

## **"STOP HUNGER"**

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Here is Mrs. Sunday School Teacher and all the Sunday School students! She asked the class this question: "Can you all go visit the Governor of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg next Tuesday at 2:00 pm to ask him to STOP HUNGER?"



After a pause Elizabeth raised her hand and said, "But Mrs. Sunday School Teacher, we all go to school next Tuesday."

"Well then," Mrs. Sunday School Teacher said. "Would you all go over to the Shelter tonight and cook a meal for the homeless children?"

"Our parents would not allow us to do that," said Gator. "Besides that, I'm too short to cook."

"Do you know anyone who is hungry?" The children thought to themselves and said "NO." But Elizabeth looked over at Latisha and Toquoia

and wondered. Elizabeth heard her father say that Latisha and Toquoia's father lost his job, so she knew that they probably do not have enough money to buy much food. And Mrs. Rutabaga, the old woman in the upstairs apartment who watches them sometimes, she probably does not have much food either.

"Would you give a plate of food to a hungry child?" the teacher asked.

And all the children wanted to say yes, but they were not sure how they could do that.

"Well, think for a moment about what you COULD do and what you SHOULD do and what you WOULD do if grown-ups helped. And then I want you to draw that idea on a paper plate and a grown-up will take that "Plate of Food" to the governor's office in Harrisburg next week."

Barabas drew bringing a can of tomatoes for the Food Pantry collection.

Ken drew a picture of putting an envelope with money in the offering plate.

Running Chairs drew a picture of Hay, her favorite food.

Maribeth drew a picture of a plate of food. It has turkey and potatoes with gravy and broccoli and pumpkin pie!

Haman drew his favorite game on his mother's phone, which has nothing to do with food, but then he drew an apple on top of the phone.

If I give each of you a paper plate and some crayons, could each of YOU draw a picture of how YOU might help to stop hunger. You can color it at your chair and then put it in the basket at the door when worship is over. I will display them all on the glass doors back there and a grownup really will take them to the Governor of Pennsylvania next week.

Just look at all the plates of food the children drew!

