Thank you for supporting Lutheran World Relief and extending your love to our most forsaken neighbors in the most challenging regions of the world.

By leaving a gift in your will to Lutheran World Relief, you will join Partners in Lasting Promise and extend God’s love to leave a footprint in the future.

At Lutheran World Relief, we envision a future where everyone, everywhere can live full, dignified lives.

Where there is need, we find a way to respond; saving lives in the poorest parts of the world where families are suffering, cut off from basic resources and forgotten.

Through your generosity, we help hungry families grow enough food to nourish themselves and earn a living, and we help the sick access the medicine and care they need to get well. We walk alongside our neighbors in crisis to help them get immediate assistance and prepare for the next unexpected challenge so that families and communities can thrive long into the future.

Estate Planning — your Will or Trust

By thoughtfully planning your estate, you can extend your love to future generations, planting a footprint in the future for those that need it most, including your family and loved ones. Providing for the causes and neighbors that you care about most is Christian stewardship in action.

Those who pass without a will leave their estate to be divided according to the laws of the state where they live. Including individual beneficiaries and your favorite charitable organizations in your will is the best way to ensure that your beliefs are fulfilled and your wishes are carried out.

Estate planning can allow you to protect your assets, decrease your taxes and even increase your current income while supporting the life-saving work of Lutheran World Relief.
Including Lutheran World Relief in your estate plans through a will or trust is a straightforward process and can be achieved simply by including one of the following phrases in your will:

I, [name], of [address], give [%] of my real and personal estate to Lutheran World Relief, EIN 13-2574963. 700 Light Street, Baltimore MD 21230-3850, towards its unrestricted charitable purposes.

I, [name], of [address], give [X%] of the residue of my real and personal estate to Lutheran World Relief, EIN 13-2574963. 700 Light Street, Baltimore MD 21230-3850, towards its unrestricted charitable purposes.

I, [name], of [address], give the sum of $X to Lutheran World Relief, EIN 13-2574963. 700 Light Street, Baltimore MD 21230-3850, towards its unrestricted charitable purposes.

The laws of each state can vary, so we encourage you to seek the advice of a qualified legal professional before finalizing your will or trust.

Lutheran World Relief has partnered with FreeWill (LWR.ORG/FREEWILL) to provide an online resource to assist you in writing a free legal will. This resource includes all the necessary language to assist in sharing your love with those who need it most. It takes just 20 minutes or less, can be used with or without an attorney and is offered to supporters of Lutheran World Relief entirely free to use.

Situations change, so it is prudent to review your will periodically to ensure that it is up-to-date and that your wishes are carried out as you intend.

**Informing Lutheran World Relief**

Since 1945, Lutheran World Relief has relied on its supporters’ generosity to remain at the forefront of effective, transformational global development. Without gifts in wills, this would not have been possible.

Sharing your plans and wishes with Lutheran World Relief provides vital information to assist with our forward planning and impact investment, providing much needed assistance to our neighbors in need, both now and into the future.

In letting us know that you have pledged a share of your estate to Lutheran World Relief, you will become one of our **Partners in Lasting Promise**, the group that have entrusted Lutheran World Relief to carry out their wishes to assist our most forsaken neighbors for generations to come.

Our Partners in Lasting Promise also support Lutheran World Relief in many other ways; they may be quilters or kit makers, Faithful Neighbors or other committed supporters.

We welcome the opportunity to recognize your support and commitment to loving your neighbors in need. In sharing your intentions, you will receive more information about the impact of your gift through communications sent according to your preferences.

**Getting in Touch**

To discuss your estate planning, the projects Lutheran World Relief supports and the impact of previous gifts in wills, please get in touch and share your love, compassion and intentions for future generations.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” Peter 4.10 (NIV)

**In Christ’s service until your love reaches EVERY neighbor.**

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