



The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund of the Anglican Church of Canada

The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund grew out of Anglicans' generous response to the mining disaster in Springhill, Nova Scotia, in 1958. Now, as we are still celebrating 50 years of PWRDF, we are challenged to respond to one of the worst natural disasters – the earthquake in Haiti. Again, we can demonstrate God's healing power in a broken world **as we pray with St. Teresa of Avila** "*Christ has no body but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours...**"

PRAY

- for the survivors, the injured, the destitute, the orphans;
- for all relief and development workers; for doctors and nurses;
- for the workers of ACT Alliance in Haiti
- for the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti

ACT

- organize a fundraising event
- provide specific and detailed information to parishioners
- read "Why we Must Cancel Haiti's Debt", www.pwrdf.org Jan. 25
- sign a petition for debt relief at www.avaaz.org or www.one.org/international/actnow/haiti/

GIVE

in thanksgiving for God's grace and love to us and all His children in Haiti"

- write a cheque to your parish, earmarked 'Haiti'; (if donated by Feb. 12, it will be matched by the Federal Government;
- or mail a cheque to PWRDF, 80 Hayden Street, Toronto, ON M4Y 3G2
- or phone Jennifer Brown at PWRDF, 1-866-308-7973.

Information Update January 27, 2010

- The Episcopal Diocese of Haiti is caring for close to 23,000 Haitians in at least 21 encampments around the earthquake-devastated country.

Bishop Jean Zaché Duracin writes: "Please tell our partners... that we in Haiti are immensely grateful for their prayers, their support and their generosity... This is a desperate time in Haiti; we have lost so much. But we still have the most important asset, the people of God, and we are working continuously to take care of them."

Most of the diocese's 254 schools, ranging from preschools to a university and a seminary, were destroyed or heavily damaged, as were most churches, including the Holy Trinity complex of primary, music and trade schools adjacent to the demolished diocesan Cathédrale Sainte Trinité (Holy Trinity Cathedral) in Port-au-Prince.

- PWRDF is a member of ACT Alliance and financially supports its relief and development work in Haiti. On the ground are five operational relief organizations from Britain, Norway, Germany, USA and the Lutheran World Relief.

A water purification system from Norway, , with pipes, filters and pumps, is giving crystal clear water to 10,000 people in the Belair neighbourhood of Port-au-Prince.

More equipment has been sent to Jacmel where ACT is distributing tones of relief materials, including four million water purification tablets, jerrycans, blankets and enough healthcare kits to last 10,000 people three months.

Tents, food, medicines and clearing equipment have been distributed in several smaller communities outside of Port-au-Prince which tend to be left out by the larger relief organizations.

Tented camps have been set up in a soccer stadium in the Santa Teresa area of Petionville.