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MISSION GRANT STORY

Additional Resources - Hunger

Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ... And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' Matthew 25:34-40.

This passage of Scripture gives us a vivid picture of what Jesus wants our mission work to look like. Indeed many of our LWML Mission Grants help fund programs that address the

issues of hunger and poverty. Sadly, hunger is a growing problem in the United States. According to www.feedingamerica.org, in 2015, 42.2 million Americans lived in food-insecure households, including 29.1 million adults and 13.1 million children.

So how can we lend aid and serve as Jesus commands? Most communities have food pantries which can be supported financially by zones, societies, or individuals. Volunteer to help at a food pantry or homeless shelter meal site. Donate produce from a home garden to a food pantry. Find out if your school has a backpack program, sending food home with children on weekends. If so, support it. If there isn't one, consider approaching the school about starting one.