The Orthodox Fellowship of the Transfiguration

Proclaiming the Ecological Mission of the Orthodox Church as the Reconciliation of all Things in Christ

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Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This letter invites funds for Christmas food relief for the extraordinarily poor Orthodox Christians of Zimbabwe.

The number of Zimbabweans in extreme poverty has reached 8.3 million as the pandemic in that country has delivered an economic shock to the country. These are most likely among the poorest people on earth.

No other Orthodox organization provides help to the situation in Zimbabwe.

The United Nations World Food program calls their predicament a "Full-Blown Humanitarian Crisis." See their report on the link below.

https://www.wfpusa.org/countries/zimbabwe/

Global climate change is one of the causes of the record drought in Zimbabwe. Food which farmers might normally produce is drying up in the fields.

https://www.wfpusa.org/drivers-of-hunger/climate-change/

According to a World Bank's economic report, about half of Zimbabwe's population fell into extreme poverty last year, with children bearing the brunt of the misery.

Hunger has a ripple effect on desperately poor families. If they can buy food, they will likely forgo health care as they are unable to pay for medicines. Then they will also keep children out school to avoid education costs, such as for school fees and books.

For those of you who are able to send a donation, your name and ALL of your donation will be sent directly to HE Archbishop Seraphim [Kykotis] in Zimbabwe. He will in turn distribute these funds equitably across the parishes of the archdiocese.

Please send donations to: The OFT, c/o Food Relief for Zimbabwe P.O. Box 7348,
Santa Rosa, California 95407 USA

Give what you can. No donation is too small. 100% of your donation goes to the people of Zimbabwe. Your contribution for Food Relief is 100% tax deductible.

Yours in service to God's good earth,

Fred Krueger