

CLANCY'S CLICHES

We are one. Always. Just reach across any continent, any ocean, any street. Relatives, purpose, celebration—they are everywhere. It's truly a small world.

Thirty years ago, Michael Jackson and Lionel Richie, among others, helped carry out the vision of Harry Belafonte's fundraising to aid Africa. The result was an album, We Are The World, which included a multitude of phenomenal musicians. Record sales exceeded anyone's imagination.

Even I can howl the simple, beautiful, catchy melody of the title song! And the words...well, get a tissue:

*There comes a time when we need a certain call
When the world must come together as one
There are people dying
Oh, and it's time to lend a hand to life
The greatest gift of all
We can't go on pretending day by day
That someone, somehow will soon make a change
We're all a part of God's great big family
And the truth - you know love is all we need
We are the world, we are the children
We are the ones who make a brighter day so let's start giving
There's a choice we're making ...
That one change can only come
When we stand together as one*

As a result, another Aid for Africa benefit event, Hands Across America, took place the following year. A human chain of hands. My paws and my mama's paws included, connected from coast to coast—sometimes 6-7 people deep. Imagine!

Yes, "imagine all the people, living life in peace" as John Lennon sang. And let's "teach the world to sing in perfect harmony" as an Italian mountaintop sang out in the Coke commercial. It's amazing what the end result of a simple seed of vision can produce when we stand together, when we work as one wave of love. Invisible hands: reach out, connect, hold, and touch someone, somehow. We are the world. We are one world.

August's Awesome Observances:

Two of my faves!

August 6: National Root Beer Float Day-have some "Barks" Root Beer!

August 16: National Tell-A-Joke Day (Mwah-ha-ha!)

Howlin's hootn'; Growlin's not gooten!



- Clancy

CLANCY'S CACKLES



Knock, knock! Who's there? Rolfe. Rolfe Who? Rolfe, Rolfe! Quit the barking, will you?!

1. What do you call a French guy in sandals? **Phillippe Philippe!**
2. Where do sheep go on vacation? **To the Baa-hamas!**
3. Where did Tarzan go on vacation? **Hollywood and Vine!**
4. What does a Tarzan Cow swing on? **A bo-vine!**
5. What did the doctor boat say to the father boat? **It's a buoy!**
6. Why was the baby dollar crying? **It needed to be changed!**

