

The logo for Tearfund, consisting of the word "tearfund" in white lowercase letters inside a teal rounded rectangle.The word "Connect" in a large, yellow, handwritten-style font, set against a dark blue background that features a faint world map.

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The main title "Leaving a Legacy" in a large, white, handwritten-style font, centered over a background of a lush green banana plantation.

How you're creating lasting change

The text "Edition Highlights" in white, bold, sans-serif font, centered within a teal circular graphic.

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# What legacy will you leave?

It's a question we all ask ourselves at one point or another. We want our lives to have meaning. To be remembered.

When I look at the Scriptures on this topic I turn to one of the parables of Jesus in Luke 12:16-21. Here, we see a man who wonders what to do with his many riches. And what does he do? Instead of investing it wisely, or helping the poor, he decides to keep it all to himself to enjoy a life of pleasure—simply to die the next day!

The Bible talks a lot about what really matters. And the legacy we will leave is a question we constantly ask ourselves here at Tearfund too. We as a team want to make sure we're using the resources we have effectively and implement projects that truly make a difference.

Throughout this edition of Tearfund Connect we see the legacy of change some humble Canadian farmers are leaving—and how you can become involved. It's amazing stuff! We also explore a bit more about the legacy the war in Ukraine is having around the world as well as touch a little bit on legacy giving itself as a way to change lives.

As always, God bless you. We can't thank you enough for your prayers, donations, and support.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wayne Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue, textured background that resembles a map of Canada.

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# The Ripple Effect of War

As the war in Ukraine rages on, millions of people around the world are now in danger of being pushed into poverty and malnutrition. And while news crews are, justifiably, focused on the front-lines, the ripple effects are changing life thousands of kilometers away in some of the world's poorest places.

Did you know that fourteen African countries depend on Russia and Ukraine for more than half of their wheat imports, while almost half of African countries depend on more than a third? Within a matter of weeks, the war has already pushed grain prices up more than 25%! This has catastrophic impacts on the world's poorest families—who already struggle to eat one decent meal a day.

**Thankfully, donors like you are already making a difference.**

In response to the deepening hunger crisis, people like you have helped us start several projects to help meet the need. In Ethiopia, where inflation is rampant, we are working with the Terepeza Development Association to help farmers grow more food to eat but also provide emergency food. In South Sudan we just launched a \$1 million project aimed at providing 12,000 individuals with enough food last the next three months of the hunger season.

Generous donations from people like you provide a lifeline in such uncertain times. Thank you for your ongoing support and continue to pray for all those who are suffering throughout the world.



Cash Cow!

## How Canadian farmers are helping end poverty around the world.

(And how you can help)

Growing up in the small town of Listowel, Ontario, Nathan Tollenaar remembers long days on the farm. One of the most exciting things growing up was being involved in one of the many Grow Projects around his home. “As long as I can remember, my family always had a growing project,” Nathan says.

These Grow Projects, run by thousands of Canadian farmers, all have one goal: **to end the scourge of hunger around the world.** With the support of donors across Canada, farmers donate a portion of the sale of their crops to Tearfund—which are used to help poor farmers around the world grow more food.

So when Nathan’s family moved to Stonewall, Manitoba, he was shocked to learn that there wasn’t already a grow project in the area. So at age 19, he set out to change this.

First, Nathan found Andrew and Nick – two other young men and together they founded the Rock Solid Grow Project in 2016. But there was a problem. They had no land, no seed, or any fertilizer. How could they grow anything? It’s hard to grow crops without land!



So that Christmas they approached their church to help them get started. And on a cold Christmas eve, the members of New Life Baptist Church came together for a special offering. In total they raised **\$8,000** to fund the start-up costs!

Now, six years later, the Grow project has raised over **\$154,000** to help families living in the poorest places on earth lift themselves out of poverty. But these three friends weren't finished yet.

As one of them put it, "we asked ourselves if there were any other ways we could work together to raise more money for the project? What else did God give us that we could use?" Then they took a look.

Alex's family owns a sod company so he set out to donate some sod. Last year a whole 40ft flatbed of sod was donated to help the world's poor. But that was nothing to their next idea.

The three young men then decided to donate cows.

With Tearfund's investment, two heifers were purchased. Over the next 10 years, all Calves born will be sold with the proceeds going to help train farmers in the world's poorest places. Each calf is expected to be sold for \$800 to \$1,600.

Soybeans, Sod, and Calves. The impact that these things will have on the poor all around the world will be extraordinary. [What do you have in your hand?](#)

**To learn more about Grow Projects and how you can become involved**  
*flip this page!*



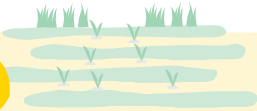


# Kernels Of HOPE

Kernels of Hope is an innovative and exciting program that connects people across Canada with Canadian farmers to help lift families out of poverty around the world. Led by Ray “The Grain Guy” Baloun, and supported by many members of the Evangelical Covenant Church in Canada, the project has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars in support of ending hunger.

## How it works

Step 1



Canadian farmers donate land and time to grow crops

Step 2



Non-farming Canadians help by donating the cost of rent, seed, fertilizer and insurance

Step 3



Crops are sold and proceeds are deposited into Tearfund’s account at the **Foodgrains Bank**. On average, for every \$300 spent on farming inputs, \$500 is generated as profit

Step 4

4:1



Money donated into Foodgrains Bank are matched up to 4:1 in partnership with the **Government of Canada**.

Step 5



Money is sent to support farming projects around the world to help families out of poverty!



After all is said and done, through this unique arrangement your \$300 has the potential to transform into \$2000 worth of live-changing projects!

To learn more about Kernels of Hope and how you can become involved please email [connect@tearfund.ca](mailto:connect@tearfund.ca)



# Leaving a **LEGACY GIFT**

Leaving a gift in your will is a wonderful way to impact the lives of families for years to come. It not only gives you the opportunity to provide for your family and loved ones, but to support the causes you deeply care about.

In Canada, there are several tax-wise options that meet your financial priorities and legacy aspirations—providing benefits to you, your family, and families around the world.

Getting started is easy! If you wish to learn more about legacy options or leaving a gift to your favorite charities in your will, simply **fill and return the form on the back of this page** and one of our lovely staff will be happy to reach out to you.

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

1 Corinthians 2:9



## Yes! I would like to learn more about leaving a legacy in my Will

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you already have a Will?  Yes  No

What would you be interested in learning more about?

- How to set up charitable giving in my will
- More information about Tearfund and how my money could make in impact
- Tax benefits of charitable giving in my Will
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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