



## Global Justice Week

Raising awareness of global issues. Because we care

### Reminder:

Come by CCF Monday morning to get a pin to wear for the day

## Serving the body of Christ

<sup>21</sup>“The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I don’t need you!’ And the head cannot say to the feet, ‘I don’t need you!’ <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpreventable are treated with special modesty, <sup>24</sup>while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, <sup>25</sup>so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. <sup>26</sup>If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.”

-1 Corinthians 12: 21-26 (NIV)

In the modern world, people with AIDS and HIV are viewed similarly to the way that people with leprosy would have been treated in the time of the early church. In parts of the world, people with AIDS are forcibly relocated into slums full of other AIDS victims and abandoned by their friends, family and governments. In other parts of the world, governments refuse to acknowledge the problem, sometimes by lying about the numbers or lying about how to fight it to the detriment of their own people.

As parts of the body of Christ, it is our calling to help the other parts of the body when they are suffering, even if they are rejected by other parts of society. It is important to remember the grace of God and make sure that we reflect this in our actions, especially when dealing with those that society sees as lacking honor.

- As parts of the body, what can we do to help relieve others of their suffering?
- What do we do that makes those suffering with HIV/AIDS feel like they aren't a part of the body? How can we make them feel more accepted within the Church?
- How could the fight against HIV/AIDS be changed if the church responded to the problem as one body?
- How can being part of the same body bring comfort to all of us?

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><b>AIDS</b> Come pick up a pin from CCF Monday morning and wear it all day</p>	<p><b>Child Exploitation</b> Dress up like you're a kid again and hand out Dum Dums with stats attached</p>	<p><b>Natural Disasters</b> Come get a candle at CCF Tuesday at Café or Wednesday morning and carry it during the day</p>	<p><b>Slums</b> Come look at the model slum we'll have on the CCF front lawn. Wear a nametag that says 1/7 on it</p>	<p><b>Refugees</b> Wear something with "not just a number" written on it in English and another languages</p>