



The Theosophical Order of Service, New Zealand

Humanitarian Appeal For Somalia/ Ethiopia/Kenya Famine



Can we help our brothers and sisters in East Africa?

The TOS in New Zealand is participating in an International TOS effort to help the famine disaster in East Africa. This effort is being coordinated by the TOS in Kenya and the TOS New Zealand has committed to raising over \$1000 to cover the costs of supporting five families for six months by providing food at a cost of 2,000 Kenyan shillings per month per family. This covers supplies of 22kgs of maize meal, cooking oil, sugar and salt. That's for a family of two parents and three children per month. The food will be personally handed to the recipients, principally the mothers.

Usha Shah, the convenor of the TOS in Nairobi, assures us of complete accountability in this project which the TOS intends to oversee for six months. None of our donations will go on administrative costs such as is the case with the big charitable organisations on the spot. Every penny will go to the beneficiaries, except for the bank fees associated at each end with the sending of the money.

Usha has received the names and documents of 50 families rather than the 30 we have found funds for so far but she is confident of our finding more sponsors by the end of August when the feeding is due to start.

The TOS is appealing both nationwide and also internationally to those who would like to donate to this appeal. Every little bit will help.
You can donate by one of the following ways:

- 1) Send your **cheque** to the **Theosophical Order of Service**
c/- HPB Lodge of the Theosophical Society
4 Warborough Ave
Epsom, Auckland 1051
- 2) By **Electronic Transfer** to the TOS – NZ Westpac account
03-0104-0088756-03 and contact tos@theosophy.org.nz for a receipt.

Please put your name and 'Famine appeal' in the reference line, and email or post your address for a receipt.

Thank you for your help in getting behind those much less fortunate than ourselves. This matter is urgent. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Renee Sell, National Coordinator on (09) 528 7373.