

please do so as soon as possible so you can receive your Study/Action Packet and technical information as required and/or make arrangements for CEU credits.

USE WORLD FOOD DAY TO REACH YOUR POLICYMAKERS

The national office helps open the doors from the White House to city hall, but you can use WFD to say to your mayor, your governor, your members of Congress, your government officials -- from your local USDA Extension Agent to the President -- . . . "we want food security in our world . . . we want just policies for all . . . we will support you if you act . . . use WFD to state your position."

The House Select Committee on Hunger has introduced language for the 1990 Farm Bill that calls for an annual WFD report on food security. NASA is offering a new school resource. The Virginia Congress on Hunger has made arrangements with Gov. Wilder to tape a video promotion for World Food Day in Virginia . . . and another one that can be used in any state. (You can request a copy of their tape through the WFD national office . . . or persuade your own governor to do the same.) This is an election year. Use WFD for a candidates' forum; to publish answers to a candidates' questionnaire. Make WFD the occasion for annual food policy statements by officeholders or school officials at your community forum or teleconference site.

COMMITMENTS TO ACTION

" . . . our [food bank] will make World Food Day a success in our 27 county area!"

" We will offer the teleconference to 28 sites in southeastern Michigan."

"Our eighth grade class has written and hopes to have passed legislation which will save the lives of many of the earth's creatures. . . ."

" . . . our students come from underprivileged backgrounds and are well acquainted with hunger . . . we hope to encourage campus-wide participation . . ."

The quotes are from four of the hundreds of letters we receive from you . . . our WFD community organizers . . . so we know you are **USING THE DAY** but all of us must remember that "the more it is used the more useful it becomes" -- all year!

USE IT . . . in worship
 . . . in education
 . . . in political action
 . . . for starting/expanding
 community services
 . . . to support
 sustainable development
 . . . to build
 international relationships

The challenge for everyone including those on both sides of the "line in the sand" is **FEEDING MORE PEOPLE and FEEDING (some) PEOPLE MORE**. Whether we speak of an individual, a community or the world, food as the basis of life can be a uniting force . . . and World Food Day -- which is observed worldwide -- can be also . . . if we use it. . . prayerfully . . . creatively . . . substantively.

CALL OR WRITE AND TELL US HOW YOU ARE USING WFD THIS YEAR. WE NEED TO KNOW TO HELP OTHERS . . . AND SO WE CAN SHARE THE FULL, IMPORTANT STORY WITH THE MEDIA.

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