



# POVERTY FACTS

Here are some useful facts to help introduce your church to the scale of current global poverty.

- » One third of the world's children live in extreme poverty.
- » A child dies from hunger every five seconds.
- » Roughly one in every six children aged between five and 14 years of age is involved in child labour.
- » More than one billion (one in five) people live on less than \$1 a day.
- » Nearly nine million children under the age of five die each year. Two thirds of these deaths — around six million — are preventable.
- » Approximately 15 million children under the age of 18 have lost one or both parents to AIDS.
- » Although they make up half of the global population, women account for over 70 per cent of those living in extreme poverty.
- » Women work two thirds of the world's working hours, but only earn one tenth of the world's income.

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in Jesus' name