

## Fundraising News



### **The Bequia Mission will soon be earning money through an environmentally beneficial recycling program:**

The Bequia Mission has currently launched a new fundraising initiative through enrollment in the “Think Recycle “ program. Participation in this program will allow the Mission to earn funds by reusing or recycling used printer cartridges and cell phones. The program diverts these items from landfill, and through a partnership with American Forest and Trees Canada, for every 24 qualifying items received, a tree will be planted on behalf of the Bequia Mission.

The collection boxes have arrived and were distributed at the autumn board meeting on October 19, 2008. Posters explaining the fundamentals of the program were available to be paired with the collection boxes.

Any type of printer cartridge or style of cell phone may be collected. If the item is in good shape and in demand, the Mission will receive payment. If the item is damaged or outdated, no compensation will be awarded, but it will still be disassembled and recycled, thus diverting it from landfill.

So, if you are not currently recycling printer cartridges or cell phones in your place of work, child’s school or church organization, please consider introducing this program. Details regarding distribution and collection of the recycling boxes and posters were discussed at the board meeting and were included in the newsletter along with a progress report. If you would like to visit the Think Recycle website, the address is [www.thinkrecycle.com](http://www.thinkrecycle.com) If you would like more information on the Mission’s involvement in this program, please feel free to contact the Mission.