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FAITH in ACTION

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Aid Agencies

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Monthly leaflets downloadable from www.scotland.anglican.org/index.php/church_in_society_committee/

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You may wish to try the following:

- Pray for the work of Aid Agencies locally, nationally and internationally.
- Donate to Christian Aid as it is heavily dependent on the fundraising of Christian individuals and congregations. And, if you are a UK taxpayer remember to Gift Aid your donation so that the tax can be refunded.
- Participate in Christian Aid Week each May.
- Get involved with one of Christian Aid's national fundraising events.
- Make your will a will to live by setting up a legacy with Christian Aid or another Aid Agency.
- Look for a new internet server run by an Aid Agency
- Receive regular updates about Christian Aid's work world-wide, apply for a subscription to their quarterly magazine Christian Aid News.
- Use your gifts and skills for the benefit of an Aid Agency by applying for a variety of volunteering posts, e.g becoming a Christian Aid Teacher to promote the work of Christian Aid in schools and colleges.
- Change to AquaAid Water Coolers who give a large cut of their profits to helping Christian Aid; if your Church or business has water coolers enquire about the possibility of changing to AquaAid.
- Volunteer with an Aid Agency such as the International Voluntary Service or the United Mission to Nepal.
- Sponsor a child.

PRAYERS

O God,

- Enlarge my heart that it may be big enough to receive the greatness of your love.
- Stretch my heart that it may take into it all those who with me around the world believe in Jesus Christ.
- Stretch it that it may take into it all who do not know him,
- But who are my responsibility because I know him.
- O God, magnify me with your love.

AMEN

O God, pour out on us

the water of life that we may quench our thirst and draw our strength from you.
Help us to stand alongside those who struggle daily for clean water
So that all may be refreshed and renewed by your love.

AMEN

Lord,

- You come to us in neighbours we do not know and are unlikely to meet.
- You come to us when people's needs are measured in statistics, argued about in political programmes, or estimated in development plans.
- Give us the grace to see past numbers to the real lives behind them.
- So that we might, with you, build your Kingdom. AMEN

We stand before you, Lord,

with hands wide open,

- Ready to receive you, we bring before you,
 - Lord, our modest gifts, like tiny seeds, not knowing what fruits you may bring out them.
- We wait before you, Lord, asking that our hands and gifts, offered in your service, will make a difference to the world beyond all our imaginings.
- AMEN