

CHURCH GUIDE



This Thanksgiving and Christmas season we have the chance to share the gift of justice with those living in poverty.

From November 29-January 18 Christians all across our nation are praying, fasting, and advocating for fast action on extreme poverty. People are pledging to fast, to donate the cost of a meal (\$10) to Micah Challenge, and to sign a letter to President-elect Obama urging him to *Act FAST* to support the Millennium Development Goals and cut global poverty in half by 2015.

We invite you and your church to take the Act *FAST* pledge, and support Micah Challenge USA in praying and calling for America to lead the world in ending extreme poverty.

Ways to help your Church Act *FAST*

- Announce the fast in Sunday school classes or during adult education hour and pass around the sign up sheet that includes pledge amounts. Download sign up sheets at www.micahchallenge.us. **Note:** It will work best if you collect donations when people sign up or on a pre determined Sunday morning. Donations can be mailed to the address at the bottom of this sheet.
- Ask your small group to participate in the fast. Use the 7 week Act *FAST* prayer guide to help you discuss and reflect on extreme poverty. Download the prayer guide at www.micahchallenge.us.
- Pass out postcards with information on “Micah’s Challenge to the Future President”. Order for free by emailing filetaj@micahchallenge.us.
- Invite people to sign “Micah’s Challenge to the Future President” during Sunday school classes, in small groups, or after the service. Download the sign up sheets at www.micahchallenge.us.
- Organize a prayer meeting and invite people to come worship and pray for those living in extreme poverty. Have copies of the Act *FAST* prayer guide available, or use portions of it during a service. Download the Act *FAST* prayer guide at www.micahchallenge.us

We can do it, but we need to Act *FAST*!