Lent week 3 Climate Action

Emergency Relief

Holy God,
earth and air and water are your creation
and every living thing belongs to you:
have mercy on us
as climate change confronts us.
Give us the will and the courage
to simplify the way we live,
to reduce the energy we use,
to share the resources you provide,
and to bear the cost of change.
Forgive our past mistakes, and send us
your Spirit, with wisdom in present
controversies and vision for the future to
which you call us in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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All around the world, climate change is worsening the impact of natural disasters such as hurricanes, typhoons, cyclones and wildfires.
When vulnerable communities are hit, PWRDF partners with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, ACT Alliance, Anglican Alliance and other relief agencies to respond quickly and effectively. Urgent needs include food, clean water and shelter.

When Cyclone Idai tore through Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Malawi in 2019, not only were crops wiped out, so were seeds for planting. Anglicans responded to PWRDF's Cyclone Idai appeal and donated \$127,355. As a member of the Foodgrains Bank, our funds were eligible to be matched by the Government of Canada through the Humanitarian Coalition appeal. Foodgrains Bank members raised \$1.4 million, almost 40% of the total matched funds.

In September 2019, PWRDF joined the Foodgrains Bank and our Zimbabwean partner TSURO Trust, support from the government of Canada, to distribute seeds to 4,910 families so they could grow food for their communities.

TSURO Trust,
Zimbabwe
Canadian Foodgrains
Bank
Government of Canada



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Seed distribution
to restore crops
destroyed by
Cyclone Idai

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Scripture

1Corinthians 12-14

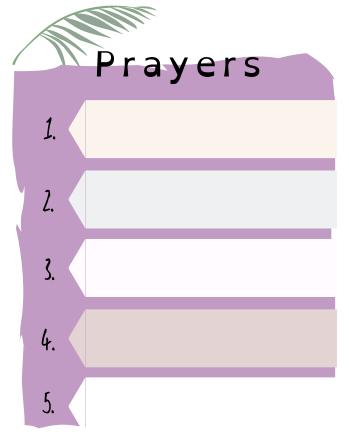
Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

Wonderings

What does it mean to be part of the body?

What does the body look like?

How does being part of one body help us to help others?



Reflection

You can learn more about PWRDF Emergency Relief here:

https://pwrdf.org/?s=emergency+relief https://foodgrainsbank.ca/

