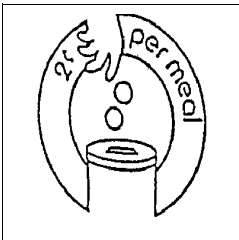
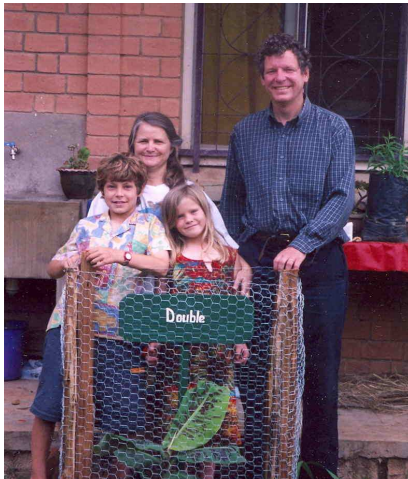


Fruit Trees for Madagascar

Dan and Elizabeth Turk, who are PCUSA missionaries, were invited to serve in Madagascar through FJKM's (Church of Jesus Christ in Madagascar) development branch, within which are departments of health, environment, agriculture, and safe drinking-water. The FJKM believes that Christian witness should include ministry both to the physical and spiritual needs of God's people and care for all of God's creation. Dan and Elizabeth work as advisors to FJKM's environment and health departments, respectively.

Dan works with the FJKM environment department to help people improve their lives while living more in harmony with the creation. With per capita income less than \$250 per year, many Malagasy people have difficulty feeding their families. Less than 25 percent of the country's native forests remain today, the majority having been converted to grasslands. The cutting of native trees for fuel wood and to clear fields for agriculture continues to threaten the island's unique animals and the more than 8,000 plants found only in Madagascar. FJKM has responded by helping people plant trees for fuel wood and construction wood, by promoting environmental awareness in primary schools and rural communities, and by encouraging more intensive agriculture through growing fruit trees and off-season crops. Dan is especially involved in efforts to plant fruit trees and native trees.

Elizabeth helps the staff of the FJKM health department design and implement a community health program. The program works with rural communities to prevent and treat the major illnesses that threaten health: malaria, measles, diarrhea, and pneumonia. These volunteers teach others in their communities how they can prevent and treat illnesses before they become life-threatening.



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What is the Two Cents Per Meal Program?

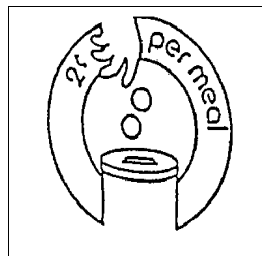
“Only two cents so that everyone can participate regardless of income. Those who have will give more, those who have little to give will have more.” These were the words given to Roselwyn Calvert in Titusville, Florida in November 1975. She and her family were praying for direction as they watched the starving people of Bangladesh on the national news. “We were shocked! We were living on \$1.00 a day for the three of us for food after a lay off. The move and double house payments were absorbing our income. What could we do? The Lord said that 2¢ a day, regardless of race, color or creed for 20 years would help. We could do that!”



The Culverts sent their small checks, along with an explanation of what they were doing to the office of the PCUS. The 2¢ offering plan was adopted by the Northeast Florida Spring Presbyterial in April of 1976. From there it has spread across the nation. It was adopted in the Central Florida Presbytery in 1983. In twenty-five years we have collected over 2 million dollars to share with our partners.

We have partnered with folks throughout the world as well as locally. Our current partners are Secondharvest Food Bank of Central Florida, Society of St. Andrew which is also here in Florida, Rancho Ebenezer in Nicaragua, the Comprehensive Development Project (CODEP) in Haiti and the Turks who are planting and educating about fruit trees in Madagascar.

PARTNERSHIP COVENANT



Through God's love I covenant with the other members of the Central Florida Presbytery to

- Enter into this partnership of prayer, understanding and gifts
- Become part of the Presbyterian Answer to Hunger (PATH)
- Share concerns of the world's hungry with my family

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- Give 2 ¢ per meal per person to provide aid