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Your Legacy. Their Gift of Life.



Thank you.

I know the work of Tearfund means a great deal to you and I want to thank you personally for considering a legacy gift to Tearfund.

Although we all have different stories, many of us can see how God has worked faithfully throughout our lives. Maybe it wasn't always easy, but looking back throughout the years we can see how God has been ever faithful and how richly He blessed us; sometimes in unexpected ways!

As my wife and I are planning our future, we have set aside legacy funds for our children. But we have also included that extra child, which is called charity. And the organization that we've decided to set aside money to is Tearfund.

Legacy giving is an incredible way for you to share a bit of what God has blessed you with. It not only gives you the opportunity to provide for your family and loved ones, but to support the causes you care deeply about.

For many people around the world, the effects of poverty, hunger, war or conflict are overwhelming. But, even in the most difficult of circumstances, there is always hope.

Your legacy could be the gift of life in the darkest of places; helping to provide long-term solutions to poverty and offering hope to those who need it most.

Thank you for being with us on this journey as we seek to show God's love and grace, reaching out to those in need with hope and compassion. We couldn't do what we do without faithful supporters like you.

God Bless,



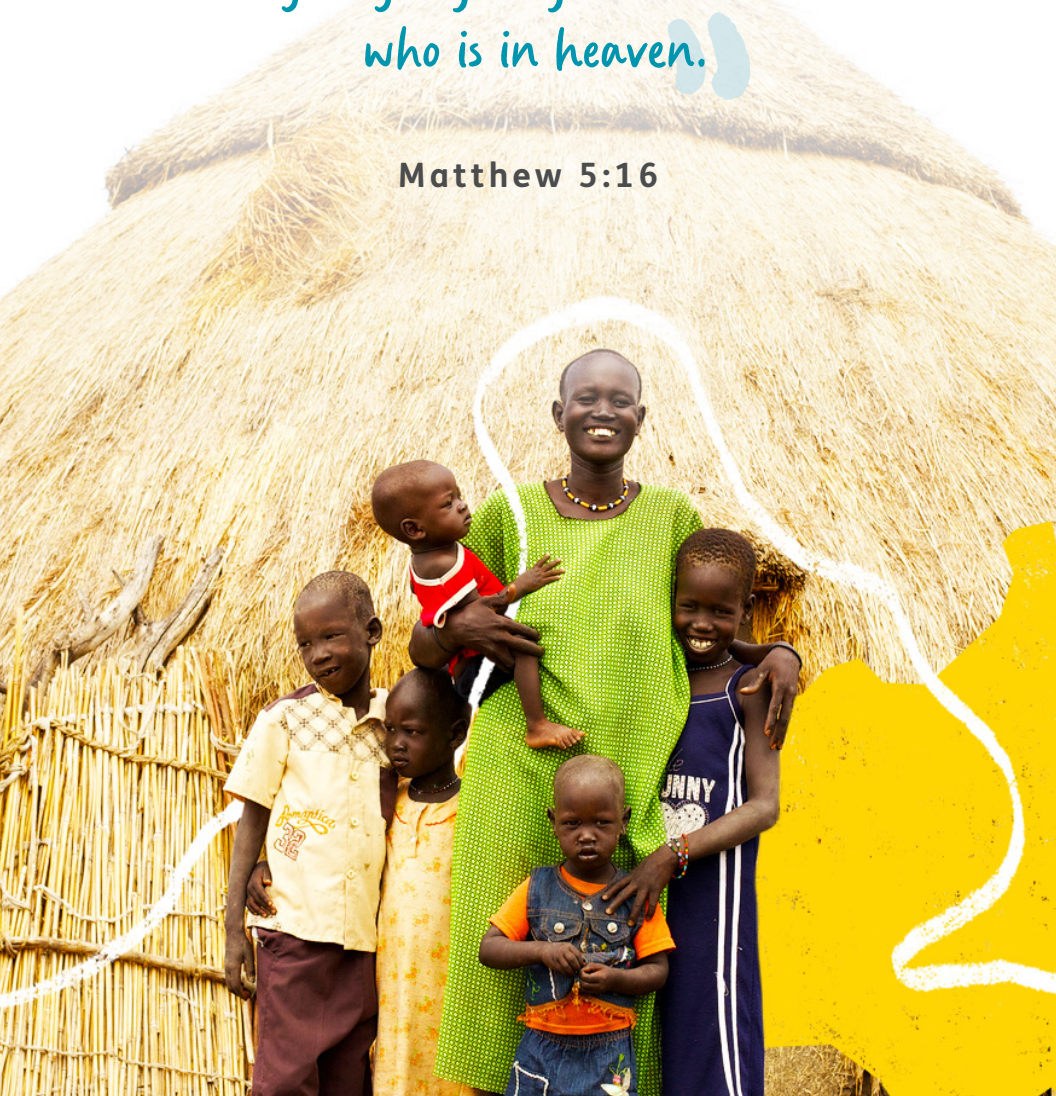
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In the same way,
let your light shine before
others, so that they may
see your good works and
give glory to your Father
who is in heaven.

Matthew 5:16





Leaving a Legacy

In Canada there are several tax-wise options that meet your financial priorities and legacy aspirations. Leaving a legacy gift to Tearfund provides long-term benefits to both you and your family, and to the many families we serve around the world. Your gift will ensure families living in some of the hardest places on earth can live free from poverty while providing you with long-term tax, financial, and estate plans.

Since each family situation is unique, our job is to guide you to experts who would best serve your unique family, passions, and legacy goals. Should you wish to leave a legacy gift to Tearfund, we are more than happy to assist you with this endeavor.

What options are available to you?

Depending on the type of financial investments you may have, there are several tailorable ways to ensure that your gift's impact endures for generations to come.

- 1. Wills and bequests** – Wills are simple to create, and do not need to be expensive. You may choose to give a portion of your property as a donation to Tearfund in your Will. We recommend that you seek advice from your lawyer, tax advisor, or financial planner.
- 2. Stocks & Securities** – Making a contribution to Tearfund Canada with your stocks can be of great benefit to you. There are no taxes on capital gains from the sale of stocks or mutual funds when giving to a charity. All gifts made through a stock, mutual fund, bond, or shares publicly traded on a CRA-recognized stock exchange are eligible for a charitable deduction tax receipt.

- 3. Property and endowments** – Endowments are pooled donations that ensure your permanent impact on the lives of many impoverished families. Your donation remains protected in this fund and remains untouched. When these funds are invested, their value grows, enabling Tearfund to continue reaching the places of greatest need.
- 4. Gift annuities** – Gift annuity agreements provide you with a life-long stream of annual income in exchange for contributing sizable support to Tearfund, either through cash, securities, or personal property. Tearfund will place your funds in a secure investment account. Then, according to your Annuity Agreement, you would receive a fixed monthly or quarterly stream of income from the fund for your lifetime. You also have the opportunity to take partial tax deductions immediately, as well as on a portion of the income stream. Gift annuities are a great vehicle to help balance your charitable giving priorities with your financial goals.
- 5. Gifts in memory** – One of the most meaningful ways to honour the life of your loved one or friend is to help ensure the local church fulfills its mission as Jesus' hands and feet in this world. When you make a gift to Tearfund in remembrance of your loved one or friend, Tearfund will, on your behalf, send a letter to the family, acknowledging your thoughtful gift.
- 6. Life insurance** – The gift of life insurance is a cost-effective way to support Tearfund's long-term goals. A qualified financial advisor can help you create, transfer, or designate a beneficiary for a life insurance policy, allowing you to be eligible for several tax savings.

Together, we are empowering local churches to release more people from poverty and hunger. We are tremendously grateful for your heart and generosity. Thank you for allowing Tearfund Canada to be a part of your God-given legacy.



Questions to help you

1. What kind of legacy do you want to leave behind? Have you thought about it? Have you prayed about it?
2. Have you talked to your spouse or family about legacy giving? What kind of values do you want to leave or show in your family?
3. Which causes are closest to you? Is there one that really sticks out? Or are there several?
4. Is God leading your heart to a particular cause or program? Where do you think you can have the most impact for his Kingdom?
5. What type of assets has God blessed you with that you'd consider giving? Is it cash, stocks, estate, or other assets?

To request your copy of a **Will Planning Guide**, or to further discuss your impact through one of these giving options, please contact **Wayne Johnson**.




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And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8



What no eye has seen, nor ear
heard, nor the heart of man
imagined, what God has
prepared for those who love him

1 Corinthians 2:9

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