



News From Foods Resource Bank

FRB Welcomes You to the Annual Gathering - July 13-15

There is only a month left till FRB's annual gathering in Gaithersburg, Maryland so be sure to make your hotel reservation and R.S.V.P to FRB.

This year the annual gathering features an ice cream social, panel discussions and presentations by three overseas visitors, a field trip to a growing project farm for dinner, and a daylong visit to Washington D.C.

The meeting is being hosted by the Myersville, MD growing project and will take place the 13-15 of July at the Courtyard

Gaithersburg Washingtonian Center.

FRB will kick off the annual gathering on the 13th with an ice cream social in the evening at 7pm.

Wednesday the 14th will focus on special guests of FRB including David Beckmann, president of Bread for the World and panel discussions with program representatives from Uganda, Liberia, Ethiopia and Haiti.

Program representatives include Patrick Beckley, Country Director for World Hope International



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Liberia, Evelyn Nasuna, Country Director for Lutheran World Relief in Uganda, Cher-Frère Fortune, Program Director in Haiti and a guest from Ethiopia.

In the evening all are invited to celebrate at the Grossnickle & Hurwitz farm with hayrides and dinner. Buses will be available for those attending and farm-

Dates to Remember

Overseas Trips

- *West Africa– Sept 14-30, 2010*
- *ECHO Conference in Ougadougou, Burkina Faso Sept. 20-24, 2010*

Join FRB at ECHO as part of the upcoming West Africa trip. More information on ECHO at:

<http://www.echonet.org/>.

- *Jordan & Palestine– October 27– November 6, 2010*

Those interested in the Jordan/Palestine trip will be placed on a wait list in case of cancellation.

- *S. America– January 2011 Will include Colombia, Bolivia, Peru*
- *Malawi & Zambia– February/March 2011*

Giving to FRB: Why FRB is Thankful for Facebook and for Donors

Every day we find new things to be thankful for at FRB. For the month of May FRB received a total of \$415 in donations through "Causes" on Facebook.

The impact of these gifts to FRB is exciting when we consider that for less than \$10.00 per year per person on average, people can participate in an agri-

cultural development program.

Thus the \$415, which equals about \$13 a day, from our friends on Facebook adds up quickly!

Imagine if each friend engaged two others to join the FRB cause... the combined effort would mean that more than 1500 people would be able to participate in an

FRB funded program within a year's time.

Much of FRB's funding comes from its US growing projects but you don't have to participate in a growing project to support FRB. There are many ways to give including: donating to the FRB annual fund, corporate donations, matching gifts programs,

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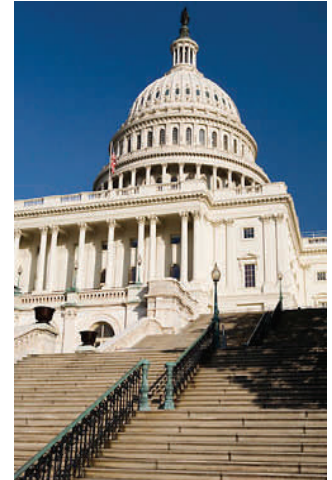
appropriate clothing is recommended. Thursday the 15th will be spent in Washington D.C. attending a special roundtable discussion with the Partnership to Cut Hunger and Poverty in Africa and the Alliance to End Hunger. The remainder of the day will be spent in visits with congress people on Capitol Hill and sightseeing.

Please register for the FRB's annual gathering by emailing your name, address, and affiliation to FRB to admin@foodsresourcebank.org.

For hotel reservations, please call

(301) 527-9000 or (800) 321-2211. Ask for FRB's group rate of \$99 per night. If you are making airline reservations use Reagan Washington National (DCA), Baltimore Washington International Airport (BWI) or Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

With a billion people chronically hungry we have much work to do to alleviate hunger through supporting sustainable agriculture. Please join FRB in July to celebrate our accomplishments and to focus on the work ahead. We look forward to seeing you in Gaithersburg!



Attention Federal Employees!

If you are a federal employee, please consider making a contribution to FRB through the Combined Federal Campaign. Our CFC code is 12536. If you are interested in representing FRB at your local CFC kickoff please contact (888) 276-4372.



Young People Invited to Travel with FRB

FRB invites its young volunteers to come travel overseas. Thanks to a grant from the John Deere Foundation, FRB is pleased to be able to offer matching scholarships to help cover travel costs for young people interested in agriculture and growing solutions to world hunger.

Those interested in traveling should contact FRB with their request. If their application is ac-

cepted, the grantee will receive a scholarship for half the total travel cost. Check out the newsletter for upcoming overseas trips.

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This is a great opportunity to

visit the overseas program your growing project supports or to learn about life and agriculture outside the US. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, please contact FRB at (888) 276-4372.



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church involvement, participating in the Combined Federal Campaign (see sidebar) and personal giving.

Our thankfulness extends in many directions and in many ways. As you consider the one billion people around the world who do not have enough to eat, think about what you might be able to do to make a difference.

As our friends on Facebook have discovered, what may seem like a small act of kindness can bring about a life changing effect. With your help and support, we can continue growing lasting solutions to world hunger.

Check us out and donate to FRB on Facebook or online at foodsresourcebank.org.