

The Sharing Way
Annual Project



GOOD FOOD HEALTHY CHANGE



Hunger is the world's
number one **health risk**

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THE WORLD WAS stunned a few years back when the number of hungry and undernourished people reached 1.2 billion. In rough figures this means that one in seven people today do not have enough to eat.

At CBM, we feel that there is something ethically wrong in tolerating widespread hunger as inevitable. We work with church partners who are located in the communities of the bottom billion in countries like Bolivia, the Democratic Republic of Congo, El Salvador, India, Kenya and Rwanda.

We are committed to reducing hunger through food security projects – where families have relative confidence in their ability to produce adequate food or earn money to purchase food necessary for a healthy life.

We work with farming families who have relatively small plots of land on which they can grow crops. It is tragic to see the plight of those who grow food not being able to provide basic daily food for their family. They face challenges such as global climate change, drought, lack of access to credit, rising costs of petroleum base fertilizers, government policies that favour big business and large land owners, to name a few.

Through CBM's The Sharing Way, your generous donations support food security projects which:

- Train people in sustainable farming practices, including soil conservation, kitchen gardens, composting, bio-fertilizers, and effective water collection and usage.
- Generate income and improve nutrition through projects such as bee-keeping, vegetable production, goat-keeping, and poultry.
- Create cooperatives and provide simple post-harvest techniques for food storage, processing and delivery to market.



GOOD PLANTING

A farmer's success in Kenya

"I cannot put into words what you have done for us," says Keziah with a big smile. "I am grateful for your good work. I pray to God to forever remain your guiding star as you work tirelessly to shine light to many who are in darkness."

Keziah can't believe how her life has been changed by the CBM food security project in her area. Just a year ago, she wasn't sure how she'd feed her family, but now she grows cassava, sweet potatoes, maize and beans in her garden. She's been able to feed her family and even produce extra to sell.

In addition to receiving seeds, tools and training in sustainable agriculture, Keziah was encouraged to help conserve the environment by using a small, energy-efficient stove. "I am able to cook faster using less firewood...and the kitchen is also very safe for my small child as the fire is covered," says Keziah.

Keziah now considers herself a steward of God's land. "Through the trainings I came to realize that I am just a tenant and need to take care of God's land. I covered a portion of my land with mulch and sure enough, the harvest was better than other sections."



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MOVING FROM EMERGENCY RELIEF TO FOOD SECURITY

Nine-year-old Anne and her family live in a region in Kenya hit by a severe drought and famine in 2009. Food costs escalated. They and other farmers were devastated. They lacked funds to purchase food and were forced to travel long distances to find water. An emergency relief program was



quickly put in place by CBM, Canadian Foodgrains Bank and a local partner, the African Christian Church & Schools. This led to the development of a food security project to help families like Anne's become more resilient and healthy.

* CBM is one of the founding members of CFGB - a network of 15 churches and church agencies representing 32 denominations working together to end global hunger.

Share **COMPASSION** for the **POOR** and **HUNGRY** today

Your support of The Sharing Way's food security projects will empower more people to have healthy, hopeful lives. Partner with the world's hungry in four key ways:

PRAY. Keep the hungry families in the world in your prayers. May they see God's loving intervention in their desperate circumstances.

GIVE. Serve as an effective steward of the resources that have been entrusted to you. Give generously. Help stem the tide of hunger in our world through programs that share the compassion of Jesus for the poor and hungry. Donate online today at www.cbmin.org or call 905.821.3533. See address below to mail in your donation.

LEARN. Research the effects of hunger and the positive impact of food security. Visit us at www.cbmin.org for more information on The Sharing Way's food security programs.

ADVOCATE. Participate in Canadian Foodgrains Bank's *Recipe to End Global Hunger* and encourage our government to keep the world's hungry a priority in policy decisions. Order your free postcards today by emailing communications@cbmin.org.

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In the event of a particular project being oversubscribed, or where local conditions prevent program implementation, CBM's The Sharing Way will redirect your donation to another program that helps people in need.

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