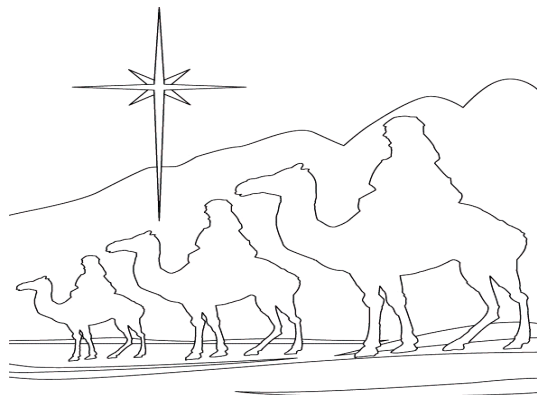


“Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight!”
Matthew 3:3



HELP MAKE STRAIGHT THE PATH

In this season of Advent, let us remember our brothers and sisters in hunger and help unbend the crooked paths keeping them in poverty.

The Senate votes on the farm bill this week, one of the most vital pieces of legislation for struggling farmers and hungry people in our country and around the world. By asking our senators for farm bill reform, we can help improve people's lives and, in so doing, prepare a path for justice.

Call the Capitol using Bread for the World's toll-free number
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Call your senators on **Mon., Dec. 10**, and ask them to support:

- **The FRESH Amendment;**
- **The Dorgan-Grassley Amendment**
- **The Brown-Sununu Amendment; and**
- **Any other amendments that help make our commodity payments fairer for all farmers and provide additional funding for the Food Stamp Program.**

“See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.”
Isaiah 43:19

WHY DOES THE FARM BILL NEED REFORM?

- ❖ 1 out of 4 children in rural America live in poverty. The farm bill could increase funding for vital rural development programs that can better serve rural America.
- ❖ 2/3rds of farmers in America receive no federal support. The farm bill could make our nation's commodity programs more equitable for all.
- ❖ 35 million Americans struggle to put food on the table. The farm bill could increase funding for crucial nutrition programs like food stamps, which help feed hungry families.

HOW WILL THESE AMENDMENTS HELP?

- **The FRESH Amendment:** The Lugar-Lautenberg FRESH amendment would broaden the agricultural safety net by making a free revenue insurance program available to all farmers. This would save billions dollars that would be used to invest in nutrition programs, specialty crop programs, critical conservation programs and the McGovern-Dole international school feeding program.
- **Dorgan/Grassley Amendment:** The Dorgan/Grassley amendment would establish a hard cap for commodity payments at \$250,000 per household, helping target payments where they are needed. The amendment would also make sure that payments flow to working farmers rather than their landlords. The money saved from capping payments to the largest producers and landowners would be redirected into nutrition and conservation programs.
- **Other amendments, like Brown-Sununu,** that add funding to nutrition: At stake is the security of funding for nutrition program improvements. Several amendments will be offered to increase funding for nutrition programs. Senators should support amendments that build on the improvements made in the Senate Agriculture Committee.



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