

DROUGHT IN

AFRICA AFFECTING 11 MILLION

Baptist Global Response facts of Africa drought crisis
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The Horn of Africa (HOA) is experiencing its worst drought in 60 years. The current drought and growing famine is now affecting almost 11 million people in Somalia, Ethiopia, and Kenya.

Currently, an estimated 770,000 people have fled to refugee camps, mainly in northeastern Kenya. Almost all of these are from Somalia, the hardest hit area.

The United Nations estimates about \$1.3 billion dollars will be needed to respond to this crisis. Baptist Global Response (BGR) is working with its partners to respond to the situation. Since 2009, over \$250,000 has been allocated for feeding projects focused in Northern Kenya and Ethiopia.

BGR is continuing to monitor the current situation among the people we are working with in the HOA. We are working with implementing partners to develop ministries that will reach those most vulnerable during this critical time of hunger and suffering.

Please pray for those in need. Pray that the rains will come on time this year. Typical rainy and growing season begins in September and October. The sad news is that even if the rains are good this year and start on time, there are still months of hunger until the next harvest.

For those interested in giving, donations may be made to the "Horn of Africa Drought Crisis" at www.gobgr.org.

Checks can be sent to:

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