



ABOUT THE RESPONSE

In a time when most of us are thinking about vacations, presents, and traveling to visit loved ones, millions of people are in danger of starving.

And, together, there's something we can do about it.

Outside of our often insulated bubble of comfort, much of the world is in crisis mode. The global economic impact of COVID-19 has increased the number of people at risk of starvation from 650 million in 2019 to a staggering 811 million today.

Though the availability of the global food supply has remained intact, accessibility has plummeted, primarily due to a lack of income and the increase in food cost. Supply chain disruptions and increased demand created scarcity in many areas of the world, driving up costs. Worldwide, food costs are up an average of 33%, and for some countries, it's much more than that.

According to a report released by Innocenti and the World Food Programme, more than 39 billion in-school meals have been missed globally since the start of the pandemic due to school closures.

Imagine, in what is supposed to be a season of joy, fearing that you may not be able to put food on the table for your family.

We need your help to address this crisis. As we approach the holiday season, now is the perfect time to engage our church membership and generous partners in an effort to alleviate the suffering of our neighbors around the world.

We need your help to address this crisis. For only \$50, we can feed a family for a month and prevent tragedy.

For \$250, we can help a local church feed 5 families in the community.

For \$1,000, we can help a local church feed 20 families.

For more information, watch and download our informational video [here](#).

TALKING POINTS

What is the problem?

The COVID-19 pandemic has created major economic barriers to food accessibility worldwide, particularly in the areas Foursquare Disaster Relief serves alongside its partners in Foursquare Missions International and global Foursquare churches, including Africa, Asia, Central America and the Caribbean.



The number of people at risk of starvation worldwide has doubled since the pandemic began, skyrocketing to 811 million. Foursquare pastors around the world are struggling to help their communities survive because of a lack of financial resources.

What is the COVID-19 Hunger Crisis Response?

Foursquare Disaster Relief launched the COVID-19 Hunger Crisis Response to provide desperately needed relief to Foursquare pastors and FMI workers and missionaries around the world, so they can help their communities access food and fight starvation.

How can you and your community help?

The holiday season is a time for reflection and gratitude. As we are grateful for our friends, family, and the security of having something to eat, our hearts should turn to those who don't have the same blessings we do.

If we work together and support our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world, we can help them survive and provide a sense of safety for their families. If not now, when the whole world celebrates the birth of Jesus and his gift to us, then when?

What makes Foursquare Disaster Relief different?

We bring aid through channels long established in their communities: local churches, led by Foursquare pastors and Foursquare Missions International workers and missionaries. With the partnership of all of us together, we can get aid to regions and communities otherwise inaccessible.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Pray for our Foursquare Family to receive the proper nourishment, resources, and aid they need. Pray for generous support from the Foursquare community who are able to give financially during this holiday season.**
- **Pray for food supply chain production to pick back up to be able to provide resources worldwide. Pray that pastors, teachers, and children would continue to be protected from COVID-19 and that schools would be able to stay open to feed their students. Pray for first responders who will be on the frontlines delivering food and aid to Foursquare communities.**

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