



Harvest 2023 assembly for young people

Themes: Emergencies, floods, Pakistan, CAFOD

Length: Approx. 5 minutes without the video, 8 minutes with the video.

Level: KS3 and KS4

Materials: Harvest (Brighten Up) assembly PowerPoint, internet connection to show the video.

Desired learner outcomes

Students will:

- know some of the impacts of floods in Pakistan
- understand how CAFOD can respond immediately to emergencies around the world through the Caritas International network
- see the relationship between taking action and supporting communities overseas.

Teachers: You can order free posters, stickers and collection boxes and envelopes at shop.cafod.org.uk. A local food bank collection could be included in your assembly, remembering our local as well as global family.

Volunteers: Please check with schools whether they plan to run this assembly themselves.



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Good morning/afternoon. Welcome to our Harvest assembly from CAFOD, the Catholic Agency For Overseas Development.



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Imagine the whole of the UK covered in flood water...

...not just a few places, but everywhere.



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Last summer, in Pakistan, an area the same size as the UK was under water as terrible floods swept away people, homes and animals.

By harvest time, when farmers usually gather in their crops, there was no harvest to gather.



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Many people died in the floods, and many others were injured.

As part of the global Caritas network, CAFOD was quickly able to help.

Caritas has experts all around the world - organisations like CWSA, Community World Service Asia.



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CWSA sent mobile clinics to reach some of the people who most needed medical help, funded in part by fundraising in schools like ours.

[If you have time, click the arrow on the slide to show the short video at cafod.org.uk/secondary/harvest]





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Meera hurried to bring her children and got them the life-saving medicines and treatment they needed.

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True stories

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CAFOD does not leave after an emergency but continues to support communities as they rebuild so that they are better prepared for the next emergency.

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Ayra's mother loved the paintings.

She said: "We are happy to see the painting on the truck!"

"I am filled with joy and so is my daughter."



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This van is back on the road, bringing life-saving medical help to remote communities. And brightening their lives too! Ali said: "We put our identities, stories, faith and culture into this truck. Wherever it goes it brings joy to the people."



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<u>You</u> can Brighten Up our world too... and you don't have to wait for the next emergency.

[Insert here details of your own school's fundraising activities]



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Let's pray together:

Loving God, we stand with our sisters and brothers, who have done little to cause the climate crisis, yet are forced to endure its impacts.

Give us determination to work with them for justice, generosity to share your gifts more fairly, and inspiration to care for creation together, until everyone can live life to the full.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Thank you.

Teachers/chaplains: Students can learn more about how CAFOD responds in any emergency by using the video, flowchart and game at: cafod.org.uk/education/secondary-and-youth-resources/games/flood-board-game