

Emergency Appeal for the Victims of the



Famine in the Horn of Africa

Dear Friends,

Our hearts go out to the families that are suffering from the famine in the Horn of Africa. We see their pictures on TV and in our newspapers. The Jesuit provincial of East Africa and the director of the Jesuit Refugee Service have written to us in these words:-

"A severe famine is threatening the lives of close to 10 million people in the Horn of Africa. It is a humanitarian crisis of catastrophic proportion. The famine has triggered a mass movement of people in the region, especially from Somalia to Kenya and Ethiopia.

Years of conflict and sporadic droughts have displaced nearly two million Somalis and the figures are rising quickly. By 20 July, this year, more than 120,000 Somalis had fled into Kenya and Ethiopia. This month as many as 3,000 have been arriving daily into the two countries. Some 11 million people are believed to have been affected

by the worst drought in over half a century. If action is not taken immediately, famine will spread to the rest of southern Somalia."

If you would like to support what the Jesuits in East Africa are doing to alleviate this catastrophic situation and improve the lives of the people both in the refugee camps as well as in famine stricken villages in northern Kenya, then please send a donation and we'll make sure that it goes to help alleviate the plight of these desperate families.



With Gratitude.

Fr Phil Crotty SJ,
Director

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