

## **EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT**

*Transition* has been the theme for this year as Judy Rosensteel relinquished her role as ER&D diocesan coordinator and Dr. Diane Duntley accepted appointment as the new coordinator. The first project is rebuilding the team of parish ER&D coordinators.

A fall initiative will focus on helping families (including grandparents, aunts, and uncles!) develop a commitment to giving meaningful gifts through ER&D that will “help heal a hurting world.” This may counter-balance the pre-Christmas focus on the “I want...” syndrome, to instead focus on preparing hearts and minds for a “We gave...” focus.

A spring emphasis will focus on activities in the season after Epiphany that lead up to the day established by General Convention as ER&D Sunday – the First Sunday in Lent (March 9, 2014).

Supporting materials will help parish coordinators develop and implement a continuing presence of the spirit of ER&D within parishes. Please share past and current experiences with ER&D in your parish.

Respectfully submitted,  
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