

Bring your pennies to the
MICHIANA MENNONITE RELIEF SALE
 on Friday or Saturday, September 25-26, and deposit
 them near the MCC Information Booth.
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August / September
PENNIES OF THANKS



2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8/23 BEGIN While being thankful for salvation, prepare a container for your PENNIES OF THANKS	8/24 Jesus said "I am the bread of Life.: Be thankful and give 1 penny for each slice of bread you eat this month.	8/25 Most people around the world live in crowded quarters. Give thanks for your home and give 5 pennies for each room.	8/26 Many people carry their water from wells. Give 5 pennies for each water faucet in your home & give thanks for water.	8/27 Count the change in your pockets, purse, piggy banks, etc. and give 10 percent of it.	8/28 Many people have no Bibles. How many Bibles do you have in your home? Give 4 pennies for each Bible.	8/29 MCCers in Mexico help women build earthen cookstoves. Give 20 pennies per stove & 25 more per microwave.
8/30 Glass windows are a luxury in many parts of the world. Give 3 pennies for each window in your home. Be thankful for your windows that keep out snow & rain.	8/31 MCC began in 1920 when North American Mennonites sent relief supplies to Russia. Imagine fleeing your home with no extra clothes. Give a penny for each shirt or blouse in your closets.	9/1 How much milk do you drink? Give 10 pennies for each glass you drink per day.	9/2 If you would rather do your laundry with an automatic washer than on a washboard, give 25 pennies.	9/3 In Haiti, few people can read or write. Count the books on your shelves at home and give 1 penny for each book.	9/4 Many people have only 1 ragged cloth to cover with. Give 2 pennies for each quilt/blanket in your home. Pray for those without.	9/5 Imagine having only 1 or 2 doctors for your whole county. Many countries have only 1 doctor for 125,000 people. Give 4 pennies for each of your doctors – include dentists, eye doctors, etc.
9/6 MCC workers teach children & adults to read. Reading skills help people get jobs to buy food. Give 5 pennies for each grade of school you have completed.	9/7 Many people sleep on mats on the floor. Thank God for your bed. Give 4 pennies for each bed in your home.	9/8 We are blessed with more reading material than we can read. Give 3 pennies for every magazine & newspaper subscription you have.	9/9 How many times do you eat out? Many people never eat out due to health or money. Give 3 pennies for each time you ate out in the last week.	9/10 MCCers often teach people how to plant gardens for food. We grow plants to decorate. Give 2 pennies for each plant in your home.	9/11 MCCers in Haiti help plant & grow trees to keep topsoil from washing away so they can plant food. Give 2 pennies for each tree or bush in your yard.	9/12 Homes in many countries have thatched roofs made of grass & straw. Thank God for your roof and give 25 pennies.
9/13 Many people have few kitchen tools. Give 3 pennies for each tool you have - coffee pot, crockpot, blender, electric skillet, toaster, corn popper, mixer, etc.	9/14 Food shelves in the stores of some countries are often bare & many people do not have enough to eat. Thank God for the variety of food in your home & give 50 pennies.	9/15 Is your family using the Church Library? Give 2 pennies for each book checked out this week. If none, give 5 pennies for each person in your family.	9/16 Many Americans are overfed. Give 2 pennies for each inch around your waist.	9/17 Many people bathe in rivers and ponds. Give 5 pennies for every bathtub and shower in your home.	9/18 Many people do not have enough to eat. We have plenty, plus have food for our pets. Give 15 pennies for each pet you own.	9/19 A Missionary in India wrote that they kept cool at night by wrapping in a dampened sheet. Give 10 pennies if you have an air conditioner & 5 for each fan in your home.
9/20 Communication is difficult in many countries. Give 3 pennies for each phone or cell phone in your home.	9/21 Many people around the world go to bed when it gets dark because they have no electric lights. Give 2 pennies for each light switch in your home.	9/22 Everyone needs protein to grow. Some get it by eating meat, others beans. Give 4 pennies for each serving of meat or beans you ate today.	9/23 Count the shoes in your closet. Give 5 pennies for each pair.	9/24 FINISH Give 25 pennies for each day you did not make your bed this month.	9/25 Open House! 5 p.m. Drop off pennies!	9/26 Sale Day Drop off pennies!

Download a printable pdf copy from www.mennonitesale.org

You may pick up jug containers to collect your change at MCC Great Lakes Office (THE DEPOT).

See reverse side to see what your pennies will buy...amazing!

PENNIES OF THANKS – Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale 2009

Every day (starting Sunday, August 23, 2009) count your blessings and help those less fortunate by saving and giving your pennies. Think about your plenty, and share as suggested on the calendar.

PENNY POWER

16 pennies laid end-to-end = 12 inches; 84,480 pennies = 1 mile
approximately 160 pennies = 1 pound; 84,480 pennies = 528 pounds

- 100 provides two days of supplemental food and multivitamins for one AIDS patient
- 100 provides rice, beans, oil, salt and instant noodles for a family of six for one day
- 740 cost of making one health kit for people affected by war or natural disaster
- 1,000 provides plastic sheeting and household supplies for one temporary shelter
- 1,200 supplies clean drinking water for one person
- 1,500 buys one bag of cement for a sand dam in Zambia
- 1,500 supplies one child with a supplemental food package for a month in Tanzania
- 1,800 provides training for a community-based health promoter in El Salvador
- 2,500 covers the cost of eyeglasses for five people in Ukraine
- 3,000 pays for a teacher's kit in Haiti
- 3,000 pays for three community members in Colombia to be trained in water system maintenance
- 4,300 helps fund monthly activities for interethnic, interfaith peace clubs in schools in Nigeria
- 4,500 helps provide business training for one artisan in Kenya
- 7,000 provides a four-day peer educator training session for five youth in Bangladesh
- 7,000 provides tuition for one student to take an English course in Lebanon
- 7,500 provides training and materials for two participants in the vocational arts program to develop marketable skills such as carpentry and weaving in Guatemala
- 8,000 pays for a drip irrigation system for one garden in Mexico
- 10,000 provides five rabbits or six chickens to families in Palestine
- 12,400 provides sustainable agricultural training, equipment and seeds for 10 families
- 15,000 pays for one peace education instructor to lead a two-week session in Nepal
- 20,000 funds one immigration seminar in the United States
- 21,000 will cover the cost of feeding a family for five months in Ethiopia
- 24,000 will equip one teacher with the skills to implement restorative justice programming in Ukraine
- 31,200 covers the average cost to send a shipment of MCC material resources 200 mi.
- 50,000 pays to rehabilitate one borehole to make safe water available in Zambia
- 100,000 helps support a partner church in Canada with the costs of refugee sponsorship
- 250,000 finances a one-week national trauma-healing workshop for 30 people in Colombia

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