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NEWSLETTER

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Mobile Clinic in Béreaud/Torbeck

More than 1,020! This is the number of people we received during the mobile clinic which took place on March 30, 31 and April 1 in a locality called Béreaud, Torbeck.

On Thursday afternoon, after having installed most of the equipment, we were able to mobilize the population of the area to share with them on several health topics and also hygiene related to water. We sang together and distributed some booklets talking about Salvation. The people were very receptive and participated well.

Then, Friday and Saturday were dedicated to consultations.



People were flocking from everywhere; we saw the lines of people noticeably increase. Elderly people who could barely stand, pregnant women, children, men, young and old, all wanted to benefit from the clinic's services. For many, this was the only time in many years that they have had the opportunity to see a dentist or eye doctor. For some it was even the very first time!



Usually, when we do mobile clinics, we stop seeing people between noon and one o'clock on Saturday afternoon so we have time to put everything away and get on the road to return home.



This time there were so many people, that we had to stay on site until 4 p.m.

In Haiti, the healthcare system is failing and access to quality health care is too expensive and too far away for people living in rural areas.



The needs increase as the population sinks deeper into poverty.

We thank the doctors, nurses and Water For Life staff who selflessly gave up their weekend. We continue to count on your unfailing support which allows this project to exist because the costs for equipment and drugs are still very present.

God has directed things once again and we are happy to have been able to serve our neighbors in this way and we really hope to be able to organize another clinic soon.

Meet Daphca

Meet Daphca Dupreville. Daphca is 30 years old; she has family and, like many in the locality of Béreaud, she tries to manage to feed them. She never really pays attention to herself. So this mobile clinic was an unexpected blessing.

She was able to see several specialists and do a screening test for cervical cancer.

She came to find me in the yard after her exam. "Thank you

Water For Life!" she said to me. Talking to her I realized that the test result was positive, which meant that she had precancerous cells.

Then, why this smile on his face?

"Well, if Water For Life hadn't come up with this service I never would have known I had a problem. Now it's detected early enough for me to do cryotherapy. Thanks!" she explained.



Dear friends, join us in giving glory to God because wherever we are, in the United States or in Haiti, the Lord uses us to bless the less fortunate and even in some cases help save lives. Let's pray for Daphca so that the cryotherapy we offer will prevent the development of a disease that could not be treated here.

Heartbeats from the Field: Fatima Grégoire

Q. When did your story with Water For Life begin?

A. I started working for Water For Life on January 20, 2020. I had just gotten married and had settled with my husband in the neighborhood. I discovered the institution and I said to myself that I would like to work there. I dropped off my resume and a letter and waited. A year



and three months later I received a call asking me to come for an interview. At the beginning of January 2020 I remember praying to God and asking Him to bless me with a job for that year; well, I started on January 20th!

I am responsible as housekeeping manager and I assist at the pharmacy level during mobile clinics. I also help whenever I can in the preparation of meals in the kitchen.

- Q: How do you understand and appreciate the mission of Water For Life?
- A: Water For Life makes it possible to serve the population, and it allows people to take care of themselves and protect their lives. Water For Life also teaches us employees to live together in harmony. We experience the love of God.
- Q: How do you understand your participation in this mission?
- A: I try to perform my task with all my heart. I am proud to be part of Water For Life and I am proud of the work I do here.
- Q: What impact has this mission had in your life?
- A: Before I was intimidated by people, but sharing devotional moments with other staff and learning to work with them, I realized that there was no reason to be intimidated. I feel good being part of a team. I hope that we continue for a long time all together.



From Leon's Desk

Greetings to all our wonderful friends! We are so grateful for each one of you who support the work in Haiti either by your donations or your prayers. It is so wonderful to see how God keeps providing just what we are in need of. There are so many needs in Haiti, and we know that God has called us to do the specific work that we are doing.

Even though there are many people who are involved in corruption and other evil, there are so many more who are not like that! There continues to be so many villages still in desperate need of water, and they are just trying to get through each day. The mothers especially are trying their best to care for their children and keep them healthy; good clean water is a big part of that! It just happens that at most times it is moms and children who carry most of the water from the pump to their home.

This month we especially celebrate mothers. A verse that comes to my mind is found in 1 Peter 3:4 that says that a woman's beauty "should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight." These words for sure remind me of my mom. I am very thankful for her and how she cared for me. As a child many days I suffered from asthma and the treatments then were not like today! It wasn't easy for me and not for her either! She had to lay aside her plans many times to take care of me. But God got me through it, and I no longer suffer from it, PTL. Mothers are very special!!!

Thank you once again for your financial help and prayers!! We love you all!!

~Leon

— Share Your Prayer Concerns With Us —

We invite you to share your prayer concerns with us; we'd count it a privilege to keep you in our prayers.

— March 2023 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 4 Hand Pumps Installed: 4

People Served: approximately 1,400

Hand Pumps Repaired: 80

People Served: approximately 28,000

WFL School Meals Served: 12,846