



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

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From the president's desk-

Greetings once again to all our wonderful friends! I thank God every time I think about how he is using you all to help the Haitian people. God is using you to pass your prayers and funds through Water For Life to them, and then all glory goes back to the Father. It is the Father Who is doing everything through all of us together for His glory! I am so thankful I can be a part of this circle of love.

We have had many wonderful people coming down this winter to help with different projects, and they have each been such an encouragement to me as I see God using each one of us for his glory. Each of the groups coming have said, "How can we help you? We've come to give help in whatever way we can." Many times it's the "little things" that need to be taken care of, that no one has yet had time to do, that need to be done. So THANK YOU each one of you for your encouraging words and acts of service! They are much appreciated!! So we pray as we all work together for the glory of God. He *will* be glorified! Thank you again, and don't forget to let us know of things we can pray about with and for you. Let's stay in touch! ~ *Leon*

World Water Day !

MARCH 22ND was instated as World Water Day by the United Nation. It's a mean for focusing attention on the importance of fresh water in life and the struggle for millions to get access to clean water. When you help a village by providing a well, you bring much more than just water.

Water is essential to health

According to the World Health Organization each and every day some 3,900 children in this world die because of dirty water or poor hygiene. Waterborne diseases are the second leading cause of death in children worldwide. When you donate a well, you save many children's lives.

Water is essential to improve the life of the poor people in Haiti

With a safe water source in their village, instead of walking hours to find water, children have more time to attend school and prepare a better future. When water is rare and of poor quality, it negatively impacts food security, livelihood choices, and educational opportunities for poor families in Haiti. This boy has suffered at a



young age from malnutrition and from having daily to carry heavy buckets of unsafe water. This situation has led many children in Haiti to poor growth with hernias and musculoskeletal deformities.

Together we can make a difference.

Be part of the change by showing God's love to the needy by helping to provide them with a well.



Girls in L'Azile fetching water for their families in a water hole.



Clean water, healthy bodies; the future is looking bright!

"When He went ashore, He saw a large crowd, and felt compassion for them and healed their sick." Matthew 14:14 NASB

Led by the Love and Compassion of Jesus, the WFL mobile clinic crew went to the village of Despas. The crowd of 641 people with their spiritual and physical needs came to have a word of healing, a medical gesture. Dudenailine, a 2-year-old girl was among them; she was brought by her aunt,



suffering from a broken femur. It happened as Dudenailine was playing hide and seek with a cousin that an unhinged door fell on her. Her left leg started to swell and the pain became unbearable for this little girl. She was taken to a health care facility from where she was sent back home with only pain relief medicine (the nurse couldn't diagnose it was a broken bone). Since that day, little Dude was suffering so much she couldn't even sleep at night. Her grandfather tried to heal her with a folk remedy, but things got worse with a skin infection.

On the fifth day after her accident, little broken Dudenailine came to the mobile clinic with 104°F temperature; the staff had no other choice than to rush this baby in

pain to a hospital in Cayes. By the Grace of God and with your donations to our mobile clinic program, Dudenailine was hospitalized and received good health care. After being into traction for several days, and treating the infection, the medical team of the hospital was able to put a long cast on her broken leg and torso so she could go back home.



Because of your donations we were able to cover all medical expenses for baby Dudenailine because her family was too poor to afford that.

On behalf of the 641 beneficiaries, the mobile clinic team expresses their gratitude, and we praise the Lord for your cheerful generosity.

Once again we ask for your prayers and financial support as we will be heading out in March for our next mobile clinic.

To help a village access healthcare through the mobile clinic program costs WFL **\$8 per patient**. We generally see around 600 people in the two days of clinic at an area.

Blessings to you

~ The Water for Life Team

If you are interested in sending down individually wrapped toothbrushes and small toothpaste for our mobile clinics, please contact Nikki at our office. (319)656-5433 or waterforlife@hotmail.com

January 2016 statistics

Wells drilled: 8

Population served: 2,800

Pumps Installed: 3

(2 hand pumps , 1 submersible)

Population served: 1,050