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Churches Newsletter



Dear Friends,

Welcome to your September edition of the Tearfund churches newsletter! As the autumn term begins, it's an exciting time to look ahead at how your congregation can put faith into action in the months ahead.

In this edition, you'll find everything you need to inspire your church this season, from our 2026 Harvest Resource, to prayer slides for smallholder farmers, alongside details on hosting this year's Big Quiz Night.

Read on to discover how your church can show love through action this season, equipping people to take control of their own lives and move beyond everyday survival to build a better future.



Harvest Resource 2026

Include Tearfund in your Harvest service! Share Pastor John's story to show your love through action, equipping communities in Uganda to take control of their lives and end hunger.

The Big Quiz Night is around the corner!

The countdown is on! On Saturday 14 November, churches up and down the UK will be buzzing with laughter and friendly competition, all for a great cause.

Last year, over 700 churches raised more than £160,000 together to help people living in extreme poverty. This year, your church can be part of the fun, while helping transform lives and communities. Will you host a Tearfund Big Quiz Night?

Where love leads

Recently at Tearfund, we have been reflecting on why we exist. We are called to live and love as Jesus did, to go to the hardest places, stand with the most vulnerable, and refuse to accept lives being destroyed by extreme poverty.

This means turning faith into acts of love and delivering practical, life-changing support where it's needed most.

And that's exactly what your church is doing by supporting Tearfund. By following where love leads, together, your church is helping people recover from crisis, rebuild what was broken, and regain their dignity.

This is where love leads us: not just to respond to poverty, but to help end it. Find out more in our new one-minute film below.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&utm_source=england_date&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=church_rep_email&tf_source=143435&mc_cid=2f014737f5&mc_eid=d903bd5b0a&v=a8Dj_XztAb8&feature=youtu.be

Equip your church this autumn and winter



Will you pray for smallholder farmers this Harvest Sunday?

Did you know that smallholder farmers contribute a third of the world's food, yet are some of the most exposed communities to climate shocks and food insecurity? This Harvest, we're walking the farm with three amazing farmers – Afroza, Beli and Zainab – and responding in prayer and action to restore fairness to our food systems.

We'd love your church to join this journey by praying for smallholder farmers on Harvest Sunday. We've written a Harvest prayer and created slides that you can download and use at your Harvest service.

[Download Harvest prayer slides here](#)

Christmas resources

Christmas is coming! Our latest church resource is currently being prepared. More details will be heading to your inbox very soon – so keep an eye out!

We love it when you call

Your feedback, thoughts and suggestions help guide and shape the resources we provide you. Please email our friendly Churches Team at churches@tearfund.org or call us on 020 3906 3366.

Thank you for going where love leads

Thank you again for your faithful support, prayers and generosity. We are called to live and love as Jesus did, to go to the hardest places, stand with the most vulnerable, and refuse to accept lives being destroyed by extreme poverty.

Thank you for following Jesus where love leads.

With every blessing

Buddy Owen

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