# What Catholics say...

"Black Catholics are concerned about hunger—whether it is in Ethiopia or Evansville. Bread for the World provides one of the best ways I know to translate that concern into effective action."

James Henderson
 Executive Director
 National Office of
 Black Catholics

"Bread for the World offers one important way U.S. Catholics can implement the Gospel call to feed the hungry. This Christian citizens' movement brings together faith and citizen action as creatively and effectively as any group I know."

—Most Rev. James P. Lyke, OFM Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland

"At some point giving to relief agencies and cooking for soup kitchens just isn't enough. Through Bread for the World we can participate in building a nation and a world in which institutions and policies rooted in justice enable all people to feed themselves."

—Arlene McGarrity
Former BFW District
Coordinator

"Thanks to Bread for the World, Christians will never again be able to content themselves only with alleviating hunger by means of a food handout. Bread for the World has demonstrated that feeding the hungry has passed from a work of charity onto one of justice."

> Joseph Nangle, OFM Conference of Major Superiors of Men

"Bread for the World educational and legislative efforts are a valuable resource for persons and groups that are committed to act to end world hunger."

Lora Ann Quiñonez, CDP
 Executive Director
 Leadership Conference of
 Women Religious

# Bread For The World Members: Changing National Policies

Can Christian citizens working together change U.S. policy and help hungry people? The following examples illustrate that we can.

Africa Famine Relief.

In 1984, Bread for the World members led a nationwide campaign that flooded Washington with letters and petitions calling for increased famine relief. The result was congressional passage of the Africa Relief and Recovery Act, appropriating \$800 million for famine relief—enough food aid to feed ten million hungry people for almost a year!

#### Child Survival Fund.

Bread for the World members have been a key force behind efforts to improve the health of the world's poorest people and reduce the death rate among infants and children in developing countries. In 1984, our efforts prompted Congress to create a special

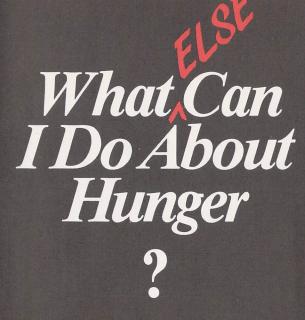


Child Survival Fund. This fund financed \$25 million in basic health improvements—and saved the lives of a quarter of a million children—in its first year.

#### Preventing Hunger at Home.

Bread for the World members also have obtained policy changes that help hungry people in the United States. In 1983, a nationwide letter-writing campaign prompted both houses of Congress to pass Preventing Hunger at Home resolutions by overwhelming margins. As a result, funding levels for key food and nutrition programs were maintained after two successive years of cuts. And the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) was given a \$300 million funding increase, allowing it to serve 450,000 more women and children than in the previous year.







# Christian Citizens' Movement Against Hunger. We're Bread For The World...

# A Unique Response To Hunger

Today, tens of thousands of individual Christians—Protestant, Catholic and Evangelical are lifting up the needs of hungry people to our national leaders in Washington. We are members of Bread for the World—the only Christian citizens' lobby that focuses solely on hunger.

As individuals, we work in local feeding ministries and give to our churches' hunger appeals. But we also know that a single decision by Congress or the President can undo-or multiply many times over—the good our voluntary contributions do.

So, as Bread for the World members, we use our influence as citizens to support national policies that will meet the immediate needs

of hungry people and address those problems



## A National Citizen Action Network

## Bread for the World members are active.

- We write, call and visit our members of Congress.
- We speak to church and community groups about hunger.
- We focus media attention on hunger issues.
- We organize hunger education and training events.

#### Bread for the World members are motivated and nurtured by faith.

- We feel called to respond to Christ's command to feed the hungry.
- We reflect the full denominational diversity of the body of Christ.
- We rely on our faith for the strength to keep working when others may become tired or discouraged.

### Bread for the World members are informed.

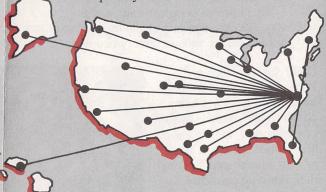
- We receive a monthly newsletter that alerts us when our members of Congress need to be contacted.
- We receive special educational materials about the root causes of hunger.
- We have access to national staff members for additional information and resources.

#### Bread for the World members work together.

- We form "Quickline" telephone networks to respond to fast-moving events in Washington.
- We worship, study and write letters together.

## Bread for the World members are making a difference.

- We help our elected representatives understand how their decisions affect hungry people.
- We obtain specific legislative changes that help hungry people.
- We seek to make the elimination of hunger a major national priority.



## A Way to Put Your Faith into Action

There is something else that you can do about hunger! You can become a member of Bread for the World and use your influence as a Christian citizen to change national policies.

Far too many of our sisters and brothers still go without daily bread. The love of Christ calls each of us to do everything in our power to help. Membership in Bread for the World offers you a unique, targeted and effective way to respond.

So please join with us...Today!



## YES, I want to join Bread for the World and use my influence as a citizen to change national policies and help hungry people.

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