



**The Primate's World
Relief and Development Fund**
A Lenten program

This program is designed to give you a daily reflection of the work of PWRDF. Each day of Lent (not including Sundays, as a Sunday is celebrated as a mini-Easter) has a short piece of information on a partner or piece of work, followed by three bullet points inviting you to pray, act, and give. The prayer will be a personal reflection of your own blessings, the action will be a reading of scripture, and the giving is an invitation to respond to your reflective prayer.

09 March

PWRDF supports refugee programs in Kenya that focus on youth, sex trade workers who are refugees as well as those from the host communities, and vulnerable urban refugees. PWRDF partner, the National Council of Churches in Kenya, focuses on integrated reproductive health services at the Kakuma refugee camp, with an estimated refugee population of 75,000, and for sex trade workers who are prepared to leave the sex trade.

- *For many uneducated or unskilled women, there is little or no employment outside the sex trade. Give thanks for social services in Canada that aim at helping women in need find safe and legal employment.*
- *Read Ruth 3:1-5*
- *Donate one dollar for every woman in your family who enjoys security outside the sex trade.*

10 March

PWRDF receives CIDA funding to enhance a partnership with Jagorani Chakra Foundation in Bangladesh. The foundation's Women's Empowerment Livelihood and Family Assistance Program (WELFAP) works with disadvantaged children to protect them from sexual exploitation and disease, and creates a social environment that gives children the opportunity for education and integration into society so that they can become well adjusted young adults. The WELFAP program also supports primary health care services, legal aid services and income generation activities for women.

- *WELFAP's mission is to ensure sustainable livelihood options and promote rights of women and their children through access to education and other essential socio-economic services. This program directly impacts some 1,700 of the poorest in Jessore Municipality. Give thanks if you never had to feel the humiliation of extreme poverty.*
- *Read Mark 10:13-16*
- *Donate one dollar for each of your children.*

11 March

PWRDF partners with 4 Canadian Aboriginal organisations' undertaking Indigenous language recovery and cultural preservation initiatives: Kanien'kehaka Onkwawen:na Raotitiohkwa Cultural Centre (Quebec), Nuu-chah-nutlh Economic Development Cooperation (BC), First Nations Adult and Higher Education Consortium (Alberta) and Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq (Nova Scotia).

- *Economic, social, and human indicators of well-being, quality of life and development are consistently lower among Aboriginal people than other Canadians. PWRDF's partners work to improve these conditions. Give thanks for your comparatively high standard of living.*
- *Read 2 Samuel 23:2-4*
- *Donate one dollar for every language you speak.*

12 March

PWRDF carries out a significant amount of public engagement work through its participation in a wide range of ecumenical alliances both in Canada and internationally. These include: World Council of Churches, Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance, KAIROS – Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiative, Action by Churches Together (ACT) Alliance, Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Canadian Churches in Action, Canadian Council for International Cooperation, and Canadian Council for Refugees, OikoCredit, The International Civil Liberties Monitoring Group, The Canadian Council for Refugees, and The Canadian Ecumenical Anti-Racism Network.

- *The spirit of ecumenical action celebrates how denominations are similar in their mission and ministry rather than focusing on differences. By combining efforts, small churches or organisations can accomplish much. Give thanks for the alliances and connections your church celebrates.*
- *Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-26*
- *Donate one dollar if your parish is in any way involved in ecumenical action (i.e. Ministerial, World Day of Prayer, etc.)*

14 March

PWRDF receives CIDA funding to enhance a long-time partnership with the Diocese of Bujumbura in Burundi. The Diocese is implementing a Community Integrated Health Program which focuses on preventative and primary health care in the districts of Bitare and Rumongue. The program serves more than 30,000 people and provides quality health services in maternal and child health, nutrition, food security, and HIV education and care.

- *PWRDF Community Health programs address 4 of the Millennium Development Goals: end poverty and hunger; reduce child mortality; improve maternal health; combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases. Give thanks that you do not suffer from any of the 8 areas of the MDGs.*
- *Read Micah 6:8*
- *Donate a quarter for each Millennium Development Goal.*

15 March

The Board of Directors of the PWRDF consists of 4 Officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer), 9 additional Members, 3 International Partners, an Indigenous Canadian Partner, and Representative from the Youth Council and ELCIC. Members are elected in 3-year terms with consideration to regional representation, gender equality, laity/clergy balance, and meeting the need for specific skill sets. The Board participates and makes decisions for the overall good of PWRDF.

- *Board members meet twice annually, with the Executive Committee granted authority in between meetings. Board members participate in subcommittees, such as the gender equality team, finance committee, audit and risk management committee, etc. Give thanks for the ongoing work of the Board of Directors to offer the direction for PWRDF's mission.*
- *Read Philippians 1:3-11*
- *Donate one dollar if you can identify one member of the Board of Directors*

16 March

Since the democracy uprising of August 1988, the Burmese civic society groups who fled the country continue to defend democracy and citizen's rights. PWRDF partners with 4 organisations on the Thai-Burma (Myanmar) border. The Women's League of Burma focuses on women's rights and solidarity among ethnic groups; The Committee for Protection and Promotion of Child Rights registers births of Burmese children born to migrant workers and refugees; Drug and Addiction Recovery Education Program (DARE) works in treatment and prevention of drug and alcohol addiction; Alternative ASEAN Network on Burma carries out advocacy and human rights campaigns.

- *There are more than 140,000 Burmese refugees in camps along the Thai-Burma border. Partners aim to improve basic living conditions and human dignity in these cramped and near-hopeless places. Give thanks for your freedom.*
- *Read Jeremiah 29:4-7*
- *Donate a quarter for every family member who has the freedom to cross borders.*

17 March

In Peru, PWRDF works with three partners. Project Counselling Services and the Christian Centre for Promotion and Services work in the impoverished Department of Huancavelica, seeking to rebuild local leadership and organisations destroyed by the internal armed conflict of the 1990s, in an ongoing context of economic crisis. The Ecumenical Parish Centre Rosa Blanca is an HIV and AIDS partner working on women's rights programs.

- *The Centre Rosa Blanca challenges stigmatization by including HIV-positive people at all levels. One program director commented "Being included here gave me the will to continue living." Give thanks for what gives you the will to continue living.*
- *Read Psalm 118:13-18*
- *Donate a quarter for each good friend (non-family member) who gives you a reason to smile today.*

18 March

PWRDF responds to global emergencies through its membership in Action by Churches Together (ACT) Alliance. ACT Alliance is a global ecumenical alliance that has strong roots within local communities affected by emergencies and responds quickly when disaster strikes. ACT provides PWRDF with an effective mechanism to respond to emergencies anywhere in the world, as they happen. Local organisations have the knowledge, trust, and capability to work with affected populations in the long term around rehabilitation and reconstruction.

- *ACT Alliance is the new link of ACT Development and ACT International, recognising the importance to collaborate between disaster relief and development work. ACT Alliance is based out of the World Council of Churches in Geneva, Switzerland, comprised of more than 100 member agencies and working in 140 countries. Give thanks for our aid donations which have the capacity to reach their intended source so quickly.*
- *Read Ephesians 6:10-17*
- *Donate a quarter for everything “Swiss” you can think of.*

19 March

Two PWRDF partners, Africa Canada Forum (a Working Group of the Canadian Council for International Cooperation developing collaborations with some 40 institutions) and Africa Files (a Canadian-based network of volunteers), work on advocacy and research on Africa related issues. PWRDF is also an active member of the Africa Canada Forum.

- *PWRDF is an active voice in the world, engaging in many conversations aimed at helping our brothers and sisters in Christ. Give thanks for your right to speak, and to be heard.*
- *Read Colossians 4:2-6*
- *Donate a quarter for every person you spoke with today.*

21 March

PWRDF receives CIDA funding to enhance a partnership with UBINIG, Policy Research for Development Alternatives in Bangladesh. UBINIG works to enable poor farmers to reach their goals of a healthy ecosystem and a healthy way of life. The focus of the program is on educating the community to protect the biodiversity that will ensure a healthy balance of the eco-system, leading to improved health and sustainable food production.

- *Through UBINIG, 200 midwives have been trained to deliver quality primary and maternal health care, providing advice and linking informal and formal health sectors. They also offer advice on the benefits of good nutrition and biodiversity based agriculture in improving overall community health. Give thanks for the knowledge that is shared among women through stories and experience; celebrating local programs and networking opportunities for mothers.*
- *Read Luke 2:6-7*
- *Donate fifty cents for every baby shower you attended this year.*

22 March

In Guatemala, PWRDF partners with three organisations who are seeking to socially and politically empower women in their communities and society: Madre Tierra, Ixmucane, and the Ecumenical Women’s Network of CIEDEG.

- *These agencies strive to include women, as equals, in areas of justice and development, responding to: human rights abuses against Indigenous Guatemalans, relief and development following Tropical Storm Agatha, and systematic abuses against women. Give thanks for the rights of women to be equals within Canadian society.*
- *Read: John 4:7-30*
- *Donate a quarter for every female in your family who is empowered to be a full member of your community.*

23 March

PWRDF is served at local levels by Diocesan and Parish Representatives. Diocesan Reps are volunteers appointed by their bishop. These representatives, along with the Board of Directors, are voting members of the corporation. They are mandated to strengthen PWRDF's diocesan partnership relationships through speaking engagements, involvement in action and advocacy initiatives and participation in governance. Diocesan reps are gathered together regularly for networking, capacity building and engagement with partners and staff. Parish Reps, through storytelling, fundraising and awareness raising initiatives, help to strengthen PWRDF as a vital part of the ministry of the whole parish.

- *PWRDF representatives help to share information so that Canadian Anglicans are aware of the underlying causes of poverty and injustice in the world and invites them to come together to act for change. Give thanks for the PWRDF Reps in your parish and diocese.*
- *Read John 13:12-17*
- *Donate one dollar if you know your parish PWRDF rep. Donate one dollar if you know the Diocesan Rep. Donate an additional dollar if your parish has held a PWRDF Sunday in the past year.*

24 March

When a disaster strikes within Canada, dioceses can seek assistance from PWRDF. The diocese assesses the situation and develops a response plan (complete with budget), based on impact and need. PWRDF and the diocese then jointly issue an appeal, and PWRDF forwards designated donations to the diocese to implement, monitor and evaluate the disaster response plan.

- *An example of Canadian disaster relief took place following the floods of Sept. 2010 in the Kwakwaka'wakw First Nation community of Kingcome Inlet (BC). Give thanks for the response of Canadian Anglicans for other Canadians, which is the history of PWRDF's creation.*
- *Read Genesis 7:12-22*
- *Donate one dollar if your church building has not suffered disaster this year.*

25 March

PWRDF is supporting the rural development work of the Directorate of Social Services of the Anglican Church of Kenya. This work includes areas of primary health, food security, gender, and HIV/AIDS. Programs link health with food security, clean water, and nutrition. In specific, the food security component provides training for farmers on new sustainable agriculture and labour saving techniques that help them grow food in more effective ways.

- *Clean water is a luxury for the majority of people around the world. Basic needs include a local source for safe drinking water and access to proper sanitation. Give thanks for safe and plentiful water.*
- *Read: Amos 5:24*
- *Donate a quarter for each faucet in your home (include bathtubs, outside spouts, etc.)*

26 March

PWRDF receives CIDA funding to enhance a partnership with The Church of Bangladesh, which works with communities to provide primary health care, non-formal and formal education, and micro-credit services. Farmers are encouraged to embrace eco-agriculture and sustainable forestry. The Church of Bangladesh focuses on the empowerment of women and youth around their human rights and the revival and preservation of tribal (Indigenous people's) culture and heritage.

- *The different institutions of the Church of Bangladesh include two hospitals, ten clinics, four nursery and forty-four primary schools, three junior and four senior high schools, two trade schools and a craft centre for girls. Give thanks for accessible education at all levels within your community.*
- *Read: Proverbs 16:16-17*
- *Donate one dollar for every school you attended.*

28 March

In Cuba, three ecumenical PWRDF partners (Martin Luther King Jr. Centre, Cuban Council of Churches, Christian Centre for Reflection and Dialogue) work in areas of food sustainability, community organisational strengthening, gender training, and HIV/AIDS education and prevention.

- *Though Cuba remains a popular tourist destination, the Communist state has a less than admirable record of respect for human rights. PWRDF's partners work in some of the poorest areas to help improve the way of life for Cubans. Give thanks for living in a democratic society where rights are respected.*
- *Read Acts 6:3-6*
- *Donate one dollar if you were eligible to vote in the last election.*

29 March

PWRDF is a founding member of Canadian Churches in Action (CCA), an informal alliance of 10 Canadian church-based groups. The CCA initiative emerged out of the December 2004 tsunami response, in which 4 Canadian church agencies (incl. PWRDF), all members of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, collaborated for a joint response to the ACT Appeal. CCA allows us to collaborate with other member agencies for non-food responses, including access to grants from external agencies such as CIDA, the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation, and the Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation.

- *CFGB and CCA allow PWRDF networking and collaborative opportunities with Canadian partner agencies that also serve as platforms to discuss various issues, challenges, and trends in emergency response. Give thanks for the ease and benefit of networking.*
- *Read Psalm 133*
- *Donate one quarter for each time this week you visited a social networking website.*

30 March

PWRDF receives CIDA funding to enhance a partnership with the Diocese of Masasi in Tanzania. The diocese carries out a grassroots development program that focuses on maternal and child health, nutrition and food security, clean water and sanitation, protection of the environment, and works to combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other preventable diseases. The Masasi Health program covers more than 11 villages, 36,400 people. The diocese is constantly looking for effective and innovative ways to respond to the needs of the community.

- *Most cooking in rural Tanzania takes place on wood or kerosene stoves. The solar oven project is one example of how the diocese is responding in a creative way to the environmental problems caused by deforestation. Give thanks if you have a safe and reliable means of cooking.*
- *Read 1 Kings 17:12-16*
- *Donate fifty cents for each appliance you cook on or in (oven, stove, BBQ, microwave...)*

31 March

PWRDF is engaged with two partners in Sri Lanka. MONLAR (Movement for National Land and Agricultural Reform) is a network of farm organisations focusing on developing an alternative sustainable agrarian development approach. Gami Seva Sevana promotes environmentally friendly organic agriculture.

- *PWRDF is exploring potential new partnerships in Sri Lanka that would strengthen response to current socio-economic and political challenges in Sri Lanka while protecting and celebrating the agricultural way of life. Give thanks for the agricultural land and community in which you live.*
- *Read Exodus 23:16*
- *Donate a quarter for every farming family you support (through prayer, assistance, buying local, etc.)*

01 April

As the world sees an increase in the number and devastation of natural disasters, Canadian Anglicans are responding more generously to special appeals by PWRDF. In 2010, an unprecedented amount of designated funds were given for international relief and development work following earthquakes (Haiti, Chile), floods (Pakistan, Brazil), and tropical storms (Guatemala). PWRDF responds with 4 stages of emergency response: relief (providing basic needs), rehabilitation (making it safe for families to live in the area), reconstruction (rehabilitation on a community level), and sustainable development (long-term improvement and growth).

- *While some agencies focus only on immediate relief, PWRDF carefully tracks expenditures to ensure that all four stages of emergency response will be met, thereby identifying the long-term well-being of a community as a priority. Give thanks for sustained caring in your life.*
- *Read Psalm 23*
- *Donate one dollar for each natural disaster of 2010 that you remember.*

02 April

In Nicaragua, Christian Medical Action carries out innovative community-based health programs on the Atlantic Coast and in the rural department (province) of Matagalpa. Poverty-stricken farmers are involved in programs to improve overall health, including significant improvements against domestic violence (one of the region's most significant health risks).

- *CMA is a long-time partner of PWRDF, and a direct link can be made between program delivery and health improvement. Almost 50% of those receiving their services are able to break the cycle of violence. PWRDF is proud to support this life-saving work. Give thanks for the absence of domestic violence in your life.*
- *Read Tobit 8:4-6*
- *Donate a quarter for every woman in your family who does not suffer domestic abuse.*

04 April

In the Philippines, the mobilisation of farmers, the urban poor and Indigenous populations to form self-supporting, grassroots organisations is given much attention. Community based groups empower communities to address human rights issues and socio-economic development. PWRDF follows two models of partnership: the Philippines Advisory Group and the cluster model (where local organisations are grouped together in a cluster to allow aid to benefit several sectors within a community).

- *Groups or clusters of organisations allow communities a voice with which to protect and develop their own environment. Give thanks for the many organisations and groups that form the social, political and professional components of your community.*
- *Read James 1:1-8*
- *Donate fifty cents for each group or organisation to which you belong.*

05 April

Cooperation Canada Mozambique (COCAMO) and CAIXA das Mulheres, (Micro-Credit Women's Cooperative) tackle rural poverty by addressing public health, maternal and child health, malaria, HIV/AIDS and micro-finance for women. PWRDF support of these partners secures the expertise to develop and maintain these micro-finance programs that benefit close to 4,500 women in Northern Mozambique and the capacity of local NGOs to better raise awareness on gender issues and gender justice.

- *Without micro-finance options, many women would not be able to maintain funds to provide basic care for their families. Give thanks for your ability to access regulated banking.*
- *Read Exodus 22:25-27*
- *Donate one dollar for every bank account or investment you maintain.*

06 April

PWRDF's historic partnership with the Anglican Church of Melanesia currently involves support for the implementation of an agricultural development project in the Diocese of Ysabel (Solomon Islands). The project generates employment in the community as well as improves food security.

- *To ensure future effective administration of funds for the Pacific, PWRDF plans to initiate dialogue with churches in Canada, Australia and New Zealand to respond to the needs of the Pacific communities more collectively. Give thanks for the numerous churches in your neighbourhood, who all work for the betterment of society.*
- *Read Acts 16:1-5*
- *Donate a quarter for each church you have visited in the past year.*

07 April

In 2007 PWRDF joined the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, a Canadian ecumenical association of fifteen church-based agencies working towards ending hunger in the Global South. CFGB receives \$ 25 million annually from CIDA as matching funds to projects by its member agencies. As a CFGB member, PWRDF is now able to draw down such matching funds for food response programs and to collaborate with other member agencies on selected projects.

- *CFGB, based in Winnipeg, engages in all areas of food justice, including international aid, policy engagement, and educational initiatives such as the Food for Change fast and Youth Food Study tours. Give thanks, in this time where food prices continue to skyrocket, for the mission and ministry of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.*
- *Read Matthew 14:15-21*
- *Donate one quarter for each can of food in your pantry that originated in a different country.*

08 April

PWRDF receives CIDA funding to enhance a partnership with SALAMA, a civic organisation that working in the health sector in 4 districts within Mozambique since 1994. SALAMA aims to improve and extend quality health services for the rural population, especially women and children. The program focuses on training in malaria protection, sanitation, nutrition, child and maternal health, reproductive health, and HIV/AIDS.

- *SALAMA has built "Mothers in Waiting Houses", where pregnant women from surrounding villages (as much as 100km) may come to prepare for the birth of their children, thus providing a safe and clean environment. As a result, child mortality is decreasing. Nearly 11,000 women and newborns benefitted from these houses in 2009. Give thanks for your access to multiple modes of transportation in an emergency.*
- *Read 1 Kings 19:5-8*
- *Donate a quarter for every mode of transportation you have (other than walking). Include non-motorised options such as boats, bicycles, skis, etc.*

09 April

The PWRDF staff are dedicated individuals from a variety of backgrounds. Only 16 in number, they work tirelessly to establish and maintain partnerships, develop monitor and evaluate programs, ensure financial responsibility, engage with the public, and any other duties as required. Based in Church House in Toronto, the PWRDF staff ensures that their work is celebrated as an Anglican means to living out our baptismal vows.

- *PWRDF staff are always happy to meet with Anglicans to answer questions and share the good news stories of their work, whether in Toronto or across the country as they journey to meet with all Anglicans. Give thanks for the amazing gifts and skills of the PWRDF staff.*
- *Read Matthew 6:31-34*
- *Donate one dollar if you have seen the work of staff in the church (i.e. promotional materials, guest speakers, etc.)*

11 April

PWRDF has two main partners in South Africa. The John Wesley Community Centre provides counselling, accompaniment, meals and after-school programs for AIDS orphans. Temba Community Development Services offers hospice and support services to people with AIDS – 75% of whom recover sufficiently to return to their communities. They also address violence against women.

- *The presence of community support without judgement or stigma is essential at all levels of health. Give thanks for the people you surround yourself with, who would be present if you were ill.*
- *Read Matthew 8:1-4*
- *Donate an amount of your choosing to celebrate your health.*

12 April

In Mexico, PWRDF supports the Indigenous maternal health programs carried out by K'inal Antzetik. PWRDF helps the Centre for Women's Human Rights provide legal services to victims of violence. PWRDF supports the Paso Del Norte Human Rights Centre in Ciudad Juarez as they defend human rights.

- *In Ciudad Juarez, rows of pink crosses placed in the desert represent victims of femicide: a woman murdered for her gender. Some 3000 murders were reported last year alone. Ciudad Juarez has been identified as the world's second most dangerous city. PWRDF stands in solidarity with those who pray for an end to the war. Give thanks for your security in your home and community.*
- *Read Numbers 22:24-26*
- *Donate a quarter for each lock in your home – on doors and windows.*

13 April

PWRDF supports one refugee program in Gaza and the West Bank, run by the Department on Palestinian Refugees (DSPR) through KAIROS. The DSPR program provides health services to the most impoverished Palestinian refugees.

- *While the politics around the Israel/Palestine issue remain controversial, the need for refugee health care is not. Give thanks for the availability of free medical care to those in need in your community.*
- *Read John 5:2-9*
- *Donate one dollar for each prescription medication you take.*

14 April

PWRDF supports the Diocese of Gitega's Rural Integrated Program; the Development Office and Mother's Union in Bujumbura Diocese; and the National Council of Churches of Burundi. Partners work with some of the most marginalised people in the country to address basic needs, peace and human rights, food security, and HIV/AIDS with a focus on vulnerable female teenagers.

- *For PWRDF partners, gardening is the main food source not a hobby. Food security programs work with farmers to improve access to locally available seeds, ensuring seed security in case of emergency. Give thanks for the fertile land in our community, and the abundance of food that is grown here.*
- *Read Genesis 1:11-12*
- *Donate a quarter for each garden tool you own.*

15 April

PWRDF works with long-time partner Organisation for Eelam Refugees Rehabilitation (OfERR) to accompany refugees in India and Internally Displaced Persons in Sri Lanka. OfERR has identified education and health care as being priorities and has focused its energy on supplementing the education and health needs of these refugees and internally displaced persons.

- *A refugee is someone who has had to flee their home to a different country; an internally displaced person is someone who has had to flee their home but remains within their home country. In both cases, refugee or IDP camps are unpleasant places without security, comfort, and often, hope. Give thanks for the refugees who have come to Canada and enrich our society. .*
- *Read: Exodus 16:1-3*
- *Donate a quarter for each year you have lived in your current home.*

16 April

The PWRDF Youth Council advises the *justgeneration.ca* Facilitator and Public Engagement Staff with direction, priority setting, and implementation for the Youth and Young Adult program. Members of the Youth Council participate in developing and sustaining the *justgeneration.ca* network of Anglican youth throughout Canada. Council members are involved in resource production, speaking engagements and leadership training events.

- *The young men and women of PWRDF Youth Council demonstrate that they are not the future of the church, but are acting as the present of the church. Give thanks for the youthful energy and enthusiasm towards peace and justice.*
- *Read 2 Esdras 6:31-33*
- *Donate one dollar for young people in your community.*

18 April

PWRDF partners with two Canadian Aboriginal organisations working to carry out women and youth health programs: The Kainai Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Committee (Alberta) and the Nishnawbe Aski Nation (Ontario).

- *The “Girl Power” program addresses good health for women in the Nishnabi Aski Nation. The results from the program have been better than expected, including a decrease in suicide, addiction, teen pregnancy, school dropouts, obesity, and incarceration. Give thanks for the role of First Nations in Canada.*
- *Read Proverbs 16:20-24*
- *Donate a quarter for each trip to a doctor you made last year.*

19 April

PWRDF supports the refugee ministry of the Anglican Church of Cairo that supplies refugees with monthly food packages, clothing, preventative and curative health care, and legal aid for refugees and asylum seekers.

- *Without a valid passport and visa, refugees are not able to work legally, and so could not survive without generous aid. Give thanks for social services in Canada that act to prevent similar challenges.*
- *Read Matthew 2:13-15*
- *Donate one dollar for every member of your family who holds a valid passport.*

20 April

PWRDF partners with regional groups in the Asia/Pacific area whose work covers a variety of social justice issues (such as the hundreds of thousands of refugees and displaced persons, the unequal status of women, inadequate rights surrounding migration, extreme poverty [2/3 of the world's poor live here] and environmental displacement). They include the Asia-Pacific Research Network, Mission for Migrant Workers, Asia Pacific Indigenous Youth Network, and St. John's Cathedral HIV Education Centre (Hong Kong).

- *PWRDF's focus on partnerships empowers local people to take leadership in their region. This encourages program sustainability and community support. With local staff all resources can be directly injected into programming. Give thanks for partnerships.*
- *Read Deuteronomy 1:13-15*
- *Donate fifty cents for each regional social justice agency you are aware of that services your community.*

21 April

Both Congo and Sudan are undergoing severe human-made crises. PWRDF supports the advocacy, peace and human rights work of two partners through KAIROS: Les Heritiers de la Justice (Congo) and the Sudan Council of Churches.

- *Advocacy not only brings attention of outsiders to an issue, it offers a sign of solidarity and hope to those trapped within an unbearable situation. This work assures that victims are not alone in their suffering and that their lives are worthy of attention and respect. Pray for those who speak out publicly in Congo and Sudan, often at the risk of their life.*
- *Read Psalm 72*
- *Donate a quarter for every member of your family who lives in peace.*

22 April

In El Salvador, the Committee Against AIDS (CoCoSi) is a youth-led organisation providing education and support on sexual and reproductive health. PWRDF supports their program with rural peasant women.

- *CoCoSi youth, born as refugees in Honduras during the Salvadoran civil war, returned to El Salvador and struggled for their education and health rights. They are committed to educating the poor and preventing the spread of HIV/AIDS in El Salvador and Honduras. Give thanks for the leadership of youth in your community!*
- *Read: Jeremiah 1:5-10*
- *Donate fifty cents for each young leader you know.*

23 April

PWRDF projects through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank include: OfERR India (providing food and nutrition to Sri Lankan Tamil refugees in India); OfERR Ceylon (a feeding ration for people displaced by war in northern Sri Lanka); Temba House (providing nutritional care to people affected by HIV and AIDS in South Africa); Anglican Church of Kenya (food aid to communities affected by drought and famine); Diocese of Masasi, Tanzania (a school feeding program during a food shortage); and contributions to programs of food aid and agricultural production initiatives in Zimbabwe, Afghanistan, the Philippines and Pakistan in communities affected by floods, storms, and conflicts.

- *In many places the food supply is greatly affected by factors beyond the control of the people. Food activist Vandana Shiva articulates that control of food is "the best way to control the populations of the world." Give thanks that PWRDF contributes to making food secure and accessible.*
- *Read Genesis 47:13-24*
- *Donate one dollar for each meal you ate today.*