# Facts About Hunger

Over three million children die each year from malnutrition and hunger related causes. That's over 8,000 each day.

In the U.S. more than 11 million children live in "food insecure" homes.

Nearly half of the population in developing countries live on less than \$1.25 per day.

# Two-Coins-A-Meal invites you to:

Contribute a few coins every meal. Remember the needs of others in prayer. Learn more about hunger in your community, nation and world.

Experience the power of Christians working together in response to Jesus' command, "Give them something to eat!"



# Impact in Niger

With previous grants in the past four years, the EERN:

- Opened 11 grain banks
- Sites in four different regions
- Assisted 120 families / year *This year:*
- The EERN hopes to establish four more banks in new villages.
- Lake Huron has been a great supporter of this cause, but we want to encourage new congregations to participate.
- If we can double our contributions from last year, we can fully support the growth of these four new banks.







# A Hunger Ministry of the Congregations of the Presbytery of Lake Huron

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#### What is Two-Coins-A-Meal?

"Two Coins" is a small step in the battle against hunger and poverty. Congregations invite every member of all ages to contribute a few coins at every meal. This simple act is an expression of thanksgiving for what we have received. When the members bring their offering to church on the appointed Sunday, all of those coins "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" as they are received and dedicated.

# ....I was hungry and you gave

me food.... Extreme hunger is a reality today for many. Matthew 25 challenges us to respond as if Christ were hungry. There is enough food in the world for everyone, but because of poor access, extreme weather, and political instability, families and communities are suffering from lack of food.

### Partners against Hunger

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With food crises common in Niger, there is no year when all regions of the country have enough food. Our partner church, **The Evangelical Church of the Republic of Niger (EERN)**, has established grain banks in villages to provide them with a healthy coping strategy. Training is provided, and millet is supplied to stock the banks. Each family that participates initially is able to borrow a bag of grain to plant their fields. Once the crop is harvested, the bag of grain is returned to the bank so that others can obtain grain in the future. For more, visit: http://www.presbylh.org/committees/

# Your "Two Coins" Offering And Its Life-giving Impact

50%

50% of your offering will be used to support church partners in the Evangelical Church of the Republic of Niger (EERN) establish cereal (grain) banks in rural communities experiencing extreme hunger. Farmers are able to borrow grain from the banks to plant their fields, and then repay in grain after the harvest.

25%

25% is designated to the Presbyterian Hunger Program to respond to the crisis of hunger in the United States and around the world. PHP addresses hunger by providing direct food aid by helping poor and hungry people help themselves through development assistance.

25%

25% is designated by your congregation to meet hunger needs in your local community

Let's commit ourselves as disciples to generosity, for we have been blessed and are called to be a blessing....

