

The 30 Hour Famine!

On November 13, 2004 our YAD members participated in World Vision's 30 Hour Famine. The 30 Hour Famine is a charity event in which the fundraised money is used to help solve hunger, water, and education problems in impoverished parts of the world. This year 27 of our members took to challenge to experience what hunger is for themselves and to feel what would be a miniscule portion of what millions of children feel everyday in the world.



The Famine officially started at 12:30 PM on November 13, and the group busied themselves with many fun and meaningful activities. We watched videos that explained the severity of world poverty today, and also The Day After Tomorrow, where we learned that we owe our home planet much respect. They even helped serve a buffet dinner to the adults to fully understand the feeling of not being able to eat while seeing others are able to do so.

The evening ended off with playing board games and even showing off our ugliest pajamas. The next day continued with morning chanting, meditation, and watching a video about Fo Guang Shan in Kaohsiung. Many thanks to Venerable Yung Ku for teaching two seminars and supporting this event with the other venerables. We would also like to thank all our loving parents and sponsors for their support, we were able to raise over \$3000 in only just two weeks to help many needy people! The next 30 Hour Famine will be on the official Famine date next April, so keep your eyes peeled folks!

