## 2016-2017 GIFT CATALOG



## PIG

## Here is a story of how this gift helps others

Families living in poverty face many challenges and often do not have enough money to buy basic necessities. Providing food for their children to eat becomes a constant worry for parents, and the cost of school isn't affordable. With a pig a family can gain additional income by breeding and selling their piglets.

For example, a group of twelve men from the Nongkya village meet weekly to discuss savings and income generation. All of them were low income farmers who relied on farming as their only source of income. Each of them grew vegetables on their small pieces of land and sold what they could in the market. Their profit from the market was not enough and they didn't have what they needed to provide for their families.

Together, the group of men went through training to learn how to raise pigs. With the help of World Renew and their own contributions the group purchased two pigs, constructed a pigsty and bought feed for the piglets. Within the same year the group was able to sell the two pigs and earn enough profit to pursue new income generating activities. Now they are learning about poultry and cattle.

"Earlier we were living for the sake of living. We only have our daily bread and nothing to save for times of emergency; nor did we have guts to face other challenges related to the community. But since we formed a self-help group, we have learned to save, starting with a very small amount and have realized coming together as a group has eased us from all sorts of problems."

The gift of a pig shares the love of God and provides a brighter future for a family living in poverty.

