



# GLOBAL FOOD CRISIS FUND

## 2013 Global Food Crisis Fund Allocations

### Church of the Brethren

Caribbean: Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization (ECHO) Conference     \$ 4,400.00

*Scholarships were given to 24 agricultural workers from across the Caribbean to attend ECHO's first Caribbean-wide agricultural development conference held in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.*

Democratic Republic of Congo: Banana and Cassava Project     \$ 5,000.00

*Supporting the efforts of a group calling itself Eglise des Freres de Congo (Church of the Brethren in Congo) through providing land and seed plants for displaced hunter-gatherer tribes*

Dominican Republic: Organic Fertilizer for Coffee Farmers     \$ 1,000.00

*Together with New Ground Coffee Company of Fort Wayne, Indiana, funds were provided to purchase organic fertilizer for two coffee farmer associations with ties to Dominican Brethren church communities.*

Haiti: Agricultural Mini-Grants     \$30,000.00

*Walking with L'Eglise des Freres (Church of the Brethren in Haiti) agronomists to provide small grants for communities involved with water systems, livestock watering ponds, seed banks, grain mills and passing on the gift goat projects*

Honduras: “Producing to Grow” Animal Raising project	\$40,600.00
<i>Working with Proyecto Aldea Global to provide chickens, pigs or fish to 54 families Workshops on animal health, nutrition, and production are an important part of this project.</i>	
Nigeria: Improved Seeds and Poultry Initiative	\$20,000.00
<i>Partnering with Ekklesiyar Yan’uwa a Nigeria’s Rural Development Program staff to develop large-scale poultry operation -- proceeds from the sales of egg and chickens, will help support the work of RDP, which includes training seminars, and making improved seeds and fertilizers available to rural farmers</i>	
North Korea: Plant Breeding at Pyongyang University of Science and Technology	\$ 1,802.45
<i>Supporting the purchase of materials for North Korean students involved with plant-breeding, under the direction of Robert and Linda Shank -- the Shanks are serving at PUST through the Global Mission and Service office of the Church of the Brethren</i>	
Palestine: Job Creation – Micro Projects	\$10,000.00
<i>Connecting with the Bethlehem Bible College’s Shepherd Society to help create jobs and micro-projects such as handicrafts or value-added food items</i>	
Rwanda: Potato and Maize Project	\$ 5,000.00
<i>Funding the work of the Gisenyi Evangelical Friends Church as it reaches out to displaced hunter-gatherer pygmies and teaches farming skills -- this is the second year for this project</i>	
US: “Going to the Garden” Initiative	\$13,558.80
<i>In partnership with the Office of Public Witness for the Church of the Brethren, grants were given to 13 church-based community gardens in the following communities: Champaign, IL, Concord, NC, Topeka, KS, Boise, ID, Mount Morris, IL, Fort Wayne, IN, Nampa, ID, Gresham, OR, Westminster, MD, Harrisonburg, VA, New Orleans, LA , La Verne, CA, and Falffurrias, TX.</i>	
US: Bread for the World 2013 Hunger Report	\$ 1,000.00
<i>Advocating legislative reforms to provide policy analysis on hunger and strategies to end it</i>	
US: Foods Resources Bank 2013 -- Member Contribution	\$32,629.00

*Allowing Brethren congregations to participate in FRB Growing Projects, which raise funds for food security programs of ecumenical partners around the globe*

Total allocations, January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013

\_\_\_\_\_ \$164,988.25

For more information on any of these programs or initiatives, please go to [www.brethren.org/gfcf/stories/](http://www.brethren.org/gfcf/stories/) to see copies of recent issues of E-news – the electronic newsletter of the GFCF. E-news is also available in print form to all Brethren congregations via the Source packet and to anyone upon request.

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