

HUNGER COMMISSION REPORT

August 2017

The Hunger Commission conducted a Bread for the World letter writing campaign to our U.S. representatives asking them to ensure that the budgets for SNAP (food stamps) and other critical hunger projects did not get cut. We received close to 100 letters to be hand delivered to our representatives and many people took information and said they were going to write letters and mail them directly.

We contacted UMCOR and asked for information on hunger and water projects that the staff deemed particularly effective and in need of funding. They responded very quickly. We recently made several donations as shown below:

Loaves & Fishes:

\$500 in Memoriam for Patti Hollingsworth

\$500 in honor of Nancy Abernethy's role in starting the Hunger Commission and leading it so effectively for many years.

UMCOR:

\$1,500 for El Porvenir for water in Nicaragua: #525000 – a program that provides tangible solutions to rural communities who are committed to improving their access to clean water, sanitation facilities and better health, but lack the resources to do so. El Porvenir provides the materials and training for the villagers to enable them to construct Sanitary facilities and undertake their maintenance. This preserves the water table and allows for clean drinking water as well. After project completion, the community receives continuing community health and hygiene education,

\$1,500 for CHAD for hunger/food security in Cambodia #14916A: - CHAD will enable households to meet their daily food and nutritional requirements by increasing the diversity of food production through vegetables and livestock. The components include chicken raising, rice production, composting/green manure, and vegetable gardening. Meat and eggs from chicken raising will provide protein. Highly nutritious vegetables such as leafy vegetables, squash, bitter gourd, and moringa will be cultivated.