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Service, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), Iowa-Nigeria Partnership, Heifer International, and Self-Help International.

In addition, some of the offering money from the Ingathering events will be made available to local Iowa agencies that alleviate hunger in their communities. The July/August 2011 *Response* magazine tells us that hunger in America is not solely an issue for the jobless. Many poor work every single day. Thirty-six percent of families seeking assistance at food banks have at least one adult employed.

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