



## Development, Advocacy, Justice & Peace Building

Global Hunger and Development Appeal (GHDA) is *In Mission for Others*—in your community, in your synod, and throughout Canada and the world.

GHDA is the primary means by which the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) raises money for relief, development, advocacy, justice and peace building work. ELCIC members are encouraged to respond through weekly stewardship to the needs of the poor, the disenfranchised and the marginalized in Canada and around the world.

GHDA receives and distributes the regular donations of ELCIC members to fund ongoing projects. Through GHDA we are able to use what God has entrusted to us in the service of our most needy neighbours. By supporting GHDA, members help the ELCIC to achieve its vision of being a church *In Mission for Others*.

# In Mission for Others

### Developing Education Resources and Programs

- GHDA assists ELCIC synods and congregations to better understand how GHDA is a part of their stewardship and the witness of the ELCIC.

### Together

By supporting GHDA, you are *In Mission for Others*. With each gift you are making a difference for a multitude of people in Canada and throughout the world.

GHDA helps people help themselves by addressing the causes of poverty and contributing towards helping people to improve their lives in their community.

### Supporting International Development Projects

- Approximately 70% of undesignated donations are directed toward relief and international development through Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR).

### Emergency Assistance

- When you respond to a special appeal for disaster assistance, 100% of your donation goes to that appeal.
- Thanks to an anonymous gift in 2000, an Emergency Disaster Response Fund was established. This fund allows GHDA to allocate funds immediately when an emergency occurs and then replenish the fund with the donations which are contributed through church-wide appeals.

### Addressing Poverty in Canada

- Synod GHDA committees are given annual grants equal to 9% of the synod's GHDA gifts to support local and congregational projects that address poverty. Past projects have included food banks, out-of-the-cold emergency housing, community suppers, urban ministries, preventative health care and literacy programs. For further information on funding applications, please contact your synod office.
- Through GHDA, funds are used to support the KAIROS: Anti-Poverty Fund (previously PLURA).

### Advocacy and Education

- The Lutheran Office For Public Policy (LOPP) assists the ELCIC by responding to issues of public policy such as the international debt crisis, structural adjustment programs, child poverty, homelessness and human rights issues.
- Supported in part by GHDA, KAIROS: Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives is dedicated to promoting human rights issues, justice and peace.

# Others

## *In Mission for Others— With Partner Organizations*

By working in partnership with other organizations, GHDA can make your gifts go even further. When you donate an undesignated gift, the ELCIC is able to allocate the funds to satisfy the objectives of GHDA.

GHDA partners with the following organizations:

### Canadian Lutheran World Relief

CLWR receives the largest share of GHDA funds, a portion of which supports the projects of ELCIC World Mission partner churches.

### KAIROS:

#### Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives

KAIROS seeks to unite churches and religious organizations in faithful ecumenical response to aboriginal rights, Canadian social development, ecological justice, global economic justice and international human rights issues.

### ELCIC Synods

GHDA seeks to support synod projects, programs and activities that lead to awareness of the issues of hunger and poverty as well as to solutions.

### Lutheran Office For Public Policy

LOPP assists the ELCIC by responding to and addressing crucial social and public policy issues.

### Other Partners

- Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)
- Project Ploughshares
- Church Council on Justice and Corrections (CCJC)

## How can you be *In Mission for Others* with GHDA?

### Learn More

**Online:** Visit the GHDA website at [www.elcic.ca/ghda](http://www.elcic.ca/ghda)

**In Canada Lutheran:** The back page of every issue features a project or need that is currently being addressed by GHDA

**Via Email:**

- **GHDA News Releases** provide information on specific appeals
- **Healing and Hope**, a monthly e-newsletter, provides information about issues and needs around the globe that call out for Christian intervention—subscribe online at [www.elcic.ca/ghda/enews.html](http://www.elcic.ca/ghda/enews.html)

### Donate

**As an individual:**

- Add your gift to your regular congregational giving and designate it to GHDA
- Make a cheque payable to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, designate it to GHDA in the memo portion and send it to the following address: ELCIC, Attn: GHDA, 302–393 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 3H6
- Click on the **Donate Now** button on the GHDA website ([www.elcic.ca/ghda](http://www.elcic.ca/ghda)) to donate online through the secure website at [www.CanadaHelps.org](http://www.CanadaHelps.org) and designate your gift to GHDA (Note: When you donate online **CanadaHelps** receives 3% of each gift to cover administration cost.)

**Together:**

- Your congregation can also budget an annual gift



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*In Mission for Others*  
to:

alleviate hunger

uncover & understand the causes  
of hunger and poverty

walk with the poor to find solutions  
to these injustices