



Where There is Water There is Life Water for a Dry and Thirsty Land

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From the president's desk—

"It is true! The Lord has risen..." Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them *when He broke the bread.*' Lk 24:34-35. (NIV) It is interesting to see that the disciples from Emmaus recognized Jesus once He broke the bread. I am praying that whenever I partake of communion in remembrance of what Jesus did for me that my eyes will be further opened to recognize Jesus, whose power is living in me!

Sadly, two years have come and gone for our driller, Ivan Stoltzfus, so till you get this he will already be back in the States. We so very much appreciate you, Ivan, and all you have contributed to WFL and the Haitian people!! God bless you abundantly!! ~ *Leon*

Search for water, search for life



The villagers in Chardonnière, South of Haiti, get their water from the river. The water is muddy; it smells and tastes bad, but it is the only water source available in the area. Women and girls have to come down to the river several times a day to fetch the contaminated water even if it means getting sick from water-related diseases. World-wide, these diseases kill a child every 60 seconds. (UNICEF/WHO (JMP 2015).

They have no other choice than to collect that microbe soup for their survival even when cholera is still claiming lives among them.

"The poor and needy search for water, but there is none; their tongues are parched with thirst. But I the LORD will answer them; I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them. Isaiah 41:17 (NIV)

The Lord is fulfilling His Word through you donors who cheerfully contribute with your prayers, time, and money to the water well building project for the benefit of many Haitian villages. Your gift of love has already provided clean water to around half million people in Southern Haiti through over sixteen hundred water wells.

When clean water is brought close to people's homes, the hours previously spent hauling water can be used in more productive ways; the children, especially girls, can go to school and hope for a better future, the people no longer drink contaminated water, so they spend less time being sick and less money on medical expenses. Yet, just as it is in Chardonnière, many other villages are still devoid of clean drinking water.

Your contribution to a well project in Haiti is a lifesaving gift. You may talk to friends and families and invite them to become part of a great cause! Let us seize the opportunity that God offers us to make a change in someone's life.

Marie sees

"...One thing I do know; I was blind but now I see." John 9:25 (NIV.) Marie was seen several months ago at a mobile clinic and diagnosed with bilateral cataracts, making her totally blind.



Today Marie (below center, with white t-shirt) is bursting with joy, and her family's hearts are filled with gratitude to those who contributed for her to regain her sight.



From a woman who was totally dependent on others for the most basic needs:

"I am happy today because I am able to see, I am most grateful to God that spoke to the heart of the sponsors of the program.

"I have hope to go back to my small selling business and be a support to my family".

"After two years I am able to see my children's face again. The Lord is Merciful and Good. Thank you very much for giving me my sight back."

The WFL cataract program have a waiting list of over 40 people who are awaiting surgery to recover from cataract. Join the fight against darkness by sponsoring one of them!

Your donation will empower lives.

Hunger for Education

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." 3 John 4:4 (NIV)

Paswadòm is a village where the economy is mostly based on small family farms. Children, especially girls, are responsible for many of the domestic chores, helping their moms while the fathers are in the garden.

The students of Divine Help School appreciate being able to attend school in their village, where they have access to a good academic and Christian education.

Students here start at 3 years of age going to 2 years of preschool. In their homes they do not have access to paper and pencils, crayons, and a multitude of other things, so this makes it possible they can begin learning basic things like that. Till they complete kindergarten they are reading.

Our school goes through 10th grade, but we would like to add an additional grade,

eventually completing all the high school grades.



This studious girl in the picture is giving so much attention to her learning! It is the best sign of gratitude to all of you who have contributed in supporting Water For Life School in her village.

They need your support for school supplies, a warm and balanced meal and qualified teachers.

Your contribution earmarked for the school helps make up the difference between what parents pay for tuition and what our actual expenses are.

Blessings to you~ *The Water for Life Team*

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*Our thanks to those of you who have donated baby bundles and toothbrushes / toothpaste!! These articles are given to people in our mobile clinics and are much appreciated!! If you'd like to participate, please contact our Iowa office at 319-656-5433 or by email [waterforlife@hotmail.com](mailto:waterforlife@hotmail.com) for more information.*

### **February Statistics**

wells drilled and installed: 17  
 people served : 5,950  
 pumps repaired: 25  
 people served : 8,750  
 mobile clinic : 641 people served