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COMPASSION CALENDAR

1 Find a fair-trade coffee vendor in your area and give 25¢ for every cup of coffee you drink today.

2 Learn more about furthering literacy (www.sil.org/literacy), and give 2¢ for every book in your home.

3 Visit www.childinfo.org to learn about child protection, and pray for children who are forced to work.

4 Find three ways to provide nutritious meals for area children and give 5¢ for every can of food in your home.

5 Find ways to help protect natural resources such as farmable land, and give 70¢.

6 Learn about the economics of fair trade at www.maketradefair.org.

7 Research water-cleaning processes. Give \$2 if you have clean water in your home.

8 For every child who does not work outside of your home, give \$1 and buy child labor-free items.

Give 25¢ for every banana in your house and switch to fair trade bananas.

9 **10** **11** Think of ways you can consume less and preserve the world for everyone.

Give 25¢ for everyone in your family whose immunizations are up-to-date and volunteer at a free clinic.

Give 2¢ for every light bulb in your home and talk with your family about daily life without electricity.

Give 50¢ for every candy bar in your house or office. Learn about fair trade cocoa products at www.transfairusa.org.

Give 10¢ for every water faucet in your home and 5¢ for every bottle of water.

12 **13** **14** **15** Give 29¢ for everyone in your family who is healthy and pray for those affected by AIDS.

16 List 15 ways to show God's compassion. Thank God for His compassion in your life and do one item from your list.

17 Go to www.ncm.org/education.aspx to learn about poverty and what you can do. Give \$1.

Pray for peace and give 5¢ for every year you have lived safely in your home.

Find recycle centers in your community and minimize your paper consumption. Give 25¢ for every recyclable you threw out today.

18 **19** **20** Pray for the people who minister through acts of compassion.

21 Fast one meal this week, and use this time to pray for underweight children in South Asia.

Give \$1 for every loan you have paid off.

22 **23** Give 50¢ for every toilet in your home.

Give \$2 if you don't know anyone who has died from TB, and research the world areas most-severely affected by TB.

Learn about helping under-age soldiers at **25** www.invisiblechildren.com.

24 **26** Volunteer at a local shelter and brainstorm 10 ways you can get involved in your community.

27 Give 2¢ for every mile you drove last week and talk to your family about using less fuel.

Educate yourself about child labor and education. Give 25¢ for every academic degree in your home.

28 **29** Give \$1 if you have never had malaria, which kills over 1 million people each year.

30 Learn about human rights violations at www.hrw.org. Give 25¢ for everyone in your home who doesn't work.

Along with prayers and gifts, help the world's poor by consuming less and thereby making more available for others.

