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Hallelujah, We've Found Meaning in Our Lives!



Since the dawn of time man has been haunted by questions related to his presence on planet Earth, such as “What is the reason for our existence?” and “Why do we do what we do?” For many people these questions remain unanswered.

For our part, when we became born-again Christians we received the power to fully understand life. So we believe that in everything we do, if we let ourselves be guided by Christ, we will discover the reason of our existence, which is the Love of God.

As the Bible, God’s letter to us, reveals the height and depth of God’s love, our Lord chose to invest His love in a being outside of Himself. He wanted, out of love and friendship, to choose a companion with whom to share and commune, an offspring to love, with whom to speak.

Our experience at WFL has been and still is the materialization of this Love. Despite the lack of means, political turmoil, and incessant mechanical breakdowns, we, as pump repair technicians, have never been discouraged from committing ourselves to communicating this Love deep in the remote regions of Haiti.

Leprete and Preville, to name just a couple, are village names that you do not suspect exist and yet, thanks to your prayers and financial contribution toward WFL well projects, you have brought dignity, health, and joy of living to many thousands of people. These communities will finally be able to grow food and will no longer have to drink from contaminated water. What a wonderful blessing!!

Find Hope in Deep Darkness

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”
1 Peter 1:3 (NIV).

It is always sad to meet hopeless people in the face of disturbing situations encountered, either in their personal



lives or through events affecting everyone, such as: natural disasters, diseases, epidemics, pandemics, poverty, war and so on. These kinds of situations always bring despair and discouragement. When one cannot see the far end of the tunnel, people generally place their hopes in things, such as money, jobs, financial security, or in their friends, but none of these can give meaningful or permanent hope to a person’s life. However, by faith we believe that our God, Holder of illustrious and absolute power, as Sovereign, has acceded to us His great mercy, to be regenerated for a living hope in Jesus Christ. Hallelujah! Such faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen (Hebrews 11 :1 KJV).

Hope we have in the Lord is the evidence of experiences with God. “Our God is faithful” means that He keeps His promises ALL the time.

Man’s experience is linked to expectation and anticipation of what he wants to see happen, but hope in God is much more sure and anticipates with great confidence. Why? It is because the believer knows that God is unchanging. He does not change. His promises, His Word, His work of salvation do not change. They give us Confidence and Hope. The Creator God has the power to guarantee His promises.

David in Psalm 23:4 states, *“If I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.”* The shadow of death is all the different kinds of problems we have to face on earth. We can choose to let ourselves be invaded either by this valley of the shadow of death, or by the great mercy of God in Jesus Christ. The choice is ours; let’s choose Living Hope in Christ!

—Pastor Beaurière Sené



From Leon's Desk

Greetings to all our wonderful friends! I am so thankful to know so many of you who have been a part of helping the people of Haiti in many ways. I love the verse in Isaiah 63:7—*“I will tell of the kindness of the Lord, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the Lord has done for us.”* (NIV) This certainly is what I want to do all the days of my life. The Lord blessed me with many unique stories, and I'd like to share one of them with you: this happened when we lived in the village of Paswadòm, and the people relied a lot on us to help them get to a hospital—whether an accident or a birth, that sort of thing. This time it was for a birth. It seemed like most births happened at night, or maybe those are the ones we found out about! So one night someone knocked on our door and told us their wife was in labor and needed to go to the hospital. I got over to their place to pick the lady up. We had a sturdy SUV-type vehicle with a back door. They brought some sheets along and she lay there in the back as we took off for the 20-mile [2 hour] trip over terrible roads for most of the way. One other person went along (not the father). I didn't want to go overly fast to make her more uncomfortable than she already was on the one hand, but I did want to get to the hospital before she gave birth! I could tell by her groans that labor was progressing. When we were over half-way to our destination I could tell we weren't going to make it, and sure enough the other rider said, “You'd better stop.” I stopped, went back and jerked open the door, and basically caught the baby! It all happened so fast! We wrapped up the baby, gave her to her mama to hold and continued to the hospital. We arrived around 1 am and the doors were locked tight. I rapped on the gate till someone finally came and after several minutes we were able to drive in. A wheelchair in pretty bad shape was brought out for the mama to ride in. I walked alongside her, holding the baby who was still attached to its umbilical cord. Well, they got the baby taken care of, and after a bit all of us were on our way back home. The mother was so thankful I'd been able to help in her time of need that she insisted I be the godfather for her child. So I was able to watch the child grow up over the years.

— 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.

Save the Dates!

Iowa • August 21
Indiana • September 11

For you golfers, we'd love to have you participate in one (or both!) of our golf fundraisers later this summer. August 21 is set for Iowa, at the Kalona Golf Course.

For Middlebury, Indiana, the date is September 11.

If you have not yet registered for Iowa, but wish to participate, please call Mitch Swartzentruber (319-936-0749) or download the form from our website.

For those in Indiana, an application form will be available on the website soon!

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When I think of the goodness of the Lord, it is amazing! That mother saw the goodness of God too. God brings people into our lives and in looking back, we recognize it had to be God! I am sure you'd have many stories also where you saw the goodness of God. I think as we are getting older we have so many more opportunities to see God do even the impossible.

I think of how God has touched many lives by your generous giving to make it possible to touch lives in Haiti. As the years go by, we continue to find many more villages that are in need of water. Perhaps you think surely everyone has access to good clean water by now! But no, that's not the case. Many people representing their communities come by our office, or call with their requests. Many people are praying for you, because we have to tell them we cannot drill a well for them unless some generous person or group can donate the funds for it. We thank you so much for listening to God's prompting!

Please keep praying for our team in Haiti, the equipment necessary to drill and repair those wells, and for our school children and staff! Each person is precious in His sight!

~Leon



— June 2020 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 20
Hand Pumps Installed: 23
People Served: approximately 8,050
Hand Pumps Repaired: 69
People Served: approximately 24,150

— Baby Bundles Needed! —

At our mobile clinics, we seek to put into the hands of pregnant moms a baby bundle filled with things they will need and want to have on hand when the baby arrives.

If you or your church group would like to participate in preparing some, please contact our Iowa office for a list of what goes inside them. Any amount is greatly appreciated! Thank you so much for your interest and participation!

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