

*"Taste and see that the Lord is good!  
How blessed is the one who takes shelter in him!"*

—Psalm 34:8

## FARM TO TABLE TABLE TO FARM

Whether it is a wedding feast with family and friends, a birthday cake for a child, or a bowl of chicken soup when we are sick, food is a great Gift of God that has the ability to bring us together and make us feel good.

In our North American society it can sometimes be easy to lose sight of where our food comes from. In a hectic life of drive-through meals, junk food, and processed dinners we often consume our food without really thinking about it. We forget about the farmers who produced it and our Gracious God who made all our food possible.

This year's World Hunger Campaign from World Renew is intended to help us change that by raising awareness about God's goodness from farm to table.

There are approximately 2.6 billion people in our world who make their living as small-scale farmers. That's around 40 per cent of the whole world's population! Most of these farmers cultivate less than five acres of land and live on family farms in the developing world where they grow just enough food to meet their daily needs.

These farmers have much they can teach us about being aware of God's goodness and praising Him for the rain, sun, soil, seeds, and tools that make each day's food possible.

They also have needs that we can help to fill.

One in eight people in our world do not have enough to eat and 70 percent of them live in rural areas of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Near East. The sad truth is, in much of the world, population growth and over-farming have led to a decrease in soil fertility and a rise in erratic weather has made farming more difficult. That means that every year, more and more people are at risk of hunger because they can't produce an adequate supply of food on their farms.

World Renew is working with these farmers to help them produce more diverse crops and larger harvests. This includes training on topics such as organic farming, using mulch to retain moisture, using green manures to feed the soil, simple irrigation systems for the dry season, and new techniques and seed varieties to help crops withstand harsh weather. Will you join this ministry?

On World Hunger Sunday, as you learn from global farmers, take time to appreciate your food and celebrate the good gifts that God has given you. Please also prayerfully consider sharing your blessings so that others will not go hungry.

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