

CALL TO ACTION

TAKE ACTION ON WORLD FOOD SUNDAY

Sunday October 16th is World Food Day. It's our chance to speak out for the 900 million people round the world who go hungry every day. And especially for the 12.4 million people in the East and Horn of Africa who are in urgent need of humanitarian help.

It's also our chance to make the case for food security – so that every person in the world has enough nutritious food for themselves and their families.

This pack has some resources you might like to use:

- **Letter to go to your representative** – this could be a community leader, local councillor, district commissioner, Member of Parliament. Or it could be a church leader. The request is for that person to take it to Government to make sure that your voice is heard. The letter has a space for people to write their own views – which will give the letter much more impact. The letter is for use in the run-up to World Food Day, or on the day itself – Sunday October 16th. *There are lots of activities you could plan around the letter. You can organise letter-writing meetings in the run up to October 16th, or distribute them in Church on the day. You can organise a "Walk of Witness" with church members and clergy walking together to deliver the letters to the local authority offices, or to your MP, or to a church leader. Use the poster blanks in the pack. Tell the media so that they can provide publicity and more people will hear your message.*
- **Children's letter** – this is for use in Sunday school in the run-up to or on October 16th or at primary school. Younger children can just colour in the pictures and draw one of their own. Older children can write a prayer. *The letters can be delivered or posted to a local figure. Or the prayers can be read out in church and the letters can be displayed on a notice board or on your church website.*
- **Blank posters** to fill in to publicise events or collections for famine victims. *Organise a meeting or special event to talk to local leaders about food security. Ask them what they intend to do about the call to action. Tell your local media.*
- **Details of the famine appeal by the Council of African Provinces of Africa. Hold a special collection for the appeal.**

You can find a special Bible study and prayers on food security on the Anglican Alliance website.

You can find lots more suggestions for activities on our partners' websites. See the Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance handbook on their website www.e-alliance.ch

Whatever you do please let us know so we can learn from your experience and share in your strength.

