

Statement on Poverty for Religious Leader's Consultation on Poverty

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The Church's mission is to reconcile all things to Christ. This is the essence of justice. There is no greater mandate of justice in the world today than the eradication of poverty from the earth. Nothing will do more to promote stability in the world. All of the major religions share a belief in God's compassion, and that, coupled with the knowledge that poverty is a consequence of policies, not chance, demands that people of faith advocate not just a reduction but an end to poverty.