



## Telling our story

We are incredibly grateful to the volunteers who choose to share our story with groups in their area.

These groups could be school classes, Rotary clubs, church guilds, Scouts and Guides, or workforces. The aim of these presentations is to inspire and motivate more people to support our mission, generating much-needed funds, as well as donations of time, skills and prayer.

We have created PowerPoint presentations to help you tell the Mary's Meals story. They are available in three lengths (estimated to last 30 minutes, 20 minutes, and 10 minutes), with some interchangeable additional slides on specific groups and topics.

We have also created 'scripts' to help guide your talk which are contained in the notes section of the PowerPoint presentations and as a separate document, which can be used if you are providing a talk without a presentation. Please don't feel you have to recite these word-for-word, it is important that your presentation is natural and focuses on the elements of our story that matter to you.

We know that giving a presentation can often be daunting and we are incredibly grateful to you for helping to spread the word about Mary's Meals. There is some advice below, and please don't hesitate to get in touch with your supporter engagement officer if you have any further questions.

## Top tips

### Before your talk, make sure you confirm:

- The location
- Who the talk is for (age range, number of attendees)
- The length of talk required
- Whether the group has any previous knowledge of Mary's Meals
- The format of the event (e.g. is there a tea break? Would they like a Q&A at the end?)
- What technology is available and what you might need to bring – e.g. a projector, laptop, extension cables, speakers

### Don't forget to take:

- Your speaking notes
- Any props you need for your talk (e.g. a filled backpack, a Mary's Meals feeding mug)
- Any technology you might need
- A watch to time your talk
- Your Mary's Meals t-shirt (if appropriate)
- Gift Aid forms

### After your talk, make sure you:

- Bank any donations / send in any cheques
- Thank the host for inviting you
- Let us know how you got on!

**We hope you enjoy sharing the Mary's Meals story!**