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This past month we have heard disheartening stories from Haiti, Kenya, and other countries, about natural disasters, conflict, and hunger. It can feel sometimes that the world's problems are just too many and we cannot make a difference from our little corner. But, at World Vision, we are making a [real impact](#) and your church family can be part of making that impact!

Want to learn more about connecting to the global need, let's [connect!](#)

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*"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and will be repaid in full."
Prov. 19:17*



END the Cycle

You know our name. And our mission. For decades, World Vision has worked tirelessly to balance the scales. But that's the problem: decades.

We are tackling some of the world's biggest challenges - unclean water, broken healthcare, child violence, perilous futures, and economic insecurity. Our aim is to change the lives of millions of children. For good.

Join a community of Canadians who are reimagining a world where every child is safe and not only dreams of a brighter future, but has one.

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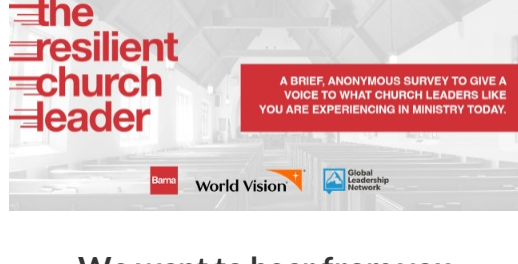
Celebrating with ECCC and the First CHOSEN in BC!

We kicked off our first [CHOSEN](#) in BC with the Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada (ECCC) through Emmanuel Covenant Church in Surry supporting a new Area Program (AP) in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Karawa. ECCc has been bringing the Gospel to the community of Karawa for 100 years, so to be able to launch CHOSEN in this AP in Canada was very exciting.

World Vision is pleased to partner with the [Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada](#) (ECCC) denomination. Our Church Engagement team recently attended the ECCc's AGM events at locations across Canada to answer questions about their new initiative - ['Covenant Kids Congo'](#) - powered by World Vision.

The ECCc supports sustainable development that leads to holistic transformation for the children and families of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) through 'Celebrate Sundays' and fundraising efforts such as the World Vision 'Global 6K for Water' walk/run.

Thank you to everyone at ECCc for all of your fundraising efforts! We appreciate you and all you are doing to support boys and girls to experience *life in all its fullness*.



We want to hear from you. Please participate in the Resilient Church Leader Survey!

World Vision Canada and Barna Group are partnering on an important and ambitious global research project concerning church leaders. We want to hear from you about your experiences as a church leader in Canada in your community. If you are any kind of church leader (part-time, full-time, or volunteer), we invite you to complete a survey so that we can better understand your perspectives, experiences, challenges, and stories.

We would be honored to learn from you and sincerely appreciate the time you may take to participate. It is a brief, anonymous survey that will take 15 - 20 minutes to complete.

As a result of this survey, we will be creating a Canadian Resilient Pastor report that will be made available to you in the future.

[TAKE THE SURVEY](#)



Bowed But Not Broken: How a Young Boy in the DRC Survived with the Help of World Vision

In the Democratic Republic of Congo, child malnutrition has been a reality for at least two decades, caused by a combination of conflict and climate-change-driven drought. More than two out of five of the DRC's children—about 2 million—suffer from chronic malnutrition. Among them is 13-year-old Josaphat, who has lost two younger sisters to hunger and malnutrition.

"While my brother and my three sisters were sick [with malnutrition], our mother noticed a change in their health. Their feet were swelling and they were losing weight from day to day," explains Josaphat. "At this point, our mother was unable to feed us."

However, a community volunteer noted the family's situation and World Vision responded. Treatment for malnutrition was started but it was too late for two of Josaphat's sisters who died within a week of each other.

A nutrition program, called ['Positive Deviance/Hearth'](#), provides daily supplements, protein-rich meals and education about critical nutrition skills, such as how to prepare nutritious meals. A take-home package includes milk, sugar, corn and soy flour.

"Since our mother learned how to prepare food with the help of World Vision, there is now a big change in the way we eat," says Josaphat. "She knows how to prepare well with the little money she has. If our mother had learned to prepare food well before and with all the knowledge she acquired, my two sisters would not have died."

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

May 17-20: WVC Offices closed for the Victoria Day long weekend

Jun 4-5: [ARC Conference, Calgary, AB](#)

Aug 8-9: [GLN Global Leadership Summit](#)



PRAY WITH US

From Chris Schroeder, National Manager of Church Engagement:

El Roi ... the God who sees you. A recent chapel speaker reminded us about the story of Hagar and how God did not forget about her in her misery. She called God, 'El Roi', because He saw her.

God sees you and I even when we don't feel seen; when our work seems to go unnoticed or unappreciated. God also sees the little ones in need.

Please join me in praying for Brazil, Haiti, Kenya, the Ukraine, the Middle East, and Somalia ... for the vulnerable boys and girls who are experiencing anxiety, hunger and displacement.

P.S. We want to pray for you! Please [TEXT](#) or [EMAIL US](#) your personal prayer requests and the Church Team will pray specifically for you.



Many blessings, Chris Schroeder
Your World Vision Church Advisor

If you have any questions or would like to connect with me directly, please [email](#) or book a virtual coffee on my [calendar](#).