

Christian Aid Week Children's activity sheet

This is Aurelia, a farmer from Guatemala. She grows cacao (used to make chocolate - yum!), cinnamon, corn and pineapples.

Aurelia has a really big family and the food she grows helps them to eat well and also helps her to earn money.

But terrible storms and awful droughts (when there's no rain for a very long time) have been destroying her crops. Aurelia knew there must be a way to protect her farm and her family. She had hope!

Aurelia met with Christian Aid's friends, called Congcoop. They teamed up with Aurelia to find different ways of farming so that she could keep her plants growing, even when the weather's bad.

Now, Aurelia's helping her community by teaching them what she's learned about farming. She wants everyone's lives to be filled with hope.



Aurelia has lots of grandchildren and she loves them all so much.

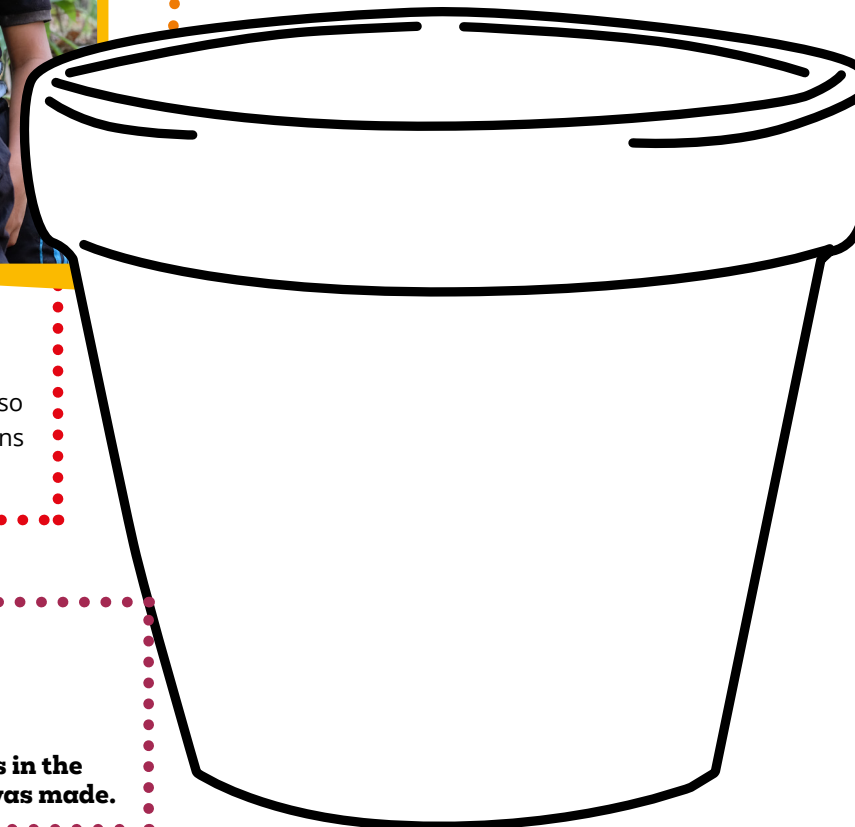
She tries to grow different fruit and vegetables so that they can have a balanced diet full of vitamins and minerals to help keep them healthy.

Christian Aid helps farmers like Aurelia to grow plants that stay healthy even though the weather is getting worse.

Farmers need good seeds, good soil, good fertiliser (plant food) and good water to grow good food. Aurelia and her friends are hopeful that they are now able to give their family more food to help them grow.

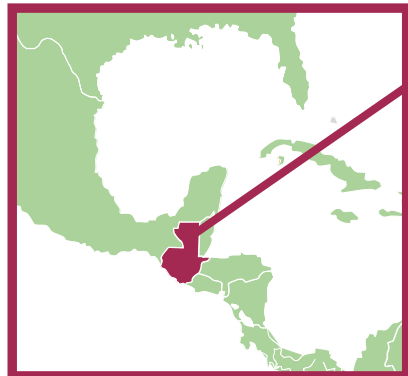
Who helps you to grow?

Write their names or draw pictures of them in the plant pot and say thank you to God for them.



Guatemala

Did you know?




In Guatemala there are 37 volcanoes.


The quetzal is the national bird.


It's one of the first places in the world where chocolate was made.

Learn this verse from the Bible that reminds us of the hope we have in God and that we can share with others, just like Aurelia does. Colour or decorate the key word below and find it in the verse.

I pray that the God who gives hope will fill you with much joy and peace while you trust in him. Then your hope will overflow by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15: 13

H O P E

Let's pray for Aurelia, her family and people around the world who are facing dangerous storms, droughts and floods because of climate change.

Draw a sun or cloud and write your prayers inside them. Who could you share your prayers with?

