Bringing hope to a hungry world

Mary’s Meals sets up school feeding programmes in some of the world’s poorest communities where poverty and hunger prevent children from gaining an education.

Little acts of love

Mary’s Meals was born in 2002, when our founder, Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, visited Malawi during a famine and met a mother named Emma, who was dying from AIDS. When he asked her eldest son, Edward, what his dreams were in life, he replied simply...

“I want to have enough food to eat and to go to school one day.”

These words from Edward ignited our mission – and from humble beginnings feeding just 200 children at a school in Malawi, we now reach more than one million children across 18 countries every school day.

It is thanks to the efforts of supporters around the world that we are able to keep our promise to these children, who today sit inside a classroom with full stomachs, gaining the education that could be their path to a brighter future.

Most of our work is done by an army of volunteers, who carry out lots of little acts of love on behalf of Mary’s Meals.

Our work is named after Mary, the mother of Jesus, who brought up her own child in poverty. We consist of, respect, and reach out to people of all faiths and none.

With 64 million children still out of school and many more chronically hungry, our work is only just beginning.

We are committed to keeping our running costs low. From every $1, we spend at least 93 cents on our charitable activities.

Each meal, served in a place of education, costs just 10 cents.

“If you cannot feed a hundred people, then feed just one.”

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Ways to donate

Online: www.marysmealsusa.org

By mail: Please send any checks or money orders, made payable to: “Mary’s Meals USA”, to Mary’s Meals, 75 Orchard Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003, USA.

By phone: 800-385-4983.

Thank you for your support.
Our vision
Our vision is that every child receives one daily meal in their place of education, and that all those who have more than they need, share with those who lack even the most basic things.

Get in touch
Email: info.usa@marysmeals.org
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Thank you for your promises.

It costs just $19.50 to feed a child for a whole school year.

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