Resource guide: some suggestions for your service

Poverty is not God’s plan. Together, as the church, we can make a difference in the lives of people all around the world.

We are so grateful that you have chosen to share some of our Lent Appeal resources with your church. These could be used in your main service or in small groups – or in any combination that suits your needs and your congregation best.

Along with the pre-prepared social media ads for you to use on your church’s channels, here is a brief outline of the resources that you could use within your meetings (each of the resources mentioned can be downloaded for free at tearfund.org/churchlent):

**Praying together to beat poverty (up to 10 minutes)**
A small prayer guide with three ways to pray, inspired by Leonille’s story. This could be used in your service or printed out and given to people to take home.

You could also just pick one prayer option which is most suited to your service. For example, the first option will probably work well for a small group setting. The second option is quite good for a family service. The third option is a simple prayer which could be prayed corporately.

**Leonille’s film (3 minutes)**
A short film introducing your congregation to Leonille in Rwanda. As she tells her story, you’ll get to see the impact of the kind of work that your church’s giving could help make possible.

**Take up an offering**
A gift from your congregation this Lent will help transform the lives of people like Leonille all around the world.

You can find out how to make a church donation at tearfund.org/churchgiving

**Story slides (10 minutes)**
An introduction to Rwanda, Leonille and the self-help group she’s part of through our local church partner.

**Lent prayer bookmark**
A small reminder to continue to pray with us for people living in poverty all around the world.