

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

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## NEWSLETTER

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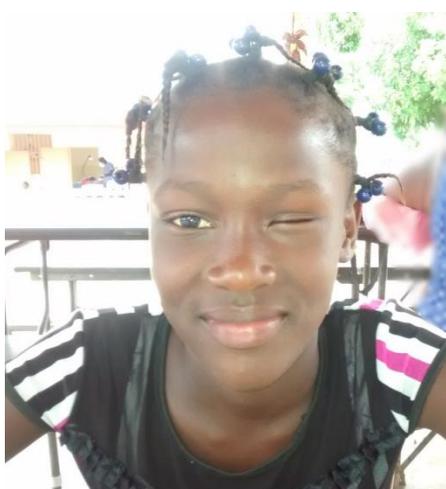
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### *From the president's desk—*

Greetings to all of you! Time keeps moving on and now it is summer time! I am sure you all are busy with all the activities of summer. Joy and I are in the states, and it is good to be able to see family and friends in addition to doing some speaking engagements and doing some other work for Water For Life. We don't want you to forget about the continued need that people in Haiti have for water in the midst of all your activities! We do want to thank you so much for your giving hearts! As God is teaching me about trusting Him for all things, we walk by faith. The Lord tells us to be thankful in all things because giving thanks is an expression of our faith in God; it is to remember our lives are in His hands, and we trust Him to fulfill His promises. Romans 8:28 says, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." So as we trust God with our lives and expressing that faith through giving thanks is a freedom and peace that is supernatural.. So as we see how the Lord has been providing water for the people of Haiti, we say Thank You, Lord! And thank you to all of you who have been so faithful in your giving. As we travel around it is such a blessing to have people tell us they are praying for Water For Life. So keep walking by faith and giving thanks! May the peace of God rest upon you all. ~ *Leon*

*"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace..."*

"But this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him" John 9: 3 (NIV)



Anilia, 12, was one of the 696 patients that by God's grace and your support the WFL Mobile Clinic Program provided medical services to in the village

of Zoranger in Jacmel. She was born one-eyed in a poor family. Though not feeling well Anilia had a reason to smile that day; her family has not been able to afford to send her to a doctor. Your gift of \$7 allowed her to have access to medicine and vitamins her body needs to thrive. Like Anilia, people came in droves with their handicaps and illnesses. They experienced more than medical care; they had the opportunity to experience God's love, compassion and forgiveness. Our love for the Master is recognized by Him when we diligently seek out, looking carefully at the physical condition and needs of those in distress, showing respect to our infirm and sick brethren in the Lord. Thanks to God for allowing us to experience practical love by serving the needs of the sick through medical care.

On the behalf of the villagers of Zoranger we thank you.

*"For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life." ~Saint Francis' prayer*

### *Educate a Child, Change a Community*

We thank God for the completion of another school year! We are grateful to have dedicated teachers and staff to oversee the 350+ students and to direct them in their studies, having devotions with them in their classrooms daily, and being role models for them!



In May, students in 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades from the Help from Above school in Pasbwadòm along with their teachers visited the city of Cayes, which is the first tourist destination of Haiti.

They visited the wonderful Botanical Garden, where they could admire the beauty of nature, then proceeded on to one of the vetiver perfume oil factories in the area, where they had the chance to learn about vetiver plants whose roots are the basis for the biggest industry in the area.

The Water For Life team in Cayes was happy to receive this group of students who had the opportunity to meet and benefit from the words of wisdom from the Water for Life administrative staff and learned more about our water well drilling and mobile clinic program.

These 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders had a great day! They are very grateful to attend a school where they have a proper education and the opportunity to be exposed to world progress.

The fact of the matter is that without the help of our sponsors, the students would not have too much chance of receiving the education crucial to their success as adults one day. You can make a lasting difference in the life of our students when you sponsor our school.

### *Water- A Vital Everyday Necessity*

“For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah.” I Kings 17:16



More than half of people living in rural areas in Haiti fetch water in sub-human conditions. Without a well close by, these women must draw water from places such as shallow dug wells into which they lower their bucket, or a pit dug into a muddy little stream; in all likelihood these sources are contaminated. Sadly, they have to fill their containers with this dirty water for their daily needs, knowing that in that bucket they carry bacteria that very possibly will make their children sick. These women continue to care for their families with the limited resources available. Courageously they will be carrying the heavy bucket on their head on the long way back home hoping for a miracle to soothe their souls. As in the time of Elijah when God provided an inexhaustible source of oil and flour to the widow of Zarephath, we also believe that through the hearts of willing people the misery of these

women will end as clean water will keep flowing out from wells.

Once these wells are drilled, the children in the village will no longer be threatened by waterborne diseases, the mothers won't be busy all day traveling long distance for water, and they will have more time for money income activities to meet the basic daily needs.

Whom shall the Lord call to bring them relief and comfort, meeting their physical needs through the gift of clean water that manifests the love of Jesus-Christ and the reality and power of God?

Our Father is calling us to share our blessings with his people. Providing them with a well means a life changing experience for many families. Your donation is a great contribution fulfilling the love of our Lord Jesus for us to be a blessing to one another. ~ *The Water for Life Team*



**Congratulations to Troy and Vilna Miller on the safe arrival of their little girl, Fanice Mae !**

Once again, a little reminder of our need for baby bundles, used in our mobile medical clinics as a gift for pregnant moms. Interested? Contact our office in Iowa at 319-656-5433 or email [waterforlife@hotmail.com](mailto:waterforlife@hotmail.com) to find out details.

Thank you!!

**In the Months of May and June, there have been two fundraisers for Water for Life, raising enough money for 5 wells and to help cover expenses at the school. Praise Jesus!!!**

### May 2016 Statistics

- Wells drilled: 5
- People served: 1750
- Pumps installed: 5
- Pumps repaired: 33
- People served: 11,550
- Medical Mobile Clinic: 697