



World Villages
for Children

A young girl with dark hair, wearing a dark blue school uniform with a white collar, is smiling broadly at the camera. She is in a classroom, and other students in similar uniforms are visible in the background, some sitting at desks. The background shows educational posters on the wall.

**TRANSFORMING
THE LIVES
OF CHILDREN
IN POVERTY**

**WITH A GIFT
IN YOUR WILL**



ARTURO'S STORY

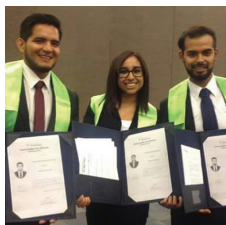
Arturo was born into extreme poverty. At seven, he was labouring in the coffee and sugar fields. But, thanks to someone like you, Arturo got the chance in life he needed.

He joined our school for boys in Mexico, and was fed, cared for and educated. Arturo thrived.

Today, a fully qualified accountant, Arturo is the breadwinner for his whole family – lifting them out of poverty too.

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I shall never have enough words to thank the people who made possible the mission of the Sisters of Mary. I am living proof of how your donation can transform lives.”



Millions of children around the world live in extreme poverty. Hungry, fearful, forced into work and with few opportunities to go to school, their childhoods are wasted. Through no fault of their own, they grow up unable to break free from a devastating cycle of poverty.

These children deserve better.

When you leave a gift in your will to World Villages for Children, you transform the lives of the world's most vulnerable children. You rescue children from poverty, offer them education, care, regular meals, security and a bed of their own. You put them on a new path. You give them, and their families, the opportunities many of us take for granted.

You and I have been blessed with resources the poorest families can barely imagine, and leaving a gift in your will is the most significant way you can support this work.

Every year we help more than 20,000 children. But for every 10 children we see, we can only take one. It's heart-breaking to turn a child away. Future generations of children and their communities depend on the generosity of people like you.

Please, will you leave a gift in your will to World Villages for Children?

Sister Maria Cho

Sister Maria Cho
Chair of Trustees



YOU'LL JOIN OTHER GENEROUS SUPPORTERS



Robert, from north London, has been supporting children in poverty for more than 20 years – and added World Villages for Children as a beneficiary in his will after meeting the Sisters.

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I was struck by the number of children in desperate need, particularly in countries like the Philippines and Tanzania, and I am committed to helping them. Meeting the Sisters, I learnt about the care they provide to thousands of poor children to permanently improve their lives. I am leaving a gift in my will to support even more of these children, and generations of their families, out of poverty and onto a better life.”



NEW SCHOOL FOR TANZANIA

A school for 900 girls has opened in Tanzania, thanks to the vision and generosity of Dr Amanda Webster. A gift in Dr Webster's will funded a significant percentage of the new school, built in Kisarawe district where a quarter of the population lives in extreme poverty. Girls who may have been destined for an early marriage and a life of domestic labour now study subjects like English and physics alongside vocational skills, all under the loving care of our Sisters. For the first time, these girls have hope and ambitions for the future.



THE DIFFERENCE YOU'LL MAKE

YOU'LL RESCUE MORE OF THE WORLD'S MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND PUT THEM ON A DIFFERENT PATH

One in 10 people in the world lives on less than £1.50 a day, and extreme poverty is rising in many places. You'll lift children out of crushing poverty and give them the opportunities they deserve.

YOU'LL TRANSFORM THE LIVES OF CHILDREN THROUGH EDUCATION, NUTRITION AND HEALTH

At our schools, in the Philippines, Mexico, Guatemala, Brazil, Honduras and Tanzania, you'll provide everything children need to thrive. Well fed, and in the care of our Sisters, they'll be ready to learn and achieve their potential.

YOU'LL IMPACT THEIR FAMILIES AND SIBLINGS AS THEY LIFT THEMSELVES OUT OF POVERTY

More than 150,000 children have graduated from our schools. Finding jobs as accountants, teachers, engineers and nurses, they're independent and productive adults who now support their families and wider communities.

YOU'LL ENSURE THE SISTERS ARE AROUND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME

More than 370 Sisters of Mary care for children in our schools with joy, compassion, grace and patience. Their sacrifice and dedication means everything, but they can only do this work with your support.

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

Your family and friends come first, of course, but as you make or update your will, please consider leaving a gift to World Villages for Children.

There are several ways to leave a gift in your will

- **A residuary gift** is the remainder of the estate once other gifts and payments have been made. This is popular because it takes care of your loved ones first and is not devalued by inflation.
- **A pecuniary gift** is a fixed sum which could decrease over time as the cost of living increases.
- **A reversionary gift** allows you to leave assets for the care of a loved one for the duration of their life. When they die, your gift will then go to your chosen beneficiary.

You can direct your gift to the country that means most to you – the Philippines, Mexico, Guatemala, Brazil, Honduras or Tanzania – or you can let us use your gift wherever the need is greatest.

If you don't yet have a will, please use a solicitor to draw one up. Amending your will to include World Villages for Children is very simple. Speak to your solicitor and provide our charity address and registration number:

World Villages for Children
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Charity no: 1058973

FREE WILL-WRITING SERVICE

World Villages for Children is part of the National Free Wills Network – which means supporters like you can access a will-writing service for free.

Contact us directly to take advantage of this offer. We'll refer you to the Free Wills Network office, who'll send you information about your local participating solicitors.

Call 0207 629 3050 or email enquiries@worldvillages.org.uk

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR INTENTIONS

There is no obligation to answer these questions, but anything you share will help us communicate with you in the right way and thank you properly.

☐ I have already remembered World Villages for Children in my will. (Thank you so much!)

Name

☐ I intend to leave a gift to World Villages for Children when I update my will next. (Thank you so much!)

Address

☐ I am considering leaving a legacy gift to World Villages for Children

☐ I would like more information about leaving a gift in my will to World Villages for Children (we will contact you to offer advice)

Phone

☐ I do not intend to leave a gift in my will to World Villages for Children

Email

Please detach this form and return to:

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Please call us on 0207 629 3050 to discuss any other aspect of your interest in our work

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**YOUR LEGACY CAN
CHANGE THE LIVES
OF CHILDREN,
FOREVER**

**THANK YOU
SO MUCH**



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