



Leaving a legacy in your will?

Dal Bahadur Pariyar, a man whose eyes, face, hands and feet are disabled or affected by leprosy, Lamatarra leprosy community, Nepal

For the first time in centuries, an end to leprosy is within sight but we are not there yet. Any gift that you leave in your will to St Francis Leprosy Guild will make a big difference to people affected by leprosy.

Your legacy will prevent life-changing disabilities from developing and restore hope and dignity to the world's poorest and most marginalised people: people affected by leprosy.

Why choose to help people with leprosy



A woman Isolated by leprosy, Lamatara, Nepal

Leprosy is one of the most feared diseases in the world. Despite a cure being readily available, thousands of people are diagnosed with the disease every year. Thousands more remain undiagnosed, untreated and at risk of spreading the disease within their communities and even developing life-changing disabilities.

Leprosy can affect anyone at any age, but it is a disease linked to poverty. People with depleted

immune systems, poor nutrition, water, sanitation and hygiene, are more likely to catch it. It is not highly contagious, but it may be spread by airborne droplets and prolonged contact with infected individuals.

Leprosy is also one of the most stigmatised diseases in the world. People with leprosy are often cast out of their families or communities and left to beg on the streets for their very survival.

What effect will my legacy have?

Helena Elliott wrote her will in 2012 and passed away on 7 March 2019. In her will she left specific gifts of money to fifteen friends and her family and the rest of her estate, she divided between her six favourite charities, including St Francis Leprosy Guild.

Each charity received an incredible £84,000. This was more than Helena had ever hoped to give, and happened because inheritance tax was not deducted on the amount left to the charities.

For us, it means that for the next eight years, we can fund the hospital boat in Labrea, Brazil to detect people with leprosy early. In 2020 alone, Dr Tony and her medical team there diagnosed and treated, 5,646 people with leprosy. 52 of this number were children, so this proactive approach has saved numerous lives from disability, stigma and the risk of others catching leprosy.



Hospital boat, Labrea, tributary of the Amazon, Brazil

A gift in your will can give us the tools to beat leprosy for once and for all.



We call our operating strategy TRACE, which stands for **T**rainning, **R**esearch, **A**ctive Case-Finding, **C**are and **E**mergency Response.

Training We train and equip outreach workers and volunteers with the skills needed to diagnose and treat leprosy. We support education and awareness raising activities in local communities and to encourage people to seek medical care at the first signs of leprosy.

Research We invest in vital research that could improve leprosy diagnosis and treatment. We are harnessing smartphone technology

(Read about Kedouse Yousef's TRACE research grant, over.)

Active Case-Finding To see an end to leprosy we must find it wherever it exists. Through ACF projects in remote and poor communities, people with symptoms can be identified and treated before disabilities occur, and their contacts can receive medication to stop the disease from spreading.

Care We build upon our 126-year legacy of providing care, compassion, and practical support to those who suffer from the severe disabilities and stigma caused by leprosy. We fund reconstructive surgery, education in self-care, assistive devices, vocational training and help restore dignity and independence.

Emergency Response People affected by leprosy are some of the poorest and most marginalised in the world and hugely vulnerable to emergencies such as pandemics and natural disasters. When the world's most vulnerable people need our support, we are determined to give it.

With a TRACE research grant, student, and social worker, Kedouse Yousef is collecting data from leprosy-affected families and social workers. His research will identify gaps in social work services and explore the

experiences of people living with leprosy, together with their families. Kedouse will develop practice guidelines for social workers and care givers of people with leprosy.



Kedouse Yousef, a social worker, supporting a man with leprosy disability working at a leprosy community in Jimma, Ethiopia.



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Make your will for free?

Leaving a gift in your will is a very special way to support the Guild's work until the fight against leprosy is finally won. Gifts of any size are greatly appreciated and make a big difference to our future work.

Now you can make or update your will for free. St Francis Leprosy Guild has partnered with Your Legacy Solutions, to give supporters the opportunity to leave a gift by making or changing a will with the help of a specialist advisor.

Your Legacy Solutions has highly specialised expertise in the areas of:

1. Trusts which can provide protection of assets such as family homes, savings and investments.
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3. Living Wills giving you the right to provide advance direction in relation to medical and health-care decisions.
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Make your Will for free today

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Thank you! When leprosy is defeated once and for all, you will know that you played your part.

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