

# Anti-Poverty Week

27 September - 02 October 2010

Algoa Region

*God's own son was born into poverty in a stable, in the year of a great census. Scripture tells us that in God's kingdom, "the least shall be the first". Does the way we live bear witness to this truth? Are we living in true solidarity with people who are poor, homeless and excluded*



**How did our world get into this dreadful condition in the first place?**

South Africa: The majority of South Africans still perceived themselves as lacking enough food and income to meet all their household needs.

Zimbabwe "Now A Factory of Poverty"

Mozambique: growth with poverty. A difficult transition from prolonged war to peace and development

Botswana Ethnic minorities, such as the San, get little recognition or support from the government

Namibia: Namibia is a place of poverty amid plenty.

**The main aims of Anti-Poverty Week are to:**

Strengthen public understanding of the causes and consequences of poverty and hardship around the world

Encourage research, discussion and action to address these problems, including action by individuals, communities, organizations and churches

All our churches, organisations and individuals are encouraged to organise their own activities during the week or join in some being organised by others

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## What are we expected to do as the UCCSA

Its our time to act -Collect clothes and food from the poor in your community adopt a project that works for the eradication of poverty

Raise your voice and make sure that you challenge the unjust structures

Learn, pray and take action through the week with our prayer calendar in print or online

Hold a church service for Homelessness Sunday or Poverty Action Sunday

Explore the theme with children and young people.

Raise funds for vital projects and campaigns, with a sponsored event or Cup of Tea Day

Its our time to act

Be a community leader

Organise flash mobs

Campaign for change

Get training

Poverty essay

For more information and ideas visit [www.uccsaantipovertyweek.co.za](http://www.uccsaantipovertyweek.co.za)

