



## Our vision

A world where all children in need can realise their full potential and create a better life for themselves.

## Our guiding principles

ChildFund New Zealand supports all children regardless of gender, race, creed or nationality. We provide help to children without any discrimination, bias or judgment. We provide focused programmes that lead to long term improvement in children's lives.

## We are child-centred

Our programs are focused on helping children in need, based on Health and Nutrition, Water and Sanitation, Early Childhood Development, Micro-Credit and Education projects.

## We are internationally focused

We are focused on assisting children in those countries facing greater difficulties than New Zealand.

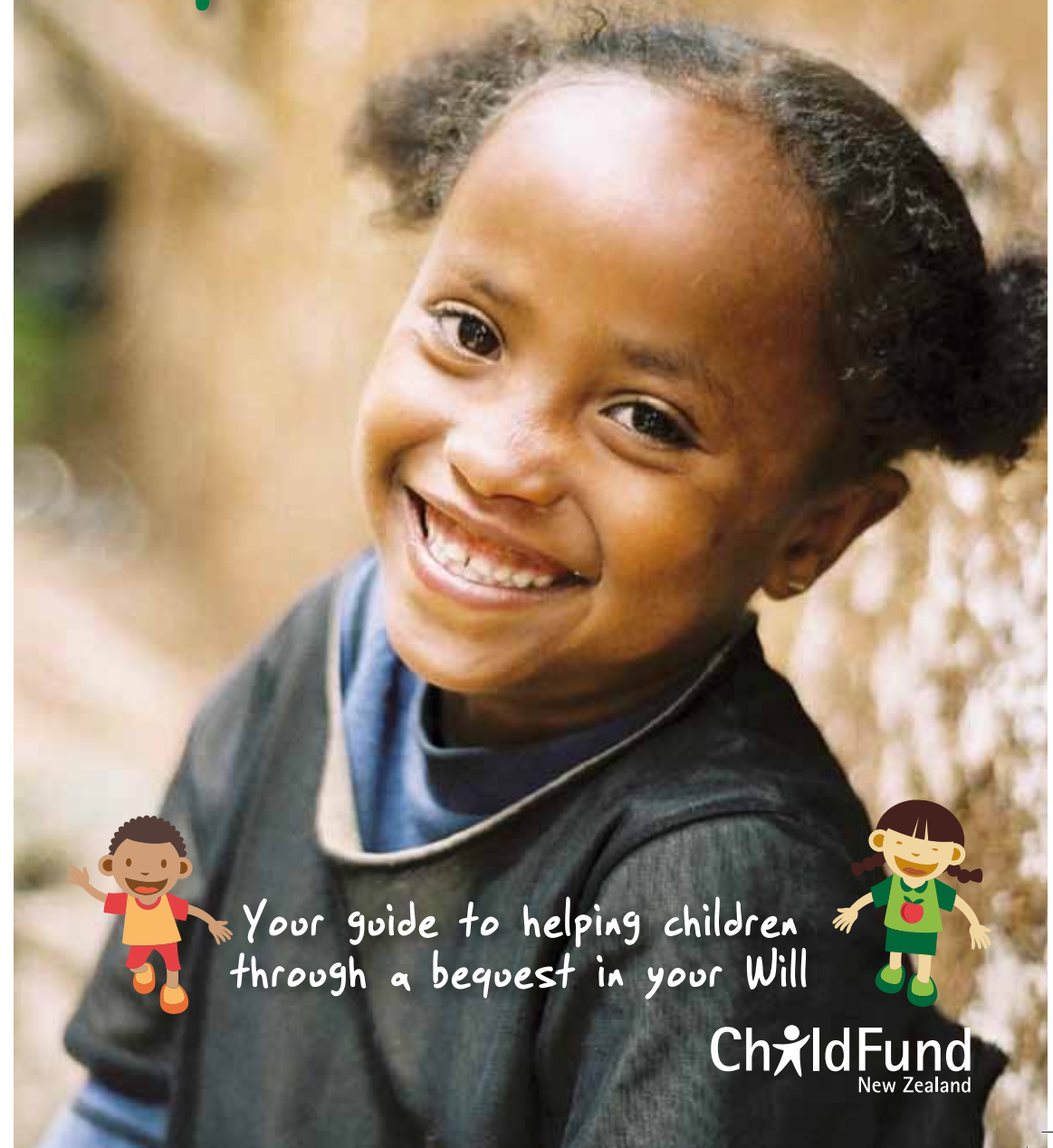
## Our people meet our purpose with passion

Our people are committed to doing what is necessary to make a difference to a child's life. This requires a team of professionals founded on trust, mutual respect, open communication and the courage to try new things.

### ChildFund New Zealand Limited

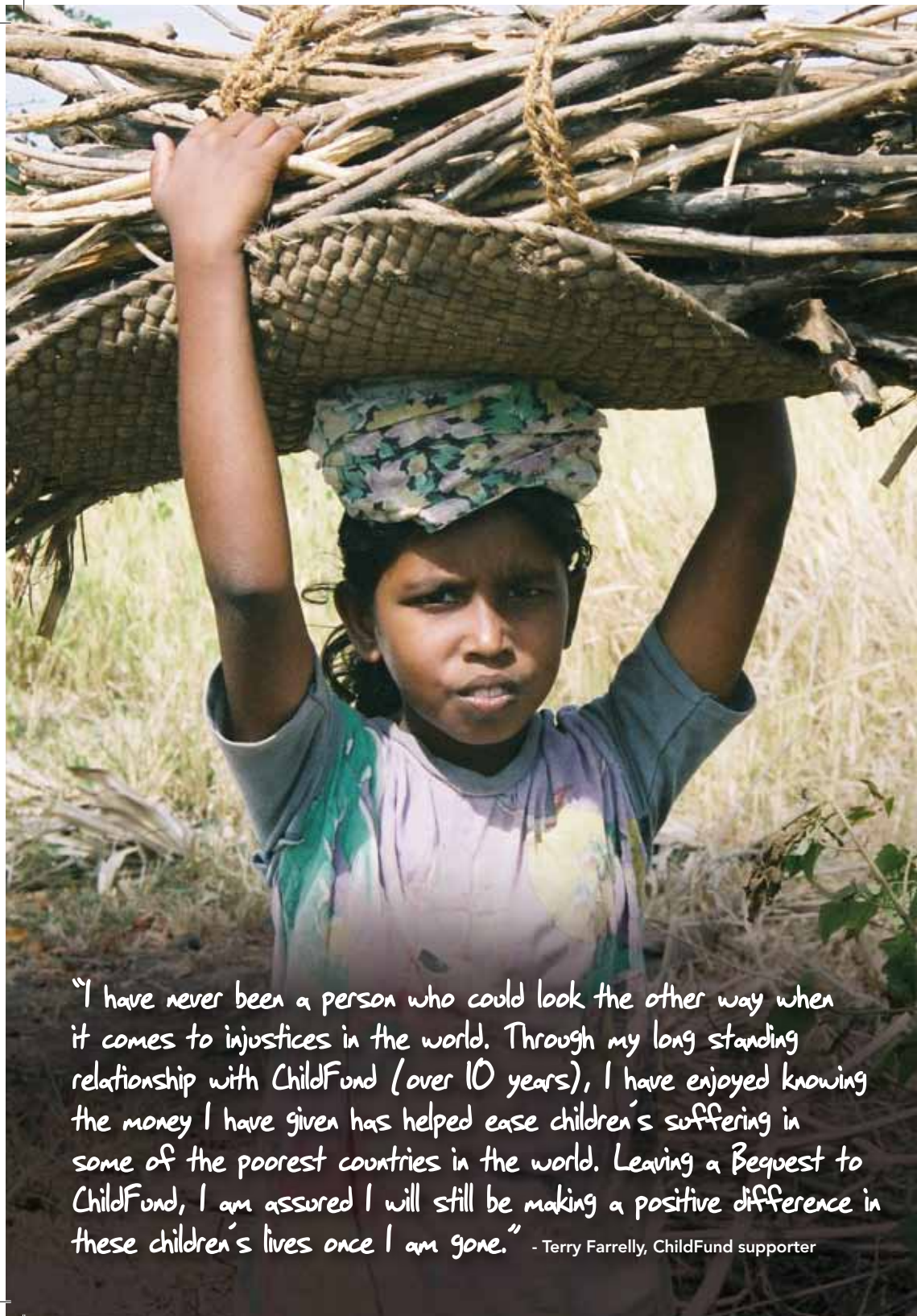
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# Provide lasting hope for children



Your guide to helping children through a bequest in your Will

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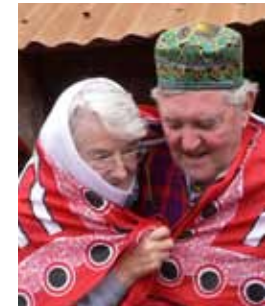


"I have never been a person who could look the other way when it comes to injustices in the world. Through my long standing relationship with ChildFund (over 10 years), I have enjoyed knowing the money I have given has helped ease children's suffering in some of the poorest countries in the world. Leaving a Bequest to ChildFund, I am assured I will still be making a positive difference in these children's lives once I am gone." - Terry Farrelly, ChildFund supporter

## You're invited to use your bequest to keep helping children...

Thank you for everything you do to help the world's poorest children through ChildFund New Zealand.

We are proud to have been part of founding ChildFund New Zealand (or CCF as it was formerly known as) in 1990. ChildFund's work has a special place in our hearts as we trust it does for you too. You must feel a real joy as you see children reach their full potential because of the efforts you have made. The good news is you can continue to give children a better life by choosing to leave a bequest to ChildFund in your Will.



Heather and Tony in Emali, Kenya

This guide takes you through some of the practical issues of preparing a Will and leaving a bequest - though please always seek professional legal advice from your solicitor.

After you have taken care of your family and loved ones in your Will, you can choose to allocate a portion of your estate as a bequest to ChildFund. By choosing this you demonstrate in a practical way your ongoing care and concern to children.

As joint Patrons of the ChildFund Hope Society Heather and I invite you to join us in caring for children in this very special way.

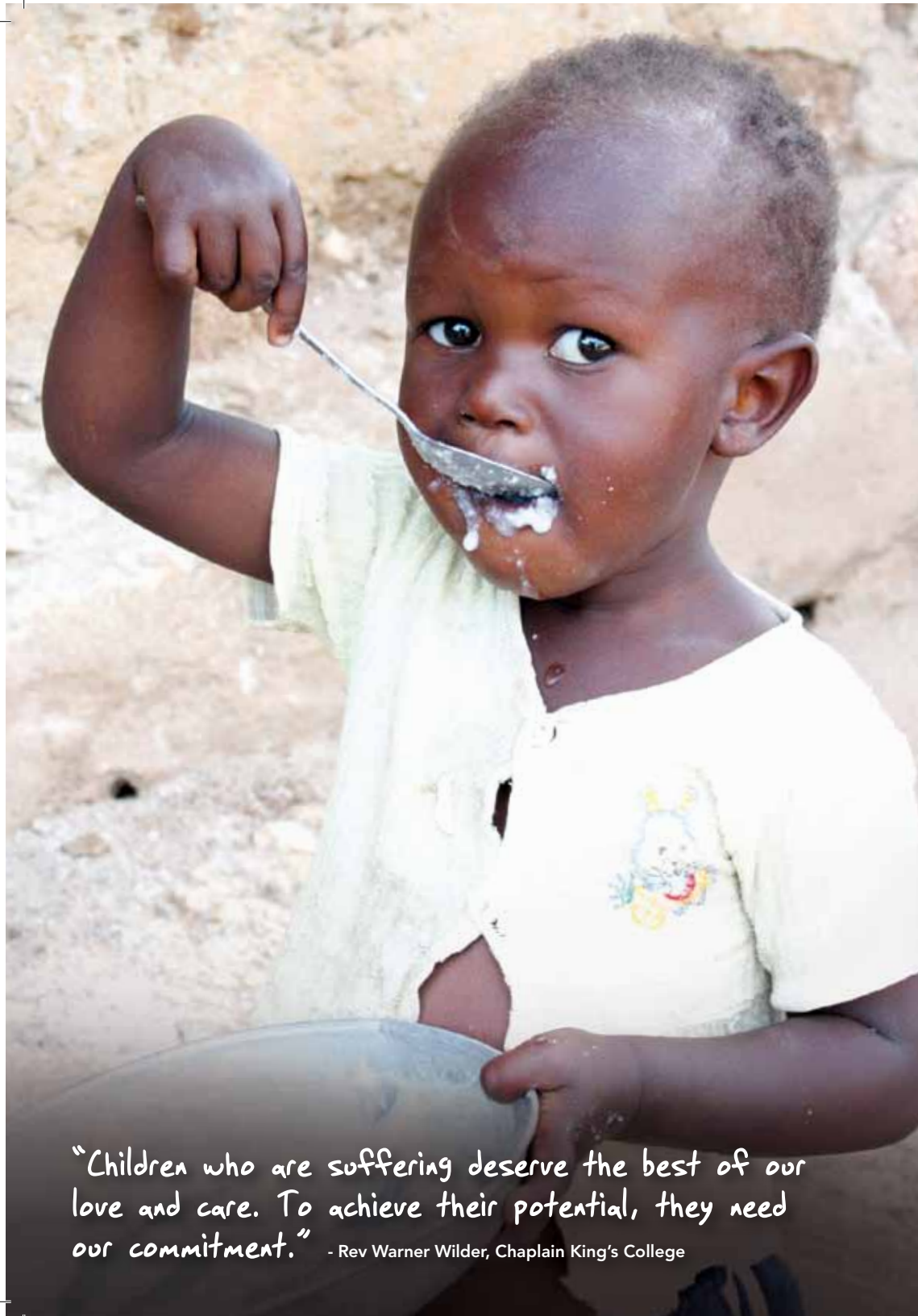
We appreciate that a bequest is a deep and personal gesture. We would like to acknowledge this by welcoming you to the ChildFund Hope Society with an official Certificate and a handsome lapel pin. A tree, symbolising growth and life, will also be planted at the ChildFund project in Emali, Kenya in your honour.

Thank you for sharing ChildFund's commitment to caring for children.

*Anthony Farrow*

*Heather Farrow*

Lord and Lady Farrow, Patrons ChildFund Hope Society



## You give children practical help to achieve their potential in life

When you leave a bequest in your Will to help children through ChildFund New Zealand, we will work hard to make sure your gift helps as many children as effectively as possible.

Any child you are sponsoring will automatically receive on-going ChildFund support so they can realise their potential for a better life. At the same time, the benefits of your bequest will grow by helping other children in desperate need.

Your bequest can provide nutritious food and clean water supplies to make sure children grow up healthy and strong. Medical care can protect children from diseases, and allow them to develop properly. Schools can be built and classrooms fitted-out so children can have the education that equips them to lead their communities toward self-sufficiency.

You can be confident your bequest is used with as much care as you have given it.

ChildFund is fully registered with the Charities Commission, and is accredited by the New Zealand Government (NZAID).

You are welcome to confidentially discuss your bequest options, or raise any questions you may have. Simply contact our ChildFund Hope Society officer on **0800 223 850**.



**IMPORTANT:** Please note that ChildFund New Zealand cannot provide legal advice, and we strongly recommend you seek such advice directly from your solicitor.

*"Children who are suffering deserve the best of our love and care. To achieve their potential, they need our commitment."*

- Rev Warner Wilder, Chaplain King's College



## Supporting those you care about through your Will

Put simply, a Will is a legal document declaring your wishes about the distribution of your property after you die. It is important to make a Will if you have family or other dependents who you wish to be beneficiaries of your property after you die.

You can change, add or cancel your Will any time before your death as long as you are mentally competent to do so. However, you cannot simply cross out provisions and write new ones; you need to contact your solicitor.

Your Will should be revised regularly so that any necessary alterations can be made if your personal or financial circumstances change. For example:

- Marriage or entry into a de facto relationship or civil union
- Separation or dissolution of marriage or civil union
- Having children or grandchildren
- The death of your spouse or partner
- Buying a house
- Receiving an inheritance or acquiring valuable possessions
- Receiving lump sum superannuation payments

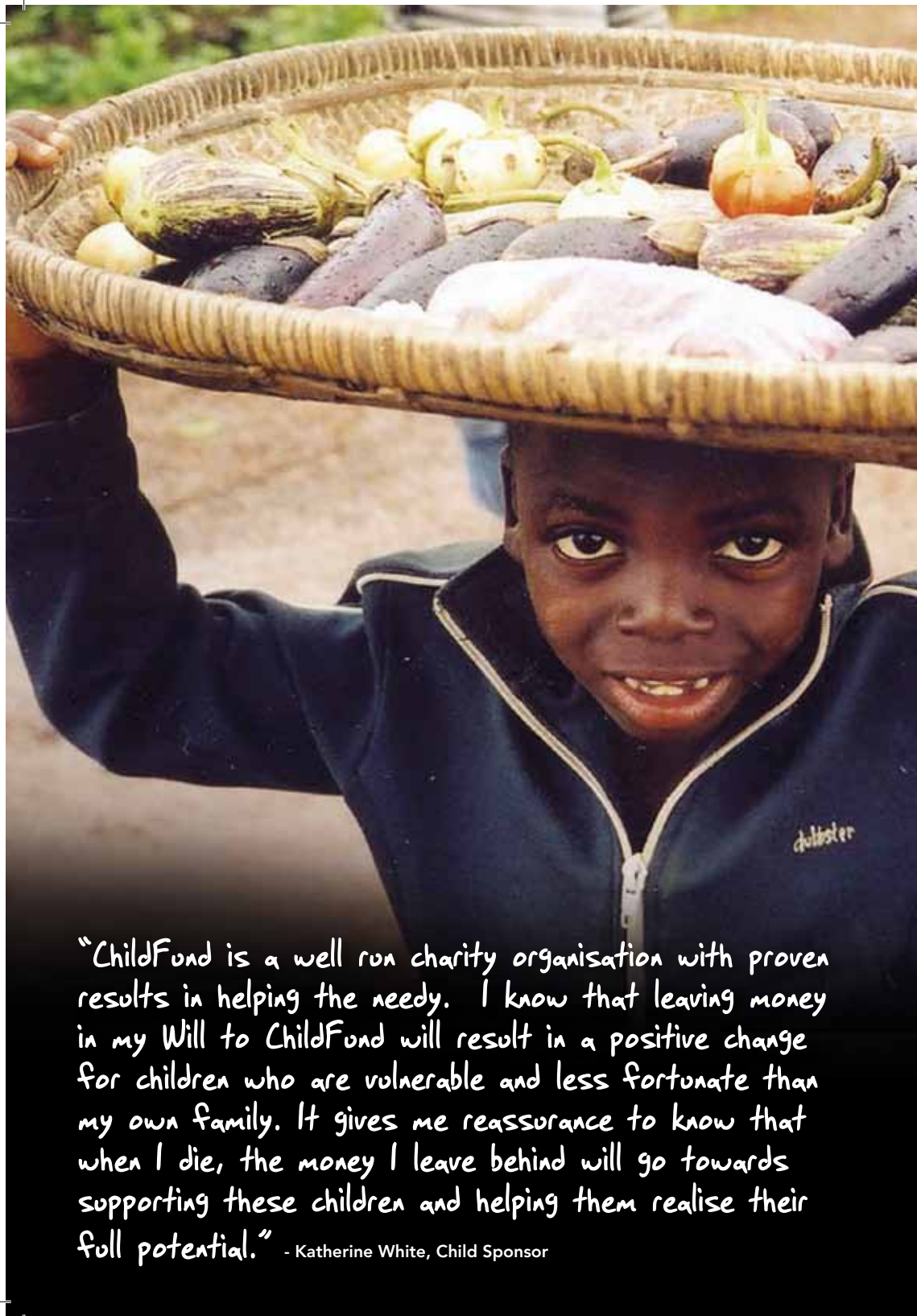
Your Will also gives you the opportunity to leave a bequest to continue your support of causes and organisations you hold important. In fact, a bequest may be the largest donation you are able to give in your life.



Whatever bequest you decide to give, it's a deeply significant way to give witness to the values that have guided you through your life.



*"Do not think that love, in order to be genuine, has to be extraordinary. What we need to do is love without getting tired."* - Mother Teresa (1910 - 1997)



"ChildFund is a well run charity organisation with proven results in helping the needy. I know that leaving money in my Will to ChildFund will result in a positive change for children who are vulnerable and less fortunate than my own family. It gives me reassurance to know that when I die, the money I leave behind will go towards supporting these children and helping them realise their full potential." - Katherine White, Child Sponsor

## People who can help as you express your life wishes



### Legal Adviser

ChildFund New Zealand recommends you seek legal advice from a solicitor or a trustee company to prepare your Will. Your adviser will ensure:

- Your Will is properly drafted, signed and witnessed
- Your wishes are clearly expressed in the Will
- You are advised regarding adequate provision for your spouse and children, or for any former spouse or any dependents
- You choose an appropriate Executor or Executors
- Your Will is kept in a safe place.

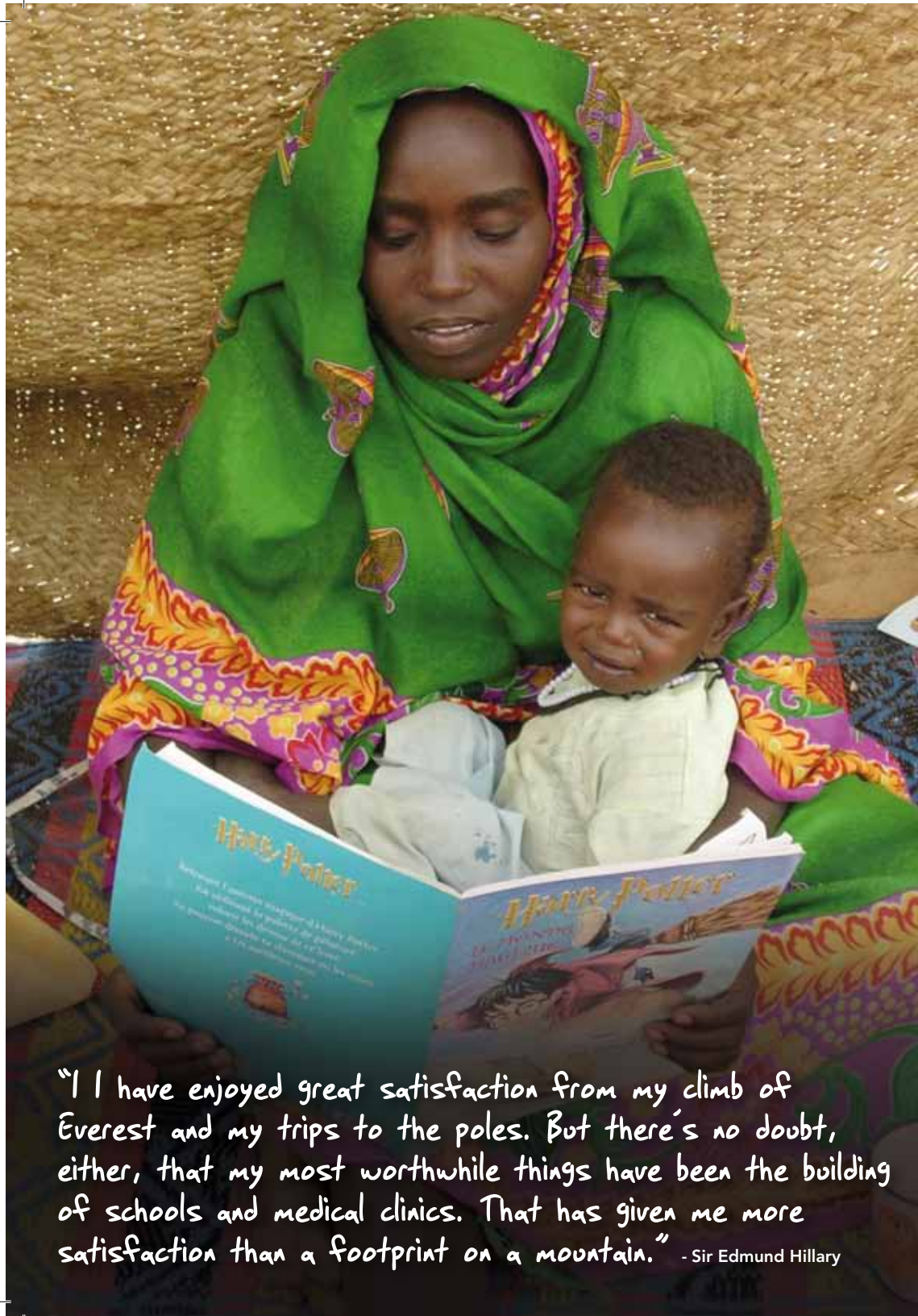
### An Executor

An Executor is a person you appoint to carry out the terms of your Will after you die. Anyone can be one of your Executors – your spouse, relative, friend or solicitor. However you should confirm they are happy with this before appointing them.

A professional Executor, such as a solicitor, trustee, company or accountant, may require payment for their time in administering your estate and this will need to be recorded in your Will.

### Your ChildFund Hope Society Officer

While ChildFund cannot offer you legal advice, we can show you how to continue caring for the world's neediest children through a bequest. Simply contact our ChildFund Hope Society officer on **0800 223 850**.



"I have enjoyed great satisfaction from my climb of Everest and my trips to the poles. But there's no doubt, either, that my most worthwhile things have been the building of schools and medical clinics. That has given me more satisfaction than a footprint on a mountain." - Sir Edmund Hillary

## Preparing to give the gift of your lifetime



Before you see your solicitor or other legal adviser to prepare your Will, it is important you think about and prepare answers to the following possible questions.

### Who do you want to be the Executor of your Will?

You can have one or more Executors. The Executor must consent to the appointment and you must include their name in your Will.

### Who do you want to be the guardian of your children?

The guardian is the person that you nominate to care for your children after you die. However, the nomination of a guardian in your Will is not legally binding and the ultimate decision will depend on what is in the best interest of your children.

### To whom do you want to give property and other assets?

You need to know the names and addresses of the beneficiaries and the amount of each asset you wish to bequeath to them.

### Do you own a business?

Provide details of your business, and what you want to happen to it.

### Would you like to leave a lasting gift to charity?

Specify how much you would like to give, and provide name and address details.

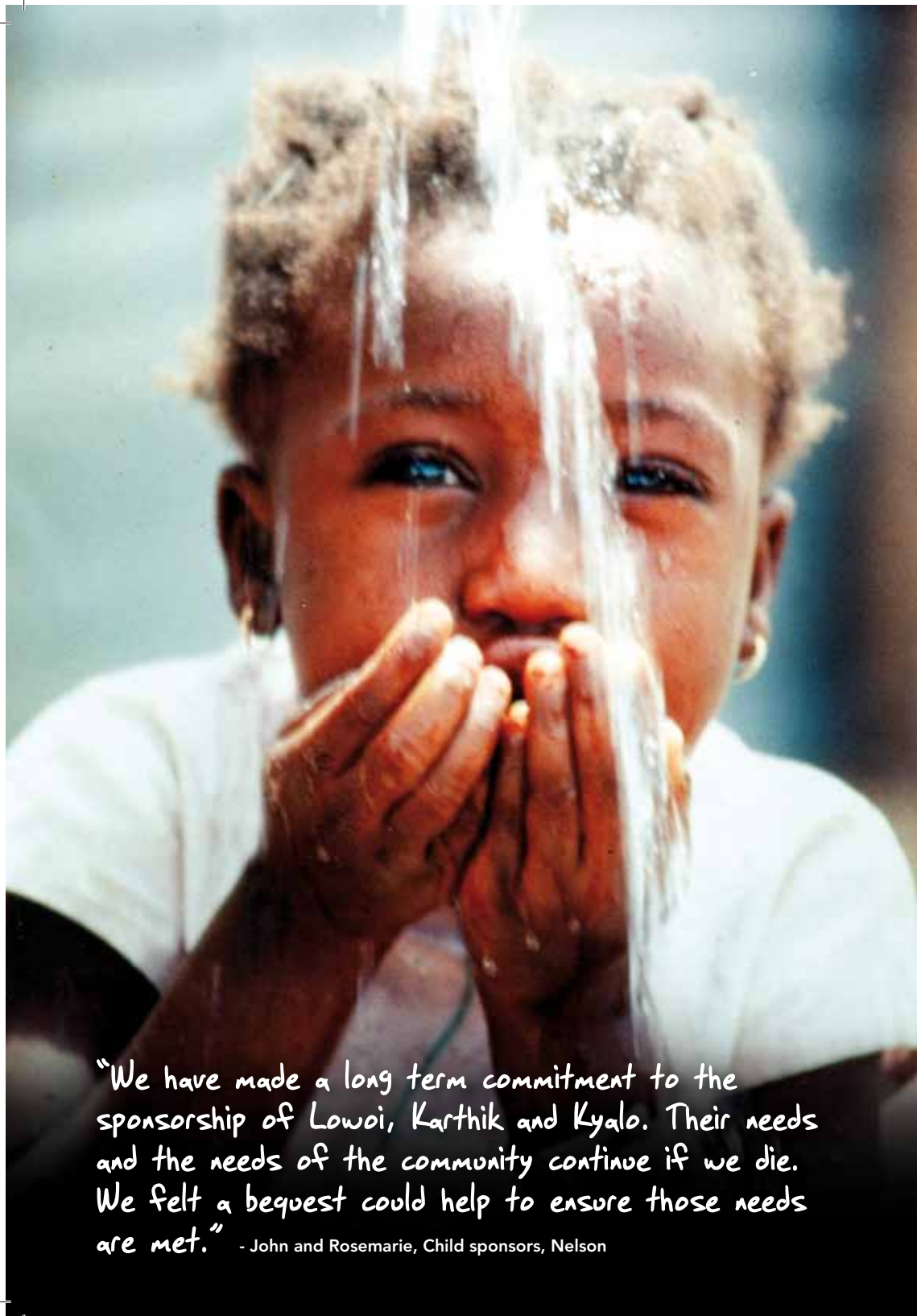
### Do you want to keep helping needy children build a better life?

Your bequest can provide clean water, healthy food and a proper education to help children reach their potential. Simply contact the ChildFund Hope Society officer on 0800 223 850.

### Are you a ChildFund child sponsor, and wish to maintain your care?

If a sponsor passes away, ChildFund will continue to support the child until a new sponsor is found. ChildFund discourages people from leaving money directly to their sponsored child or family, as it can cause problems within that child's community. Also while the child continues to receive the benefits of child sponsorship, they no longer have the important link with their sponsor. A general gift to ChildFund while we recruit a new sponsor may be more beneficial. This means that we can spend the money wherever the need is greatest anywhere in the world.





*"We have made a long term commitment to the sponsorship of Lowoi, Karthik and Kyalo. Their needs and the needs of the community continue if we die. We felt a bequest could help to ensure those needs are met."* - John and Rosemarie, Child sponsors, Nelson

## Choose the bequest you prefer to give children hope in life



There are a number of ways you can allocate your bequest to keep helping children through ChildFund. A bequest may be part or all of your estate. The following wordings are a guide only, and you should consult a solicitor on the wording used in your Will.

### 1. The residue of your estate

The remainder of your estate after all debts have been paid and assets or amounts to beneficiaries distributed.

**I give the residue of my estate to ChildFund New Zealand Limited, Level 6, 17 Albert Street, PO Box 105630, Auckland City, Auckland 1143 for its general purposes and declare that the receipt of an officer of ChildFund New Zealand Limited shall be full and sufficient discharge to my Executor for all moneys paid under this gift and my trustee shall not be bound to see the application of this gift.**

### 2. A percentage of your estate

Any amount you choose up to 100 per cent. You can share your estate among several people or organisations without specifying property or amounts. It is not affected by inflation.

**I give, \_\_\_\_\_ per cent of the residue of my estate, to ChildFund New Zealand Limited, Level 6, 17 Albert Street, PO Box 105630, Auckland City, Auckland 1143 for its general purposes and declare that the receipt of an officer of ChildFund New Zealand Limited shall be full and sufficient discharge to my Executor for all moneys paid under this gift and my trustee shall not be bound to see the application of this gift.**

### 3. A specific bequest

A specific sum of money, property, stocks and shares or anything of value you choose to bequeath. This should be reviewed on a regular basis because it does not allow for changes in your estate or inflation. Suggested wording: **I give, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to ChildFund New Zealand Limited, Level 6, 17 Albert Street, PO Box 105630, Auckland City, Auckland 1143 for its general purposes and declare that the receipt of the officer of ChildFund New Zealand Limited at the time shall be full and sufficient discharge to my Executor for all moneys paid under this gift and my trustee shall not be bound to see the application of this gift.**



"Education is important. It can help you contribute to the community and be respected. With the help I have received, I see a future that is positive and bright."

- Eufrasia, age 15, Timor Leste

## Make sure your loved ones understand your wishes

You will make arrangements simpler and smoother for your Executor, family and friends if you record your wishes and personal details in the event of your death. Use this checklist to check all your arrangements are properly prepared.

### [ ] People to be notified about your passing

List their name, address, postcode, contact phone numbers, email address and their relationship with you. You may include:

- Relatives
- Friends
- Employers and business associates
- Your bank manager
- Your Superannuation Fund / Kiwi Saver
- Clubs or professional associations
- Insurance companies



### [ ] Key contact people

Record the name and contact details of key people such as your next-of-kin, solicitor, and doctor, the Executor of your Will and any guardians of your children appointed by your Will.

### [ ] Preferred funeral arrangements

Including the place of burial.

### [ ] Assets and liabilities

Including property type, value and names of owners. Details of any mortgages, loans or debts.

### [ ] Bank accounts & Superannuation fund

Including bank address, account numbers and Superannuation member number.

