






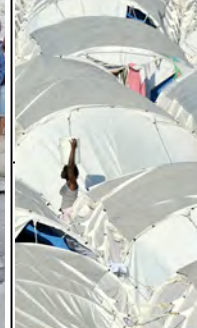




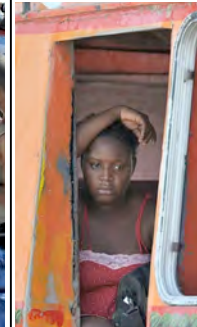


2010 One Great Hour of Sharing Calendar

Westwood United Methodist Church invites you to take on a new Lenten practice. Join United Methodists everywhere by participating in this special offering that supports the vital work of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing lay the foundation for UMCOR to seek justice and mercy for suffering people everywhere. Gifts to this offering underwrite UMCOR's "costs of doing business." That helps UMCOR keep the promise that 100% of every other gift made to a specific UMCOR project can be spent on that project. Follow the calendar below during Westwood's One Great Hour of Sharing period, from Ash Wednesday through the 4th Sunday in Lent, March 14th. Each entry suggests an offering -- your family can decide what "coin" is best for your situation each day -- pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, half- or whole dollars.

The images* in the calendar are by the Rev. Paul Jeffrey, United Methodist Missionary and photojournalist. Each photo highlights the difficulties facing individuals and families in Haitian communities following the devastating 7.0 earthquake that rocked the Caribbean island nation on January 12th.



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Monday February 22	Tuesday February 23	Wednesday February 17	Thursday February 18	Friday February 19	Saturday February 20	Sunday February 21
PRAYER						
 <p>Psalm 104: 31-34 "May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; may the LORD rejoice in his works — who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD."</p> <p>Generous and loving God, thank you for your love and care. You have blessed us with [your blessings and gifts]. You call us to do good and to share what we have. Today we offer a gift to UMCOR's One Great Hour of Sharing, and pray especially for [today's entry]. Strengthen, bless, and provide needed assistance. Help us to see the needs around us and to show through our actions what happens "if we act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God." Amen.</p>		 <p>A survivor gives her daughter a bath amidst the rubble. Water remains in short supply following the devastating quake.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each time someone bathed in your home this week.</i></p>	 <p>Silvani Joseph, 48, carries debris as she and her neighbors begin to build temporary shelters.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each wall in your home.</i></p>	 <p>Caitland, 8, carries water home. After the quake, home is a refugee camp. The camp houses 100s of families receiving medical care and other services.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each doctor appointment in 2009.</i></p>	 <p>Women line up for food from the World Food Program during a massive distribution in Port-au-Prince.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each meal the members of your household ate this week.</i></p>	 <p>A woman walks through a "tent city" for homeless families set up in the Belair neighborhood of Port-au-Prince.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each household on your block.</i></p>
 <p>Faces masked because of the smell of decomposing bodies trapped in the rubble, survivors walk in Port-au-Prince.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each hospital you can name in LA County.</i></p>	 <p>Survivor Rose, 10, lost both legs when her orphanage collapsed. Here she gets a hug from Maura Senfre, a volunteer from the Dominican-Haitian Women's Movement.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for every teacher you have/had.</i></p>	 <p>Mexican rescue workers embrace with cries of joy after 70-year old Ena Zizi is pulled alive on January 19 from the rubble.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for every fireman or rescue worker you've ever talked to.</i></p>	 <p>An aid packet of clothing, hats, a flashlight and batteries is handed to a man in Dabonne during a distribution of relief supplies.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each Health Kit built on Jan. 31.</i></p>	 <p>A woman is seen riding a bus, reportedly fleeing Port-au-Prince in search of safety and better food security in the countryside and smaller towns.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each bus or taxi seen today.</i></p>	 <p>People line up for the distribution of 34 tons of relief supplies from a European NGO alliance; the plane was not allowed to land until Jan. 20th.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each grocery item purchased this week.</i></p>	 <p>Participants in a Port-au-Prince, worship service for survivors of the January 12 earthquake that ravaged the nation.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each participant in today's worship service.</i></p>

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Monday March 1	Tuesday March 2	Wednesday March 3	Thursday March 4	Friday March 5	Saturday March 6	Sunday March 7
 <p>Refugees enjoyed safe water for the first time on January 21 after Norwegian Church Aid installed a piped-water system.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each faucet in your home and for each used today.</i></p>	 <p>Port-au-Prince's main harbor was crippled, complicating the task of getting assistance to the hundreds of thousands of homeless survivors.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each trip you took out of your home this week.</i></p>	 <p>A ruined market in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, which was rocked by a devastating earthquake on January 12.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each store where you shopped for Christmas.</i></p>	 <p>Survivors huddle in tents and makeshift shelters in a soccer stadium; victims have given "street" names to the narrow passages between their shelters.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for every street sign seen today.</i></p>	 <p>Jouly (9) ran back into her house during the quake to save her one-year old sister; the house collapsed on them both. They were rescued later the same day.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each of your siblings.</i></p>	 <p>A boy flies a kite in a camp for homeless families in Jacmel, a town on Haiti's southern coast.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each toy or game in your home and each app on your phone.</i></p>	 <p>A woman holds a candle during a mass in the shadows of the ruins of the Roman Catholic Cathedral devastated in the earthquake.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each person taking communion in the sanctuary today.</i></p>
March 8	March 9	March 10	March 11	March 12	March 13	March 14
 <p>A woman signs a receipt book upon receiving a package of food and other emergency supplies.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each check written this week and each bill in your wallet.</i></p>	 <p>A man scavenges for metal in the devastated center of Port-au-Prince, Haiti.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for every bag of trash your household filled this week.</i></p>	 <p>Commercial activity is slowly recovering, as seen by an increasing number of vendors on the streets of Port-au-Prince.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each fresh fruit or vegetable consumed in the household today.</i></p>	 <p>Marie Sylsvalve, a survivor of Haiti's Jan. 12 earthquake, rests with her child born Jan. 24 in a camp for homeless families.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each new baby that you know born in the last 2 years.</i></p>	 <p>A girl practices plays the tambourine during a capoeira session; a Brazilian NGO program to help children recover their emotional well-being.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for every pastor or psychologist you know.</i></p>	 <p>A girl washes laundry in a camp in Port-au-Prince for families left homeless after the quake.</p> <p><i>Give one coin for each load of laundry done this week. Give two coins for each load done while smiling.</i></p>	 <p>Thank God for your many blessings and that your gifts, added with so many others through the One Great Hour of Sharing offering, can make a remarkable difference.</p> <p>TOTAL: \$ _____</p>

DAILY LENTEN DEVOTION: Act justly. Love mercy. Walk humbly.

- Read the day's entry in the Sharing Calendar. Discuss the situation described and its relationship to your household.
- Read the theme passage for UMCOR's One Great Hour of Sharing 2010, Micah 6:8
And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.
- Invite each member of the household to describe an experience of "sharing" since the last devotion.
- Consider your household's Sharing Calendar for the day, and calculate your family's gift.
- Offer a prayer for the Haitians highlighted in the Sharing Calendar.