

RESTORATION

HEALING

HOPE

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THE MAN CALLED JESUS  
MADE MUD, SPREAD IT ON MY EYES  
AND SAID TO ME  
“GO TO SILOAM AND WASH”  
THEN I WENT AND WASHED AND  
RECEIVED MY SIGHT

JOHN 9:11B, NSRV



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MESSAGE FROM THE  
DEPUTY GENERAL SECRETARY

Dear Friends,

Jesus calls us to bring restoration, healing and hope wherever we are able.

So much of what UMCOR does brings restoration: giving sight to the blind, building up farming communities, helping workers become self-sufficient, reconstructing places destroyed by disaster.

UMCOR works intentionally to build up people and communities that were brought low by forces outside of their control. Establishing sustainable and responsible programs that bring true restoration and healing takes time and careful work. In the long run these communities will be able to better care for themselves and their environment.

Sustainability means providing communities the training and knowledge they need to continue to improve their lives long after UMCOR leaves. It means building up farmers, craftspeople, fishermen and women, shopkeepers and others so that their income is stable and their businesses support their families, community and environment. It is training community leaders how to maintain and use water pumps and mills so outside help will no longer be needed. It includes giving communities the knowledge they need to be healthy and providing pathways to accessible health care.

Sustainability is at the basis of UMCOR's work so that true restoration, healing and hope can be possible.

On these pages are stories and reports of what UMCOR accomplished in 2009. May they inspire and compel you to bring hope to others in your own communities.

UMCOR is able to accomplish so much because you gave your prayers, time and resources to those who needed them most. UMCOR works on your behalf. Thank you.

Grace and Peace,

Rev. Cynthia Fierro Harvey  
Deputy General Secretary, UMCOR



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# UMCOR OPENS PHILIPPINES OFFICE

UMCOR opened its newest office in the Philippines in July. Located on the campus of Union Theological Seminary in Cavite, about 50 miles south of Manila, the office provides a ministry of presence while serving as a hub to facilitate communication between United Methodist conferences within the Philippines and with the US. In addition to establishing a field presence, UMCOR Philippines offers an on-site storage facility for material goods and relief supplies.

As it does in the US, UMCOR Philippines plays a key role in effectively responding to natural and civil disasters. In the week prior to UMCOR Philippines' opening, UMCOR conducted disaster response training. People representing various regions throughout the conference attended the three-day workshop. They left with a concrete disaster response plan, which was put into practice almost immediately when two successive typhoons inundated the country with water.

The Philippines is vulnerable to approximately 20 typhoons each year. In addition to the effects of natural disasters, the needs of many people are often complicated by civil conflict or extreme poverty.



## MAJOR INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RESPONSES IN 2009

### CAMBODIA/PHILIPPINES

Provided relief following Typhoon Ketsana via UMCOR Philippines, GlobalMedic, Muslim Aid, ACT Alliance, and Methodist Mission in Cambodia

### CHILE

Supported the creation of the Methodist Humanitarian Action Team of the Methodist Church of Chile, which was instrumental in responding to a massive earthquake in early 2010

### CUBA

Provided hurricane relief in the form of food, clothing, beds, and mattresses in partnership with the Methodist Church in Cuba in the wake of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike

### GAZA

Brought clean drinking water to communities displaced by an Israeli military offensive, in partnership with Global Medic and Muslim Aid

### HAITI

Distributed clothes, shoes, and infant medical supplies in response to needs provoked by hurricanes Fay, Ike, Gustav, and Tropical Storm Hanna, in collaboration with Stop Hunger Now

### IRAQ

Provided assistance to internally displaced people and refugees in Iraq, in collaboration with the ACT Alliance

### KENYA

Provided famine relief in partnership with UMC Nakuru, Kenya, and the East Africa Annual Conference

### PAKISTAN

Provided relief aid to internally displaced people in northwestern Pakistan, in partnership with Church World Service

### SOUTH AFRICA

Supported unaccompanied children from Zimbabwe and elsewhere, as well as refugees in South Africa, in partnership with Central Methodist Mission and the Methodist Church of Southern Africa

### ZIMBABWE

Provided food for vulnerable populations in response to ongoing social and economic crises, in partnership with ZOE Ministries

## NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION (NGO)

When there is a need to establish a long-term presence overseas, UMCOR does that through its non-governmental organization (NGO). UMCOR NGO establishes and maintains field offices within countries to provide local direct humanitarian and transitional development assistance in the wake of natural disasters and civil emergencies.

NGO field offices—in Afghanistan, Armenia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Georgia, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, and Zimbabwe—work collaboratively with local communities to restore social stability, revitalize community structures, and empower affected populations. The following are some program highlights:

### AFGHANISTAN

- Provided livelihood, water, education, and shelter aid to 19,500 returning refugees in Khaki Jabbar province and built a school there accommodating 250 students
- Supported 478 internally displaced people in a cash-for-work program in which they cleaned and rehabilitated 38 irrigation channels (of a program total of 115), 15 reservoirs, and 2,000 meters (1.2 miles) of streams
- Provided essential livelihood, health care, water, and shelter aid to a total of 44,000 returned refugees in Surobi, Paghman, and Khaki Jabbar districts of Kabul province

UMCOR Afghanistan's work is supported by the US State Department's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration; US Agency for International Development's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, and UMCOR.

### ARMENIA

- Received 362 calls to a human trafficking hotline, provided direct assistance to 38 survivors of trafficking, and trained 46 law enforcement staff members how to identify and prevent human trafficking
- Trained 551 community health volunteers to provide peer counseling on prevention of HIV/AIDS, STIs, and TB; they also counseled 5,456 community members
- Established eight new agricultural cooperatives serving up to 600 farmers in the Ararat, Armavir, and Vayot Dzor Marzes

UMCOR Armenia's work is supported by the Foods Resource Bank, United Nations Development Program, US State Department, US Department of Agriculture, Alexandria-Gyumri Sister Cities Committee, Norwegian Church Aid, and UMCOR.

### DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO (DRC)

- Performed a nutritional survey program that evaluated 960 children, ages 6-59 months, for malnutrition, measles vaccination, and vitamin A supplement coverage
- Distributed 825 insecticide-treated mosquito nets, 825 blanket and bed sheet sets, 580 adult mattresses, and 246 children's mattresses to hospitals in Katanga province
- Helped more than 2,000 UMCOR student scholars through the Girls' Scholarship Program. For this term, 95 percent of the students graduated to the next grade; 69 teachers and 71 mentors participated in a training workshop

UMCOR DRC's work is supported by the Academy for Educational Development, United Nations Foundation, UNICEF, and UMCOR.

### GEORGIA

- Provided essential pharmaceuticals and medical supplies to 217 health facilities for free distribution to 200,000 beneficiaries, and provided two types of anti-epilepsy medicines for 180 patients
- Distributed powdered milk and hygiene supplies to more than 3,000 lactating mothers, pregnant women, and mothers who cannot breastfeed their infants age 6 to 24 months old
- Issued, with partner JSC Constanta, a total of 154 micro-credit revolving loans totaling US\$70,000 to farmers; repayment rate is 100 percent

UMCOR Georgia's work is supported by the US Agency for International Development's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, US State Department, US Department of Agriculture, Action by Churches Together (ACT Alliance), Finnish Church Aid, UNICEF, and UMCOR.

### INDONESIA

- Distributed nearly 1,500 income generation packages to families in Aceh Besar and Bireuen Provinces
- Completed structural reinforcement and other construction tasks on 160 homes to benefit survivors of the 2004 tsunami
- Provided technical assistance and guidance by income generation specialists to build up the skills of community development committee leaders and members in the area of business planning

UMCOR Indonesia's work is supported by the American Baptist Churches/USA, American Red Cross, CARE International, and UMCOR.

### SRI LANKA

- Approved funding for projects that reached more than 330,000 conflict-affected internally displaced people with services in emergency shelter, water/sanitation, health, economic recovery, and logistics support/relief commodities
- Provided livelihood support to 500 beneficiaries, built 240 permanent homes, and renovated 10 common wells and three miles of rural roads through the Tsunami Integrated Community Assistance program
- Reached a total of 99,443 beneficiaries with a variety of services, including emergency relief, shelter, infrastructure, livelihoods programs and community projects through the Stabilization for Tsunami-Affected Regions program. A total of 197 wells were also rehabilitated and/or cleaned.

UMCOR Sri Lanka's work is supported by the US Agency for International Development's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, American Red Cross, Lutheran World Relief, and UMCOR.

### SUDAN

- Supplied 5,313 new shelter kits to households of internally displaced people in IDP camps in South Darfur
- Enrolled 2,763 students in school, rehabilitated eight classrooms, and trained 14 teachers to provide psychosocial support to school children in South Sudan
- Reached more than 40,000 people with hygiene messages and trained 20 hygiene promoters and 20 community health workers in South Darfur and South Sudan



UMCOR Sudan's work is supported by the US Agency for International Development's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, US State Department's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration, Basic Services Fund/DFID, Ginghamburg United Methodist Church, FAO, World Food Program, UNICEF, and UMCOR.

## ZIMBABWE

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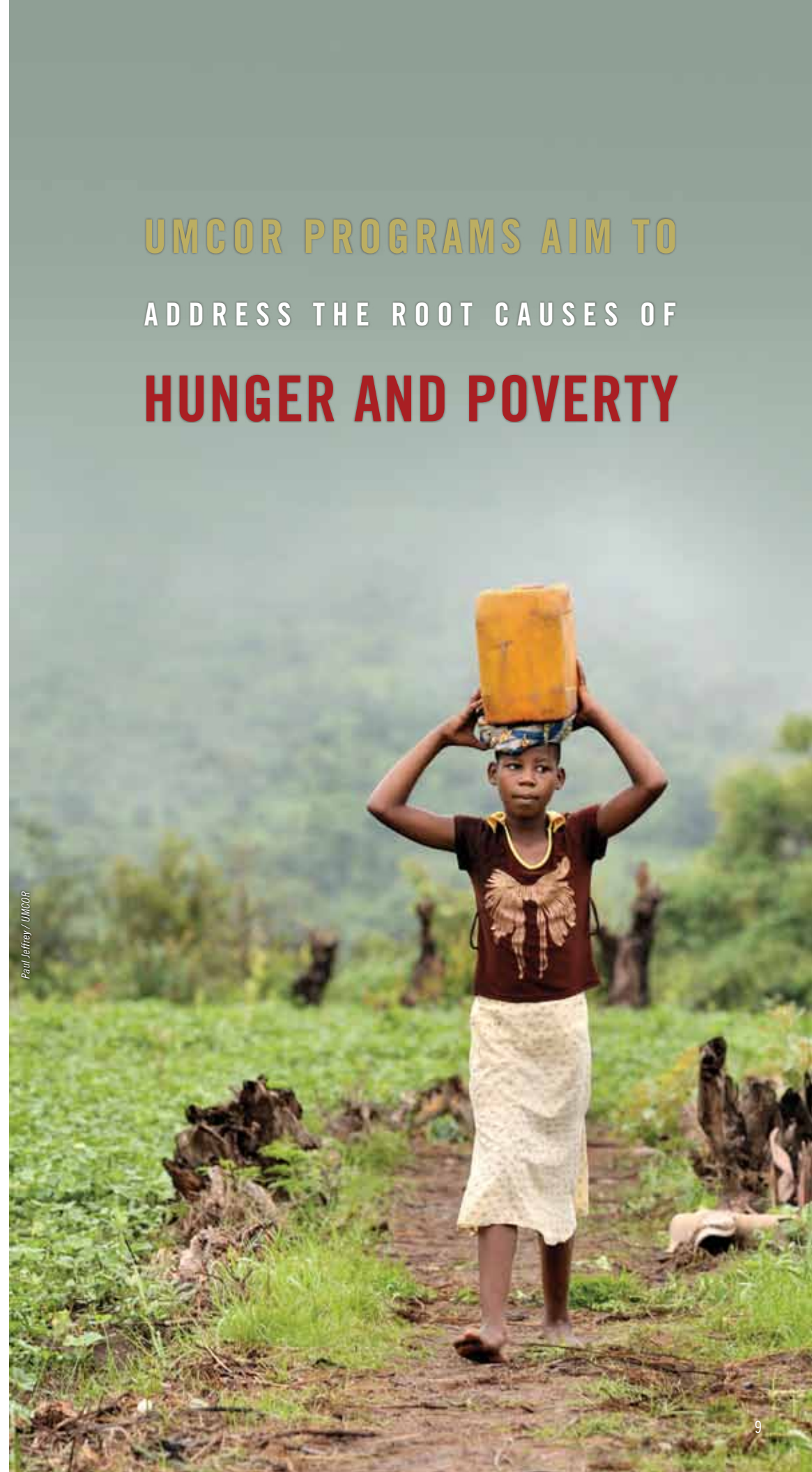
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- Democratic Republic of Congo: In Kamina, 350 people participated in UMCOR-SA&D Integrated Crop and Pest Management training, beekeeping, Moringa, and soy production. In the village of Mwitobwe, three UMCOR-trained community groups formed to contribute money from their combined increased incomes to purchase a grinding mill to process cassava and corn. The three groups also purchased 30 goats for breeding.
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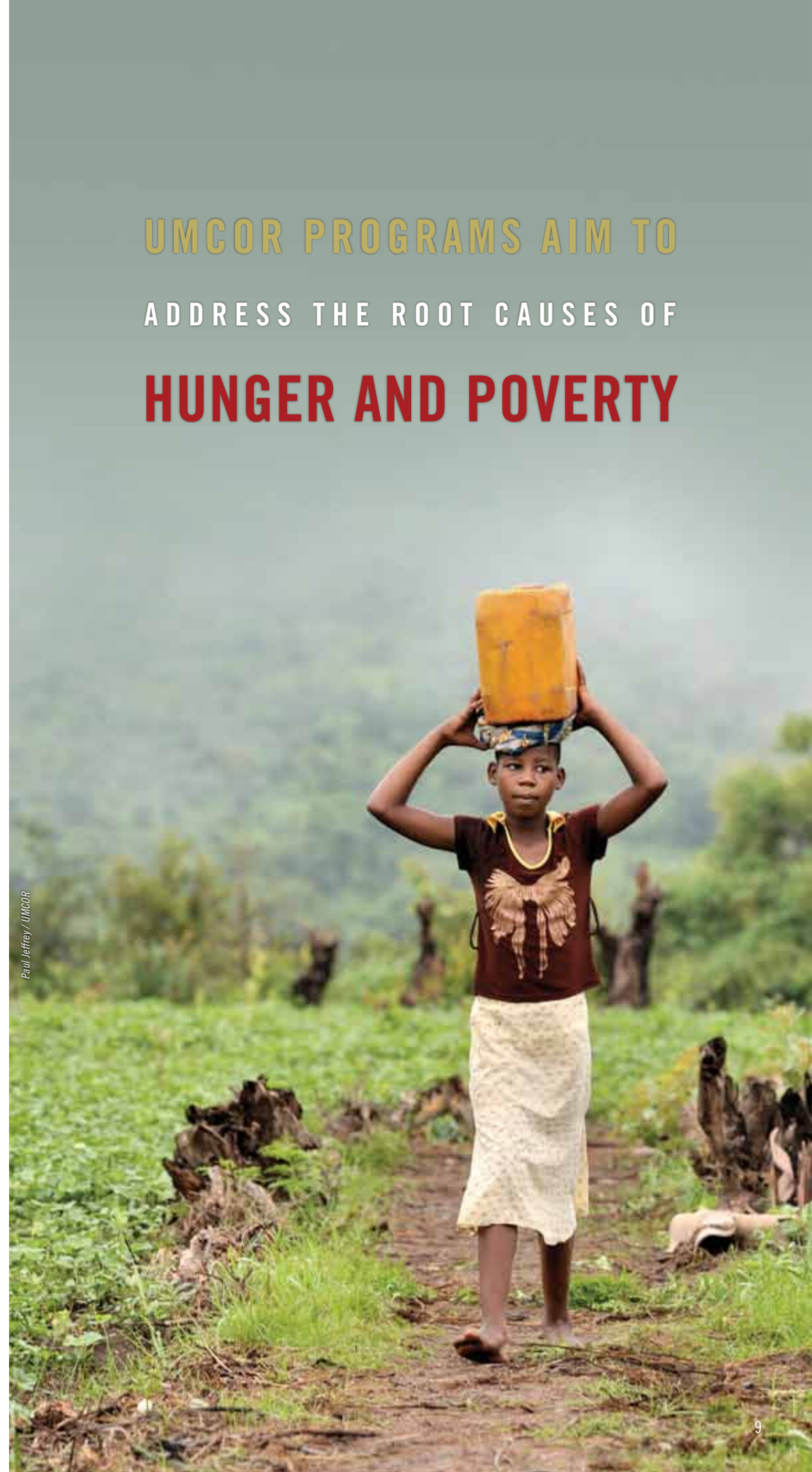
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## UMCOR COFFEE PROJECT: 100-TON CHALLENGE (MAY 10, 2008 – MAY 9, 2009)

UNITED METHODISTS WERE CHALLENGED TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF FAIRLY TRADED GOODS, PARTICULARLY COFFEE, WHICH IS AVAILABLE THROUGH UMCOR'S PARTNER EQUAL EXCHANGE.

DURING THE CHALLENGE:

- UNITED METHODISTS PURCHASED 82.4 TONS (OR OVER 164,000 POUNDS) OF FAIRLY TRADED COFFEE, TEA, CHOCOLATE AND SNACKS THROUGH EQUAL EXCHANGE.
- 448 NEW CONGREGATIONS JOINED THE UMCOR COFFEE PROJECT, MAKING IT THE LARGEST INCREASE IN CONGREGATIONS COMPARED TO ANY OTHER INTERFAITH PARTNERSHIP WITH EQUAL EXCHANGE.
- UNITED METHODIST PARTICIPATION HAD A ONE PERCENT INCREASE IN SALES, WHEN EQUAL EXCHANGE'S INTERFAITH PROGRAM RECORDED AN OVERALL DECLINE OF FIVE PERCENT IN SALES VOLUME.
- UMCOR-SA&D PROGRAM RECEIVED \$24,668.10 FROM THE EQUAL EXCHANGE SMALL FARMER FUND. UMCOR RECEIVES 15 CENTS PER POUND OF FAIR TRADE PRODUCT PURCHASED BY UNITED METHODISTS THROUGH THE UMCOR COFFEE PROJECT TO SUPPORT SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE TRAININGS.

## ECO-PALMS

2009 marked the second year of UMCOR's participation in the Eco-Palm Project, an ecumenical partnership through the University of Minnesota Center for Integrated Natural Resources and Agricultural Management. This project promotes using fairly traded palm fronds for Palm Sunday. During the 2009 season, United Methodists ordered more than 74,920 palm stems, making it the second largest denominational order.

## MORINGA CERTIFICATION AND PROCESSING

UMCOR-SA&D staff members were instrumental in establishing the Moringa Association of Ghana (MAG). Together with the Food Research Institute of Ghana and the Ghana Standards Board, MAG developed the first-ever standards on Moringa production to certify Moringa for international trade and marketing. Moringa is a highly nutritious crop that is often introduced to communities in Africa through UMCOR's SA&D program.

Mozart Adevu, Global Ministries missionary and UMCOR-SA&D Africa regional coordinator, paved the way for the emergence of responsible international marketing of Moringa leaf powder from Ghana. The Moringa Association of Ghana embarked on a nationwide education campaign on the Standards developed for Moringa to ensure compliance from Moringa producers and to protect consumers.

UMCOR-SA&D also partnered with Compatible Technology International to introduce the Omega VI grinder in Liberia and Ghana, which is designed to process dried Moringa leaves into powder and peanuts into peanut butter.

Some 260 Liberian farmers in six communities in Montserrado and Nimba counties attended grinder demonstrations. The Methodist Church of Ghana became the first organization to build a Central Processing Facility for the processing of Moringa, thanks to knowledge gained through UMCOR-SA&D training.

## TRUE BEEKEEPING DISCIPLES

Kojo Boadu, a native of the Sekyere East District of Ghana, was not a registered participant for UMCOR's beekeeping training held in his community. He was just a passerby who appealed to UMCOR trainers to observe the outdoor training and the construction of beehives. Returning daily to the 10-day event, Boadu closely observed each training activity. In less than a week after the training concluded, Boadu constructed two beehives and colonized each hive on his own. He later constructed an additional eight beehives, four of which were colonized. By the end of 2009, Boadu had enough money to purchase materials to construct 10 more hives.

In gratitude to the UMCOR trainers who allowed him to observe the training, Boadu volunteered to train 15 other people from neighboring villages on how to construct and colonize beehives. Stephen Oduro, one the trainees, partnered with Boadu to train as many people as were willing to learn beekeeping. "We will be true disciples in the beekeeping industry," they promised. A local steward of the Seniagya Methodist Church is helping them keep their commitment by identifying young persons interested in beekeeping training.



Building beehives with locally-available materials help make beekeeping a sustainable and profitable business for farmers

## REFUGEE MINISTRIES

# THREADS OF PROMISE

Oak Grove United Methodist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, began its refugee resettlement ministry in 2006. Since that time, it has cosponsored four refugee families. With UMCOR funding, Oak Grove UMC partnered with the local Church World Service affiliate, Refugee Resettlement and Immigration Services of Atlanta, and with Northside United Methodist Church to launch a microenterprise project that enables Burmese refugee women to produce and market woven fabrics in the Atlanta community.

The project, Threads of Promise, is modeled after an organization located in a training center in a Burmese refugee camp in Thailand. Women there produce beautiful cloth and garments, which later are sold at refugee-operated kiosks outside the camp. In the midst of hardship, traditional handcrafts become part of a life-sustaining enterprise.

Threads of Promise in Atlanta similarly provides a place where Burmese refugee women can gather as a community. There, they engage in traditional weaving, arrange group childcare, and study English. In addition to building community, the project empowers the women by helping them to market the cloth and garments they produce. Even here, the women's traditional skills nourish and sustain life and hope in a new place.



Burmese women make traditional handcrafts to support their communities

## IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE MINISTRIES

UMCOR's Immigration and Refugee programs offer ministries of hospitality to those seeking safety and security in the United States. Thousands of families receive help each year through immigration legal assistance and resettlement services.

### JUSTICE FOR OUR NEIGHBORS (JFON)

Justice for Our Neighbors (JFON) is a ministry of UMCOR that welcomes immigrants into our churches and communities by offering free immigration legal services, education and advocacy. Motivated by Christian love, compassion and hospitality, JFON attorneys partner with local United Methodist congregations to serve particularly vulnerable immigrants: survivors of domestic abuse, human trafficking or sexual exploitation; refugees and asylum-seekers; and low-income families that are divided by international borders.

- JFON has 27 clinics in 10 states and Washington, DC
- The California-Nevada JFON clinic was added in 2009
- Many clinics in 2009 stepped up advocacy work in favor of comprehensive immigration reform

### IN 2009, JFON:

- SERVED 2,507 NEW CLIENTS AND 3,900 FOLLOW-UP CLIENTS
- REUNITED 1,200 INDIVIDUALS WITH THEIR FAMILIES
- ASSISTED 300 CLIENTS IN THE NATURALIZATION PROCESS
- REPRESENTED 250 CLIENTS IN PURSUIT OF HUMANITARIAN PROTECTION IN CASES INVOLVING POLITICAL ASYLUM, UNACCOMPANIED MINORS, OR DOMESTIC ABUSE AND OTHER CRIMES
- REPRESENTED CLIENTS IN MORE THAN 320 IMMIGRATION COURT CASES

### REFUGEE MINISTRY

Refugee ministry has been a cornerstone of UMCOR's work from the beginning. Today, UMCOR is at the forefront of efforts to protect and serve refugees and other displaced persons around the world and in the United States. UMCOR's long-standing partnership with the Church World Service (CWS) Immigration and Refugee Program has helped thousands of refugees begin new lives in the US.

### IN 2009, REFUGEE MINISTRY:

- SUPPORTED THE RESETTLEMENT OF 1,563 REFUGEES THROUGH CWS'S IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE PROGRAM
- PROVIDED MORE THAN \$25,000 IN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
- DEVELOPED A BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER TO SHARE INFORMATION AND ENCOURAGE CONGREGATIONS INVOLVED IN REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT
- DEVELOPED THE REFUGEE PROGRAM TEAM MODEL FOR WORKING WITH ANNUAL CONFERENCES



# UMCOR HEALTH

The overall objective of UMCOR Health is to support healthy communities by decreasing maternal and child mortality and alleviating diseases of poverty, such as HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis and others. UMCOR does this by strengthening community-based primary health care services at the local village, church, clinic, and hospital levels. UMCOR focuses on capacity building, disease prevention, treatment, care, and support in its programs and grants.

UMCOR works within and through communities to promote good health in the United States and abroad. Health should be attainable, accessible, and sustainable—UMCOR Health programs work to make this goal a reality.

## GLOBAL HEALTH INITIATIVE

UMCOR Health is a strategic implementing partner of The United Methodist Church's Global Health Initiative (GHI) and the Imagine No Malaria Campaign. UMCOR works in partnership with the Imagine No Malaria Campaign; the United Nations Foundation; and The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, to strengthen United Methodist health boards, increase local capacity to implement strong anti-malaria programs, leverage partnerships and funds to support United Methodist hospitals and clinics overseas.

### IN 2009, UMCOR HEALTH:

- ORGANIZED AND PARTICIPATED IN THE GHI CONSULTATION IN ABIDJAN, WHERE THE GHI IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WAS SUBMITTED TO UNITED METHODIST AFRICAN BISHOPS (OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES) FOR FEEDBACK
- ESTABLISHED AND STRENGTHENED HEALTH BOARDS IN FIVE AFRICAN CONFERENCES AND PROVIDED ORIENTATION TO THOSE BOARDS ON THE GHI/IMAGINE NO MALARIA IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
- INITIATED BOARD GOVERNANCE TRAINING FOR THE LIBERIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE HEALTH BOARD
- HELD STRATEGIC MEETINGS TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL BOARDS AND TRAINING IN NIGERIA AND THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO
- SUPPORTED A 10,000 MOSQUITO NET DISTRIBUTION, FINANCED AND PROVIDED BY VOLUNTEERS WITH THE BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON CONFERENCE NOTHING BUT NETS CAMPAIGN, IN MUTARE, ZIMBABWE
- REPRESENTED THE UMC ON THE UN FOUNDATION MALARIA PARTNERSHIP GROUP

## MALARIA PREVENTION PROGRAMS

The United Methodist Malaria Control Program supports prevention programs that range from mosquito net distribution and malaria treatment to educating community health workers and cleaning up areas where mosquitoes breed.

- Approximately 43 percent of funds dispersed went to support hospital salaries and fuel and food assistance to three mission hospitals in Zimbabwe. Grant funds also supported home-based care for persons living with HIV/AIDS, and education and vocational training opportunities for orphans and vulnerable children.

- UMCOR Health supported the Baltimore-Washington Annual Conference to distribute 10,000 insecticide treated nets to 10,000 people in Mutare, Zimbabwe; \$100,000 was provided to UMCOR's partner Nothing But Nets to support this work.
- UMCOR Health distributed \$105,571 in grants to 16 malaria programs in Democratic Republic of Congo, Cameroon, Nigeria, Philippines, Sierra Leone, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
- \$33,638 went to support 11 malaria projects for prevention and training, treatment and care support. Activities included mosquito net distributions, environmental care, laboratory facilities support and follow-up care visits.

## PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

- UMCOR Health and American Schools and Hospitals Abroad, an agency of USAID, provided grant support for the construction of a Mother and Child Health Unit at Kissy United Methodist Hospital in Freetown, Sierra Leone.
- UMCOR Health provided \$97,559 in grants to support 13 primary health projects in Democratic Republic of Congo, India, Latin America, Nepal, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Zambia, and the US. Funding supported Moringa production, treatment of malnutrition, training of staff, and economic assistance, as well as projects that promoted Moringa use, and reestablishing good agricultural practices among community health workers.

## TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

- Nearly 26 percent of international funds received by UMCOR Health in 2009 went to capacity building. Doctors from Côte d'Ivoire, Liberia and Zimbabwe completed courses in India in orthopedics, anesthetics, surgery, and medicine.
- Ten of the 11 hospitals supported by UMCOR provided training in HIV/AIDS, malaria and primary health care programs.
- UMCOR Health worked to establish an accredited nursing school in Ganta, Liberia.
- Fifteen health professionals from four sub-Saharan countries traveled to India for training in hospital administration, public health, nursing, community-based primary health care, ultrasound technology training, and more.

## HOSPITAL REVITALIZATION

UMCOR Health provided \$570,200 in funding for 31 prevention, treatment and care projects in seven sub-Saharan African countries. The funding supported dental, X-ray and ultrasound equipment and training, salary support, food, and fuel assistance and vehicle purchases.

## US HEALTH

In the US, UMCOR Health works with parish nurses, people with disabilities and the elderly in capacity development.

- 55 percent of funding to US health programs was designated for capacity building projects. This includes the Disability Concerns Manual, a new resource, which contains six workshops on how to work with, and include people with disabilities in church life. The resource provides new ideas, insights and abilities to congregations that are making their churches accessible to people with disabilities.
- UMCOR produced and distributed 2,000 "How to Start a Health Ministry" booklets to parish nurses and health ministers, as well as 1,000 informational postcards about UMCOR's Parish Nurse Health Ministries.

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- \$10,500 was provided by UMCOR Health to support six older adult ministries. Assistance included providing food and medicine to 110 people, as well as offering English as a second language to persons over 50 years of age.

## HIV/AIDS

The United Methodist Global AIDS Fund provided \$583,523 in grants for training and capacity building support for 58 HIV/AIDS programs in more than 23 countries. Community health workers, home-based care attendants, hospital staff, and church and community leaders benefitted from training on HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment, care and support. Trainings included theology, home-based care for people living with HIV/AIDS, providing material support for children in school, and care for orphans.

## RELIEF SUPPLIES

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## UMCOR SAGER BROWN DEPOT

In 2009, UMCOR Sager Brown sent more than \$3.4 million in relief supplies via domestic and international shipments of:

134,169 Health Kits

78,771 School Kits

11,424 Sewing Kits

7,448 Layette Kits

7,264 Cleaning Buckets

300 Birthing Kits (kit collection began in mid-2009)

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## UMCOR WEST

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BIRTHING KITS

Birthing Kits represent the newest UMCOR relief supply kit. This collection of simple items provides traditional birth attendants with the basic tools they need to ensure a safe, healthy and clean delivery. Each kit has a small bar of soap, pair of latex gloves, one yard of clear plastic sheeting, three pieces of clean string, one clean razor blade, receiving blankets, and a one gallon resealable bag. The kits are distributed only to hospitals and clinics where birth attendants receive training on how to use them properly. Within months of their introduction, 300 kits were delivered to Zimbabwe in partnership with Church World Service.

UMCOR RELIEF SUPPLIES NETWORK

UMCOR began developing the UMCOR Relief Supplies Network in 2009 to provide congregations with a number of places throughout the United States where they can send or drop off their kits and supplies, assured that their donations will be accounted for and distributed by UMCOR. The network also offers congregations a means to respond to disasters from depots located closest to affected areas. The Mission Response Center in Western North Carolina became the first official unit of the new UMCOR Relief Supplies Network, with other conference and jurisdiction-owned depots to follow. UMCOR coordinated a shipment of cleaning buckets, health and school kits through this network to Georgia and New York after serious flooding in those areas.

UMCOR OPENS  
UMCOR WEST DEPOT

UMCOR opened a new relief supply depot in Salt Lake City, Utah in June 2009. This new facility stores UMCOR supply kits and offers new opportunities for kit ministry.

UMCOR West will provide new mission opportunities for groups, especially those in the Western Jurisdiction. The Rocky Mountain region is a beautiful area to experience the community that comes with assembling relief kits, says Kathy Kraiza, who manages the operations of UMCOR West and UMCOR Sager Brown in Baldwin, La.

Volunteer groups are invited to spend a week in Salt Lake City to serve at UMCOR West. According to Rev. Brian Diggs who directs the UMCOR West Depot, each mission experience will include kit ministry to benefit vulnerable people around the world, in addition to volunteer work in the local community. UMCOR West works closely with Crossroads Urban Center, a United Methodist national mission institute in Salt Lake City, to provide meaningful service experiences.

The response to UMCOR West throughout the Western Jurisdiction has been tremendous. Groups were booked to volunteer nearly every week in the summer of 2009. Many are youth groups from other states. Nearby Christ UMC and Hilltop UMC generously hosted groups who come from out of town. Both churches have sleeping accommodations, showers and kitchens.

UMCOR supply kits care for the most vulnerable people during times of crisis. They also sustain everyday life by providing basic necessities to people who lack ready access to essential supplies. These kits provide vital support for the work UMCOR does throughout the world. Donating kit supplies or financial gifts to purchase the supplies makes a direct, tangible difference in sustaining people's lives.



Bishop Elaine Stanovsky, Rocky Mountain Annual Conference and Jamie Michaels, US 2 missionary for UMCOR West assists Depot Director Brian Diggs as he cuts a ribbon marking the official opening of the UMCOR West in Salt Lake City, Utah



# UMCOR WORKS TO BRING RESTORATION HEALING AND HOPE



## 2009 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### LETTER FROM THE TREASURER

In 2009, UMCOR continued work to bring restoration, healing and hope to the people and places that needed it most. We provided \$56.6 million to support programs that gave real help to people suffering from war, natural disaster, poverty and disease. UMCOR's total expenditures amount to \$62.3 million, representing just \$5.7 million spent on administrative and fundraising expenses.

The financial statements of UMCOR and Health and Welfare (UMCOR Health) have previously been separately presented. During 2009, management combined these financial statements, which more appropriately reflect the common mission of UMCOR and Health and Welfare as well as the actual operations of these entities. The 2008 amounts within the financial statements have been combined for comparative purposes. The Health and Welfare Ministries Department will continue to exist as a legal entity until the General Conference of The United Methodist Church acts to dissolve it.

Even in the face of tough economic times, UMCOR keeps serving the world's most vulnerable people through the generous gifts of United Methodists to UMCOR programs designated through The Advance.

UMCOR's ability to *Be There* and *Be Hope* depends on the continued faithful support of United Methodists and others who give to UMCOR's programs. Thank you for your trust in us as we work on your behalf to serve all of God's people everywhere.

**Roland Fernandes**  
*Treasurer*



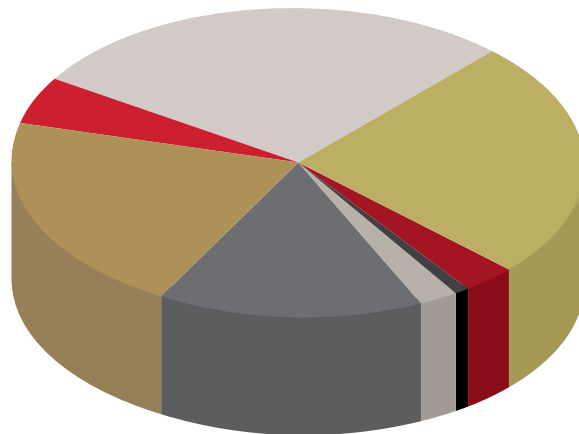
## SUMMARIZED AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 2009

OPERATING REVENUE	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	2009 Total	2008 Total
Advance Special (Designated) Gifts	\$4,448,748	\$6,191,642		\$10,640,390	\$16,473,369
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering	2,649,165			2,649,165	2,964,702
World Service Fund Allocation		64,211		64,211	468,209
Contributed Goods	14,335,596			14,335,596	27,422,749
Grants and Contracts	12,613,001			12,613,001	23,466,042
Gifts and Bequests	1,260,081	403,322		1,663,403	1,157,599
United Methodist Women's Gifts	188,809	58,657		247,466	336,156
Investment Income	966,399	283,040		1,249,439	2,583,597
Other Income	7,656,411			7,656,411	7,097,011
	<b>44,118,210</b>	<b>7,000,872</b>		<b>51,119,082</b>	<b>81,969,434</b>
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	19,801,093	(19,801,093)			
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$63,919,303</b>	<b>(\$12,800,221)</b>		<b>\$51,119,082</b>	<b>\$81,969,434</b>

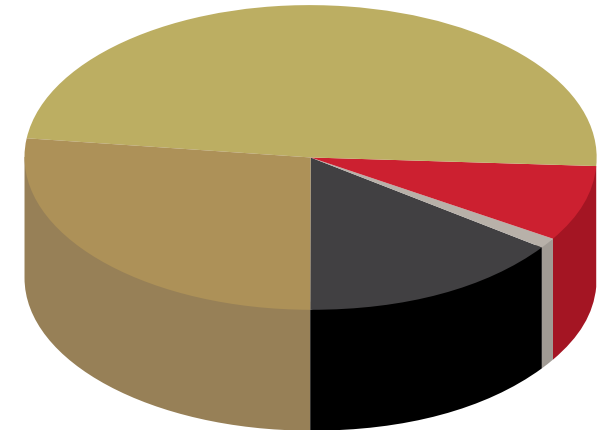
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United Methodist Women's Gifts	\$247,466
Investment Income	\$1,249,439
Other Income	\$7,656,411



### OPERATING EXPENSES

UMCOR Ministries and UMCOR Health	\$9,259,981
Advance Special Projects	\$16,784,634
Relief Projects (Grant Funds)	\$30,552,794
Management and General	\$4,865,223
Fundraising	\$842,643



OPERATING EXPENSES	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	2009 Total	2008 Total
<b>Program Services</b>					
UMCOR Ministries and UMCOR Health	\$9,259,981			\$9,259,981	\$8,213,162
Advance Special Projects	16,784,634			16,784,634	31,146,267
Relief Projects (Grant Funds)	30,552,794			30,552,794	55,337,144
<b>Total Program Services</b>	<b>56,597,409</b>			<b>56,597,409</b>	<b>94,696,573</b>
<b>Supporting Services</b>					
Management and General	4,865,223			4,865,223	4,669,435
Fundraising	842,643			842,643	798,858
<b>Total Supporting Services</b>	<b>5,707,866</b>			<b>5,707,866</b>	<b>5,468,293</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>62,305,275</b>			<b>62,305,275</b>	<b>100,164,866</b>
<i>Difference in Net Assets from Operations</i>	<i>1,614,028</i>	<i>(12,800,221)</i>		<i>(11,186,193)</i>	<i>(18,195,432)</i>
Endowment, Planned Giving and Other Non-operating Activities (Net)	798,576	1,014,928	(62,772)	1,750,732	(2,069,525)
<i>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets</i>	<i>2,412,604</i>	<i>(11,785,293)</i>	<i>(62,772)</i>	<i>(9,435,461)</i>	<i>(20,264,957)</i>
<b>Net Assets at Beginning of Year</b>	<b>24,443,196</b>	<b>42,214,231</b>	<b>1,538,284</b>	<b>68,195,711</b>	<b>88,460,668</b>
<b>NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$26,855,800</b>	<b>\$30,428,938</b>	<b>\$1,475,512</b>	<b>\$58,760,250</b>	<b>\$68,195,711</b>



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*UMCOR's mission, grounded in the teachings of Jesus, is to alleviate human suffering—whether caused by war, conflict of natural disaster, with open hearts and minds to all people.*

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