



EAST AFRICA CRISIS APPEAL 2017

*'Evening, morning and noon I cry out in
distress, and he hears my voice.'*

Psalm 55:17

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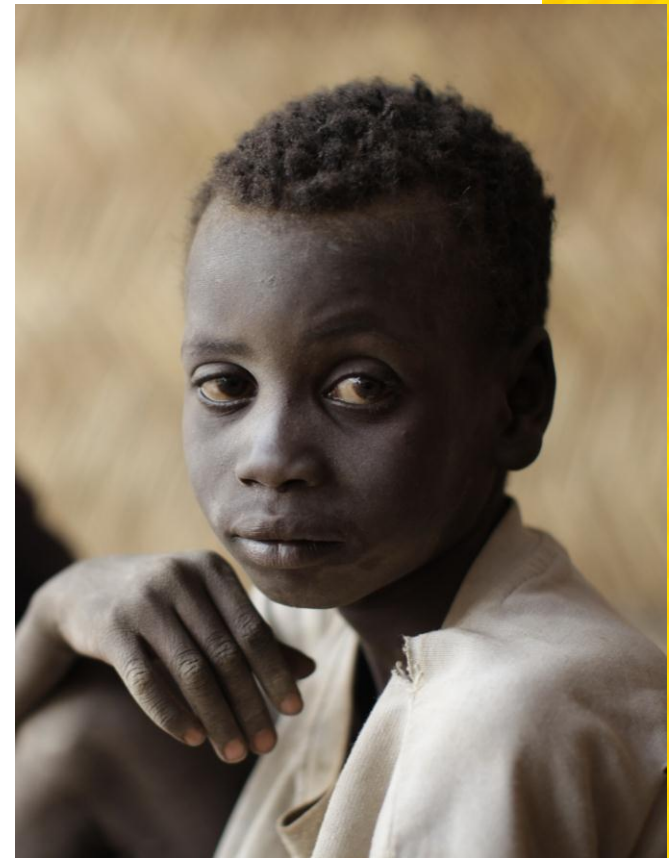
- East Africa is in the grip of a devastating food crisis.
- **16 million people on the brink of starvation.**
- Droughts have caused crops to fail. Livestock are dying and safe sources of water are scarce.



- Urgent need of food and safe water. Women and children bear the brunt of the crisis.
- **800,000+ children** under five are severely malnourished.
- An appeal has been launched for South Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia and Kenya. Tearfund are already on the ground working with our partners.

SOUTH SUDAN

- **4.9 million people** in urgent need of food assistance. Expected to increase to **5.5 million** by July.
- Causes include conflict, currency devaluation, acute malnutrition, difficulties in transporting aid, and below average harvests
- Tearfund are providing malnutrition treatment; food support; and safe water, sanitation and hygiene education.



ETHIOPIA

- **5.6 million** people in need of food assistance.
- Quarter of all districts in Ethiopia are officially classified as facing a food and nutrition crisis.
- Tearfund are responding but further plans, including food distributions, can only continue with extra funds.



SOMALIA

- **6.2 million** people face acute food shortage.
- Severe lack of safe water due to lack of rain.
- Tearfund are working in Somaliland, trucking water, renovating communal water sources, and conducting sanitation and hygiene education.



KENYA

- **2.7 million** people acutely food insecure. Expected to reach **4 million** by April.
- This increase is a result of poor rainfall, livestock and crop diseases, resource-based conflicts and high food prices.
- Tearfund plans to respond in the north of the country once funding becomes available.



PLEASE PRAY

- Pray for an end to the droughts that have had such a devastating effect upon these lands. Ask God that the rains will fall when and where they are needed.
- Pray for all those who are suffering from hunger. Pray that they will be given comfort and strength and that they will receive the help they need without delay.
- There are many complex political situations in these countries. Ask God to smooth the way so that assistance can get to where it's needed the most without any hindrance.

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- Pray for an end to the various conflicts in this region; and that God's peace will reign supreme over East Africa. Ask that access to conflict-affected areas will not be limited in any way.
- Pray for the safety of all our partners who are working in potentially dangerous areas.
- Pray that there will be a huge response from the international community, and that funds will be made available to provide all that is needed.

Almighty God,

Hear the cries of your people in East Africa. Pour out your peace and provision upon South Sudan, Southern Ethiopia, Northern Kenya and Somalia. Ease the suffering of those affected by hunger, and give them your strength. Let peace reign over these lands. Lord, please bless all those who are responding to this crisis with your wisdom. Give them all they need to respond quickly and effectively. We pray that the international community will offer all the help it can to the people of East Africa.

Let your Kingdom come, and your will be done.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



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