

Your Harvest & Advent Giving

PROJECTS IN URGENT NEED OF YOUR SUPPORT IN 2013

Dear Rector

I am writing to ask you to focus your harvest and advent giving towards the work of the Bishops' Appeal. Currently, we have applications for many urgent and invaluable projects around the world but we are unable to fund them due to financial constraints.

Some dioceses already have a specific Bishops' Appeal project. Of course, donations received from these dioceses will be directed towards their existing link projects.

However, if you do not have a specific link project we would urge you to prioritize contributing to our General Fund or our Syria Appeal.

Examples of General Fund projects are: agricultural training and support in Ethiopia and Uganda (Christian Aid, CMS), HIV and holistic health programmes in India (Friends of Hope), trafficking prevention and aftercare in Cambodia (Tearfund), land rights for Indigenous people in Argentina (SAMS) and gender based violence education and support in Zambia (Us).

In Syria, we continue to support the work of Tearfund and Christian Aid for all those internally displaced families and for those who are refugees in Iran and Lebanon.

Contact and information details are on the right hand side.

Many thanks for your support,

+Patrick Tuam — Chairperson of Bishops' Appeal



Serving God; Serving the Poor; Serving the Church

Celebrate Harvest:

234 million people have been hungry in Africa in 2013

Growth in Agriculture is more than twice as effective as growth in any other sector.

Bishops' Appeal would like to support CMS, Tearfund and Christian Aid agricultural self help groups in Uganda and Ethiopia. Please join us this Harvest.

Advent Reflections:

As we reflect upon the journey of Jesus' parents, the difficult circumstances of Mary's pregnancy and birth and their subsequent flight into Egypt we remember:

47% of women in Zambia have experienced gender based violence, mainly in the home and at school

2 million people are refugees as a direct result of the fighting in Syria

Please send donations to: Church of Ireland House, Church Avenue, Rathmines Dublin 6

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