100 93 Number of Under-5 Child Deaths per 1,000 Live Births Promise Gap 90 87 Moms and Dads watched **1,243,979** kids die because the world did not keep its 80 76 promises to children in 2018. 70 60 1,237,867 kids slated to die 51 needlessly and negligently 50 in 2021. 40 30 20 15 Goal 10 2000 2005 2015 2018 1995 2035 2021 Reported Under-5 Child Interpolated MDG 4 Projected Under-5 Child Promise Numbers Death Rate, Selected Years Death Rate, 2021 Source: empty tomb, inc. analysis; UNICEF data empty tomb, inc., 2020 July 26, 2011 On 7/26/2011, Minhaj Gedi Farah was admitted to the International Rescue Committee field hospital in the Eastern Kenyan village of Hagadera near Dadaab. He weighed 3.4 kg (7 lb 8 oz). (AP photo by Schalk van Zuydam) On 8/6/2011, he weighed 3.8 kg (8 lb 6 oz). (AP photo by Jerome Delay) August 6, 2011 This Somali child's mother was able to reach a hospital in Kenya. The seven-month old baby responded to the medical assistance

Figure 21: Exponential Interpolation Of MDG 4 Under-5 Child Deaths Per 1,000 Live Births, Based on Reported 1990 Data and 2035 Goal; Reported Data, 1995, 2000, 2010, 2015, and 2018; Projected 2021 Data

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provided. The church in the U.S. has the potential to increase giving in order to help close the child death gap between the actual rate and the goal target, thereby helping millions of children (see Chapter 6).