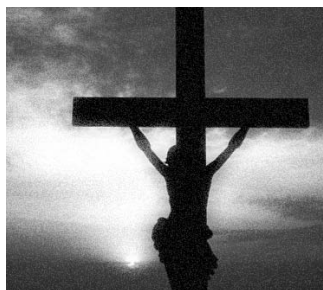
At the 2009 General Convention, Lent was officially designated as a time to encourage dioceses, churches and individuals to remember the work of Episcopal Relief & Development. We invite all Episcopalians to join together on **February 21, or another convenient Sunday during the Lenten season**, to pray for people impacted by poverty and disease worldwide as we remember Jesus' life-saving act and sacrifice. Please also consider dedicating a special gift toward our mission to assist those who live in need.

You can support Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday by making a contribution to a plate offering or mailing the attached response form with your gift. Participating in this event is a simple way for your congregation to help raise awareness in your church and convey Jesus' love to a world in need.

How you can help

Episcopal Relief & Development's 2010 Lenten Meditations was developed by Sister Claire Joy of the Community of the Holy Spirit. She has generously blessed us with the gift of her time and talent. With the theme "Healing ourselves and a hurting world," the devotional readings encourage us to reflect on our lives and those of our sisters and brothers around the world.

As you begin your Lenten journey, Episcopal Relief & Development asks you to remember your neighbors who are suffering. Consider how your own brokenness can impart compassion and motivation to help others overcome the challenges of sickness, poverty and hunger. Use the Lenten devotional to reflect on your faith and the ways in which you can help Episcopal Relief & Development empower vulnerable people. The Lenten discipline of almsgiving is an opportunity to take action and renew your commitment to those in need.



All artwork from 2010 Lenten Meditations, courtesy of Sister Claire Joy of the Community of the Holy Spirit

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During this Lenten season, please consider making a donation to Episcopal Relief & Development.

Your generous gift will:

- **alleviate hunger and improve food supplies** for people who struggle to have enough to eat on a daily basis
- **create economic opportunities** that enable women and men to earn a living and strengthen communities to be able to meet the needs of families
- **promote health and fight disease** through medical care, prevention education, clean water and sanitation
- help us **respond to disasters and rebuild communities** in the face of emergencies such as hurricanes, floods, earthquakes and civil war

Gifts can be designated for Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday by completing the form below. Your contribution today supports us and our worldwide program partners in helping people overcome disease and poverty. To learn more about our work, please visit www.er-d.org.

My Lenten Response

During this time of reflection, I want to answer Jesus' call to serve those in need and help heal a hurting world.

Enclosed is my Lenten gift to Episcopal Relief & Development:

- \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$1,000 \$2,500 \$5,000
 Other \$ _____

Please make checks payable to:
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