

## **Organizing a Hunger Banquet**

Thank you for helping us spread the word about the need to help children who are suffering from malnutrition. A hunger banquet is a fun way to get family, friends and neighbors involved. We are here to help you in any way. You can use all of the ideas included or choose the ones that work for you. Thank you in advance! -Bountiful Children

1. Tickets can be sold individually or at family rates. You may also choose to give a discount if someone donates something to the silent auction or brings a food item.
2. Each guest draws a ticket at random to sit in a different area. Families can choose to all sit together or divide up. Approximately 20% of attendees will represent the high-income tier, 30% will represent the middle-income tier, and 50% will represent the low-income tier. You may also have tickets that describe a person in that income bracket.
3. The low-income tier may eat a meal of rice, beans, water and a sucker. The middle-income tier may eat a meal of rice, beans, a meat, water and a cookie. The high-income group may eat a meal of rice, beans, meat, salad, a drink and a special dessert.

### **Organizing the event**

1. Pick a location and date
2. Decide on ticket prices per individual/per family
3. Pick an emcee, someone to mention humanitarian trips, introductions, etc.
4. Begin advertising through social media. Ask for volunteers to help bring items and to bring a friend.

### **The day of the event**

1. Tablecloths for high-income, normal tables for middle-income, and blankets or cardboard boxes for low-income families to sit on.
2. Have a serving area for low-income and middle income. High-income can be served on nice plates.
3. Volunteers to help set up, check in, serve food, help at culture booths, help with clean up.

### **Items needed if planning on 100 people**

1. Tables & linens/ 50 chairs
2. Boxes/blankets for 50
3. Food items for 100
4. Paper/glass products for 100
5. Silent auction items

6. Culture booth items (represent some different countries?)
7. Sign up, donation, information, silent auction table
8. Sound system
9. Screen and slide projector
10. Microphone
11. Music

**Volunteers needed**

- 8-10 people to arrive 1 hour early to set up
- 1 person for AV equipment
- 2 people to distribute tickets
- 2 people to guide people to their seats
- 2-4 people to help at booths
- 2 people to serve high income group
- 2 people to help at low income and middle income table.
- All stay to help clean up

**Timeline**

- 5:00-6:00pm Setup  
6:00-6:15 Check in  
6:15-6:20 Welcome, president, humanitarian trip, etc.  
6:20-6:35 Emcee  
6:35-6:50 Eat, slideshow, music  
6:50-7:15 Silent auction (or live auctioneer), final thoughts.

Thank you for your help!