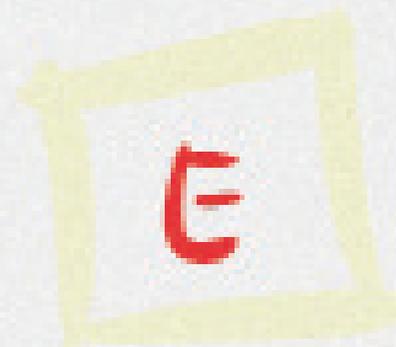
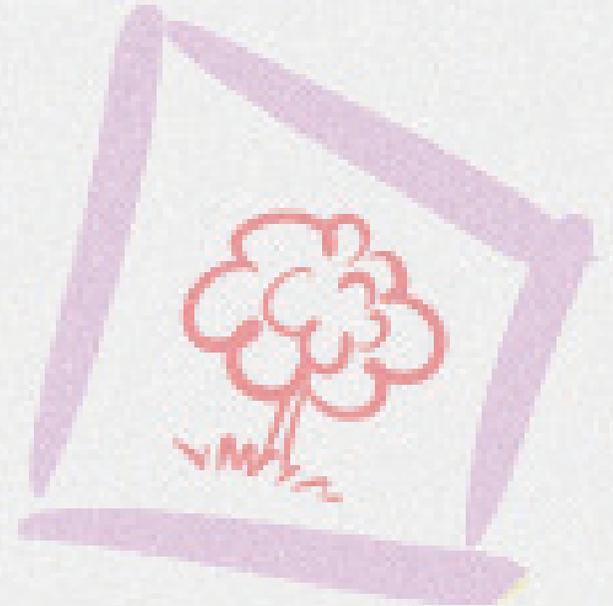
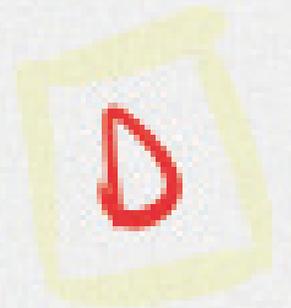
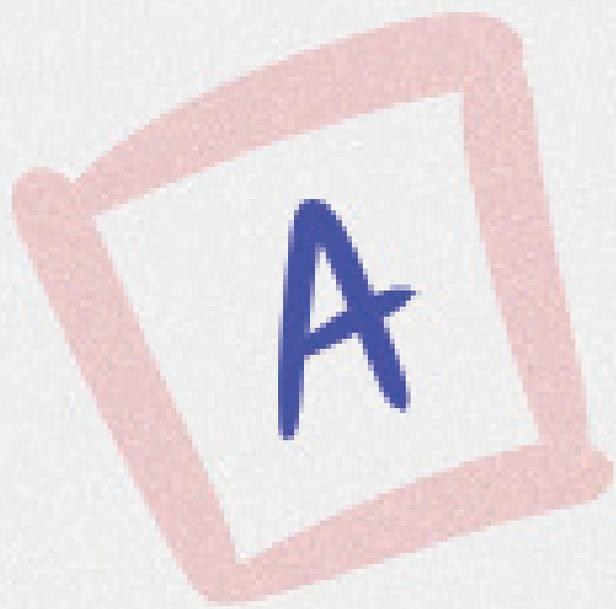
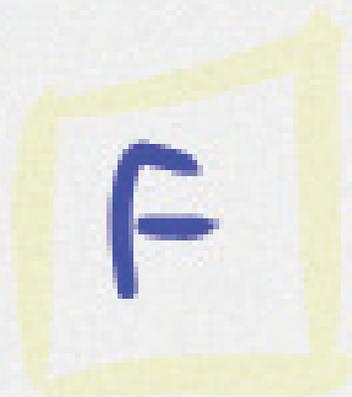
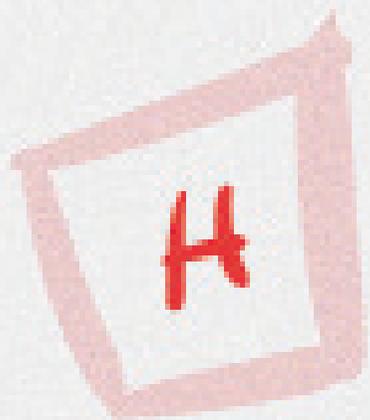


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“Humanity owes the child the best it has to give.”

Eglantyne Jebb





Within the turmoil and darkness of World War I, Eglantyne was saddened by all the consequences war was having on children. Growing up, she had the firm belief that a child is a child, whether red, white, brown or black. For her, it was simple: all wars are waged against children.



Eglantyne could not stand the suffering she was seeing as children endured the consequences of war, poverty, neglect and hate. Children were dying from hunger and lack of basic health care. Children were dying from open wounds and loss of parents. Children were denied access to learning.



Eglantyne could not stand the suffering and decided to take action. She set out to mobilize the public. "Every cent counts!" she called out to save children dying from hunger. "Children are dying from these wars!" she pleaded. "There will always be wars, and children will be affected," the Businessmen replied.



She set out to mobilize the decision makers. "Every voice counts!" she called out to save children from being abused. "Children are being abused, burned in these wars!" "There will always be injustice, and children will be affected," the Politicians replied.



She set out to mobilize the global institutions. “Every decision counts” she called out to save children from being denied opportunities to learn and play. “Children are missing out on learning in these wars!” “There will always be those who are more and less privileged, and children will be affected,” the Powerful replied.



“Well, I must do something. We must do something. Humanity owes the best it has to give to children.”





One day, she stood in a public place and handed out leaflets that showed children in suffering. The passersby turned away from the disturbing flyer, but Eglantyne was determined not to let people ignore what she believed was a violation of these children's human rights.



Her passion that day led to her being arrested, and she was found guilty and fined for her protest.





But the judge was so impressed with Eglantyne's commitment to children that he paid her fine. His money became the first donation towards Eglantyne's new mission: to save the children.



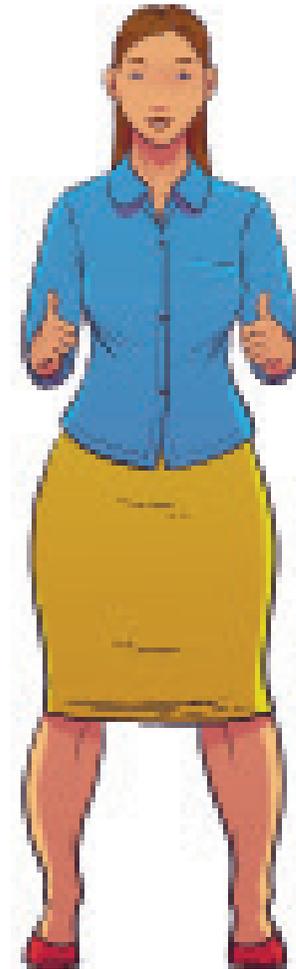


With her sisters and friends, she reached out to communities. The few cents she collected added up to provide food and medication for millions of children and adults. More children survived.



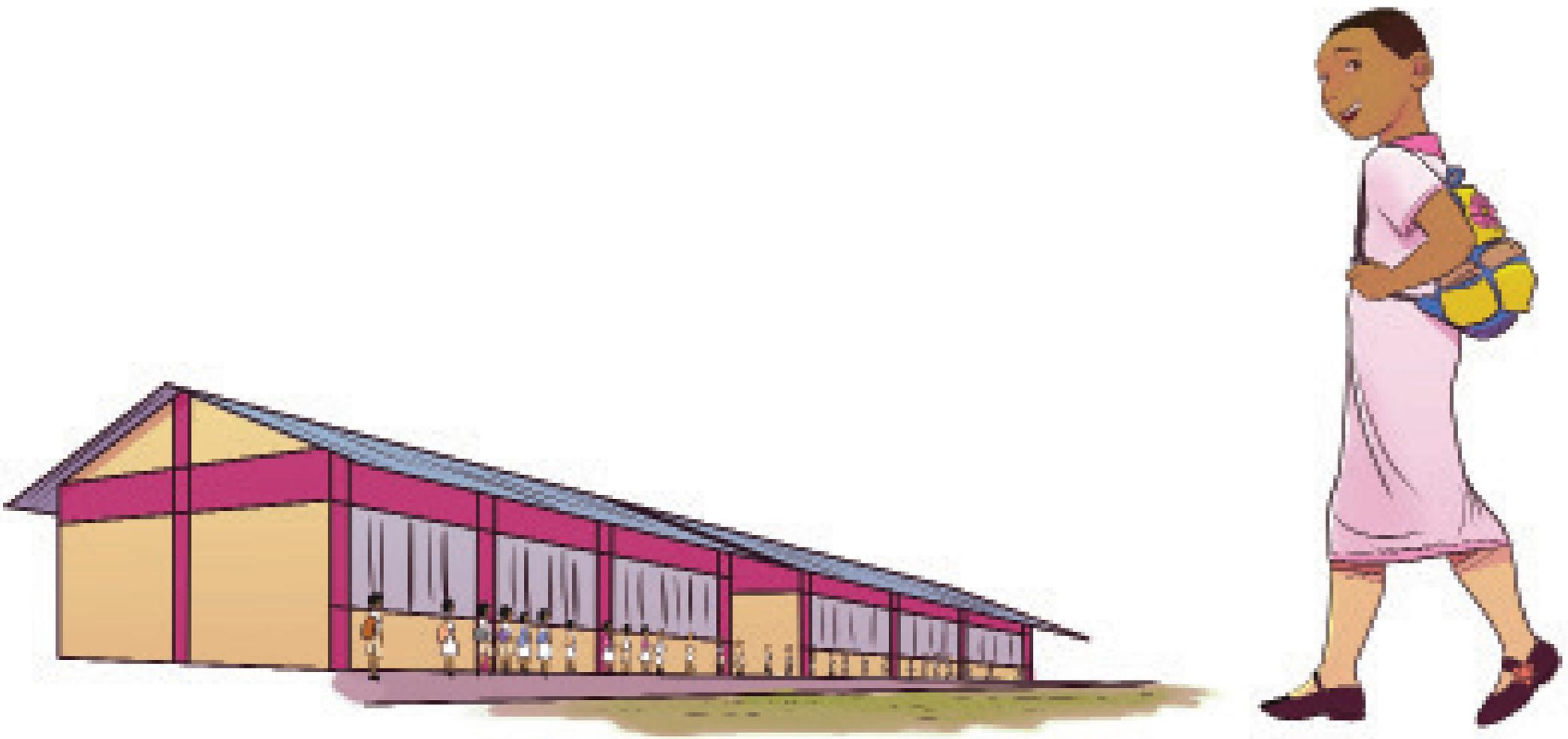
With her growing number of supporters, she wrote a short but clear document about what she believed were the human rights of every child, especially every “forgotten” child.

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Her notes made the declaration that was adopted in an extended form by the United Nations in 1959. The declaration later inspired the 1989 UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, a landmark human rights treaty. More children were protected.



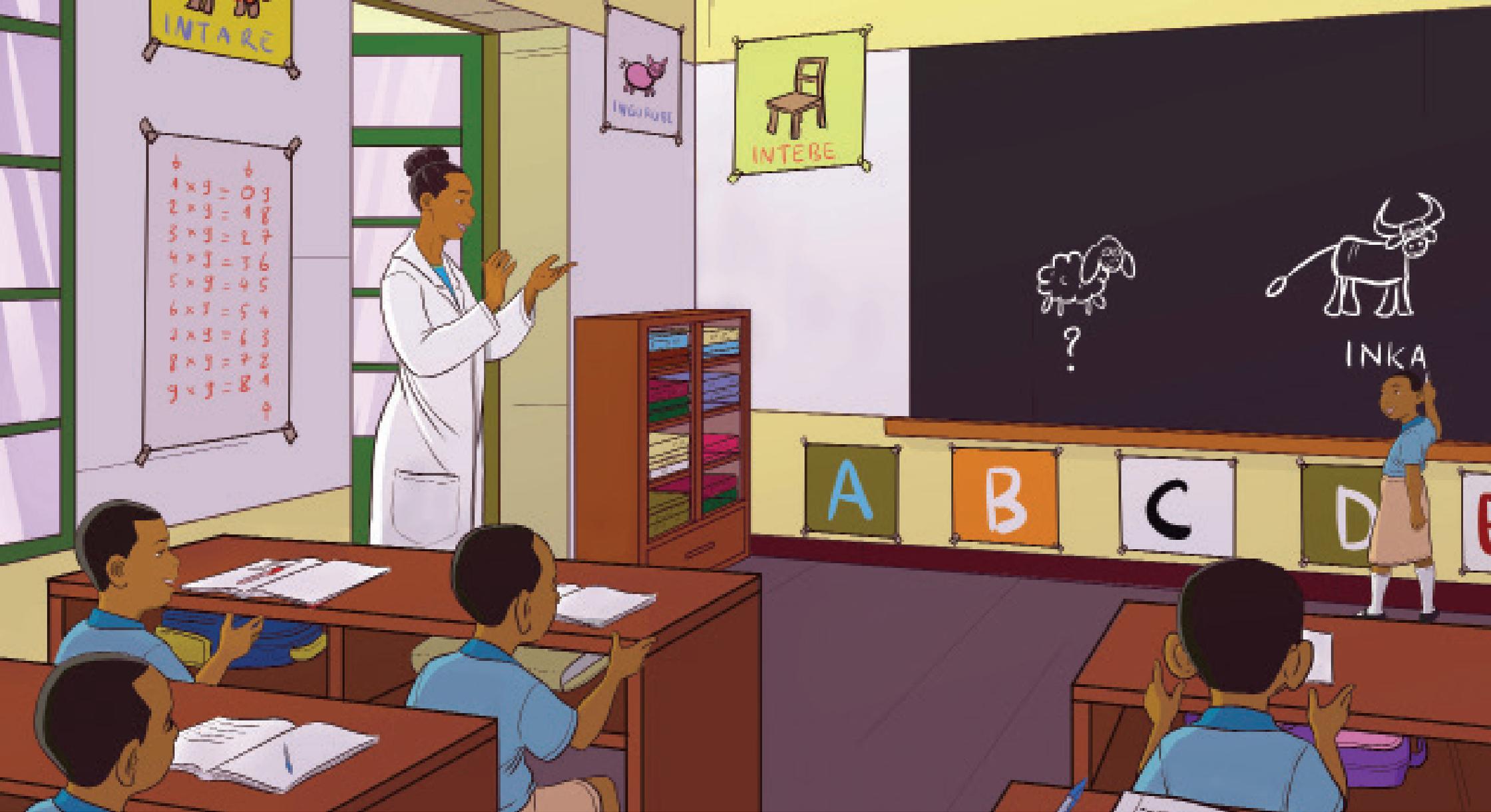


With her courage and determination, she used evidence to tell the world that all children have the right to education. She believed every child should learn in a safe environment and have access to opportunities to grow to their fullest potential. More children learned.





A hundred years later, the world still has children dying from wars, suffering from hunger, afflicted by abuse, and denied their rights to learn.



However, Eglantyne's legacy lives on. From her passion for giving the best she had to offer to children, she created a movement of thousands across the world to fight for the rights of every child to survive, to be protected and to learn.

WE CHAMPION THE RIGHTS OF ALL CHILDREN.

100 years ago, a courageous woman named Eglantyne Jebb founded Save the Children in response to the terrible suffering children were facing as a result of war. Armed with ideas ahead of her time, Eglantyne Jebb changed the course of history when she declared that all children should have rights. This revolutionary idea sparked a global movement aimed at making the world a better place for children. It also helped shape the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Selected key dates in Save the Children's history

1919: EGLANTYNE JEBB STANDS UP FOR CHILDREN AFTER WORLD WAR I

After seeing how children in Austria and Germany were starving in the aftermath of first World War, our founder, Eglantyne Jebb launched the Save the Children Fund to raise money to help them.

1924: DECLARATION FOR CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IS DRAFTED

The Declaration of the Rights of the Child, which was originally drafted by Eglantyne Jebb, was adopted by the League of Nations.

1930s: EXPANSION TO AFRICA AND ASIA

In the 1930s, we set up the Child Protection Committee, which stood up for children's rights in Africa and Asia. We also opened a child welfare centre in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, our first African programme.

1967: HELPING CHILDREN CAUGHT UP IN THE NIGERIAN CIVIL WAR

Shocking images of starving children in the Nigerian Civil War in Biafra were broadcast across the world. As the conflict raged over the next two and a half years, our clinics helped around 400 patients per day.

1969: OPENING SAVE THE CHILDREN'S FIRST AFRICAN FIELD OFFICE

In 1969, we opened our first African field office in Tanzania.

1972: SAVE THE CHILDREN ALLIANCE IS FORMED

The International Save the Children Alliance is formed, bringing together Save the Children organisations in several countries, including Norway, Sweden, Denmark and the US.

1979: STOP POLIO CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED

In 1979, we launched the Stop Polio campaign as part of an attempt to eradicate polio worldwide.

1980S: RESPONDING TO THE HIV/AIDS EPIDEMIC

We set up education, prevention and treatment projects to combat the prejudice and misconception around the spread of HIV/AIDS.

1984: HELPING MALNOURISHED CHILDREN DURING THE ETHIOPIAN FAMINE

Our staff and partners were among the first to raise the alarm about the impending famine in Ethiopia. In response, we shipped out grain, milk powder, sugar and oil to our centres, which fed 7,000 malnourished children every day.

1989: UN CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD ADOPTED

Building on Eglantyne Jebb's vision for children, the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child was adopted by UN General Assembly, making it the most universally accepted human rights treaty in history.

1990S: PROTECTING CHILDREN IN CONFLICT

During the 1990s, We campaigned for the rights of child soldiers and for the protection of children displaced by war. We also encouraged young people to speak out about their experiences.

1994: REUNITING FAMILIES AFTER THE 1994 RWANDAN GENOCIDE AGAINST THE TUTSI

After the 1994 Rwandan genocide against the Tutsi, we helped set up a family tracing and reunification programme to help the large number of unaccompanied children reunite with their parents and families.

2000S: CONTRIBUTING TO THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Save the Children joined the global effort to achieve the Millennium Development Goals, with ambitious targets including cutting child mortality by two-thirds, halving extreme poverty and hunger, and that all children should be in school by 2015.

2006: OUR FIRST GLOBAL CAMPAIGN, REWRITE THE FUTURE, IS LAUNCHED

Our first global campaign, Rewrite the Future, helped 1.4 million children attend school in conflict-affected countries.

2011: NO CHILD BORN TO DIE CAMPAIGN LAUNCH

We launched our No Child Born to Die campaign, which raised awareness of the number of child deaths globally, and helped save millions of children's lives through vaccinations, nutrition and newborn health work.

2013: EXPANDING OUR HUMANITARIAN AND EMERGENCIES WORK

Faced with the growing number of emergencies around the world, we expanded our humanitarian staff and resources, including by joining forces with frontline health charity, Merlin, in 2013.

2014: RESPONDING TO THE DEADLY EBOLA OUTBREAK IN WEST AFRICA

During the worst ever outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus, we reached 4.6 million people, including more than two million children, across Sierra Leone, Guinea and Liberia.

2016: LAUNCH OF THE EVERY LAST CHILD CAMPAIGN

We launched our Every Last Child campaign, which aims to tackle the root causes of discrimination and exclusion that are causing children to be left behind from global progress.

2016: RESPONDING TO THE GROWING MIGRATION CRISIS

In response to the growing migration crisis, we launched a search and rescue vessel and established our Children on the Move programme work.

2019: STOP THE WAR ON CHILDREN CAMPAIGN LAUNCH

Our Stop the War on Children campaign aims to ensure all children living in conflict zones stay safe, have justice, and receive the practical help they need to recover from injuries and trauma.

ACCELERATING PROGRESS FOR CHILDREN

Our ambition for 2030 is to create a world in which all children:

- **Survive:** No child dies from preventable causes before their fifth birthday
- **Learn:** All children learn from a quality basic education
- **Are Protected:** Violence against children is no longer tolerated.

Our bold ambition builds on 100 years' experience of bringing communities, civil society, governments, businesses and donors together to achieve lasting change for children.

We believe this is the only way that we can inspire real progress and breakthroughs in the way the world treats children.

SAVE THE CHILDREN IN RWANDA

Save the Children has been working in Rwanda since 1994. In the immediate aftermath of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi, Save the Children helped trace parents or relatives of thousands of children who had become separated from their families. Since then, we have been working in partnership with the government and local stakeholders to promote a bright future for Rwanda's children.

Save the Children in Rwanda works to ensure no child dies from preventable diseases before their 5th birthday; that all children are protected and that all children have access to a quality early and basic education. These are our main breakthroughs for children by 2030. To contribute to these three global breakthroughs, Save the Children Rwanda initiated a national footprint and dozens of active programs in child protection, education, health and nutrition, child rights governance and emergency response.

SC Rwanda collaborates with actors across the fabric of civil society, including governments, international organizations, NGOs, CSOs, communities, media and children themselves.

SC has achieved significant strategic successes, including growing programming for refugee children in both camp and urban contexts. It has also emerged as a significant player in child protection systems strengthening at the community level. SC had major successes in Education, including contributing to significant research to the field of literacy and early childhood development programming. In addition, we have recorded growing child rights governance and child protection programming and contributed significantly to the healthy system through the Maternal and Child Survival Programme.

Save the Children remains committed to helping children in Rwanda realize their full potential and ensure children are protected and free from all forms of violence and exploitation in all settings; achieving age appropriate milestones; all children including girls and children with disabilities have the skills, support and materials they need to improve literacy and numeracy; and newborn and child mortality are reduced.

Save the Children believes every child deserves a future. In Rwanda and around the world, we work every day to give children to health systems in life, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm. When crisis strikes, and children are most vulnerable, we are always among the first to respond and the last to leave. We ensure children's unique needs are met and their voices are heard. We deliver lasting results for millions of children, including those hardest to reach. We do whatever it takes for children – every day and in times of crisis – transforming their lives and the future we share.

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For more information on the work of Save the Children in Rwanda, please visit <https://rwanda.savethechildren.net/>

