



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

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## NEWSLETTER

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### Bring Them Water, Bring Them a Bit of Heaven!



Some are eager for gold and oil; they would believe themselves in paradise if ever they stumbled upon one or the other. Yet this young mother is living a moment of paradise because finally she now has access to the blue gold that is WATER!

Indeed, to understand how grateful this young woman could be for this magnificent gift, we would have to revisit this small village of Demion/South of Haiti where people have had to walk multiple kilometers before reaching the nearest water source.

The women and children, who are most often affected in this blue gold rush, are the first blessed and relieved because now, thanks to your good heart, they will be able to benefit from their new water pump and enjoy life and health.

Thank you all for bringing to thousands of people in Haiti a piece of Heaven by supporting Water For Life's Well Program.

### All Praise to God!

This year, Divine Help School's classrooms and playground are buzzing with activity, with over 600 students busy every day since the beginning of the new school year on November 16th.

Joy and satisfaction shine on the face of every teacher and student because last year, despite many difficulties (political unrest and the Covid-19 health crisis), 35 out of 37 9th graders and seniors brilliantly passed their official (state) exams.

This victory is not only that of the students and teachers but also that of all of you who have contributed to supporting the school through our child sponsorship program.

When you sponsor a child you allow:

- a serene and seamless education for the student through all of high school
- the food needs of the student to be met by ensuring the availability of a hot meal for each child
- over 400 men and women—parents—to have the means to meet with dignity the basic and essential physical needs of their child(ren) that are in addition to school.



Thank you again to everyone who made the book program possible. This program is now in its second year, and provides more than 300 students with access to the school materials that are essential for their learning and their future success.

Thank you for continuing to support the students in order to allow these children of God to shine for the glory of our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ!

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## From Leon's Desk

Happy New Year greetings to you!

I really do enjoy writing to you and telling of how good God is! I love that song by Jenn Johnson and Bethel Music, *The Goodness of God*. As we look back over the past year, it is amazing to see the goodness of God. It was a year we'll not forget for a while! God allowed Water For Life to go through a difficult year, but He brought us through! He taught us many things and showed us His goodness.



I love this verse—Isaiah 63:7a—*“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) I believe it is very important that we tell of the goodness and kindness of God to others. He deserves all our praise. This past year has been so difficult for all of us: so many things happened in all our lives that we had no idea of a year ago. The coronavirus changed lots of things. But God was with us! As we look into this new year, once again we have no idea what will happen, but our times are in His hands; our hope is in the Lord. You know, I heard a pastor the other day say it's in the darkest days of our lives that our hope in the Lord needs to shine the brightest!

### — Support WFL via Estate Planning —

The beginning of the year is a good time to review one's estate plans. If you have already included a gift to Water for Life as part of your plans, thank you! If not, would you please consider joining other households who have done so? Our friends at Everence can assist you with ways you can support Water for Life and other ministries you care about.

Contact [lyle.miller@everence.com](mailto:lyle.miller@everence.com) or your local representative for more information.

Belonging to Christ, we have an anchor in the One Who holds the future. He is our Hope, our Solid Rock. The world today is full of fear and anxiety about many things. Looking around us, we can be tempted to become likewise. But OUR HOPE IS IN THE LORD! Let's keep our eyes on Him! As the Psalmist said, *“My eyes are fixed on You, O sovereign Lord!”* Ps. 141:8a (NIV)

Our Haitian brothers and sisters have gone through a lot this year also. It has been a big miracle that the virus has not created bigger havoc there than it has. Because many live so closely crowded together, and their most common transportation also is very crowded, there is no way to observe social distancing of 6 ft. We know many people have prayed for Haiti in regards to the virus, and we are so thankful it hasn't gotten worse. Meanwhile they have to go about their lives to get food and water and to stay healthy.

We know that many Haitian people are looking to you to help provide them with what they cannot do on their own, and that is good clean water in this year! Already there are many villages asking us to please come drill them a well. It will lighten their load so much to have access to good uncontaminated water closer to their homes than what they have presently. Living in the States, it is hard to imagine there are many places in this world where running water in one's house is not the norm. Maybe this can be the year that your family or church or civic group can make it possible for a village to have good water and thereby bless hundreds of people. You can change their lives by providing clean water for them to drink, to bathe in, to cook with, to water their livestock. In so doing, the whole village reaps better health; the children will be more likely to go to school due to not being sick, and they can spend far less time fetching water.

The wells we drilled 30-40 years ago are giving water today. So if the Lord lays it on your heart to help a village, it will have a huge long-term effect on that area! Having now drilled a total of 2000+ wells, with an average of 350 people per well, you can see that over 700,000 people have been blessed with good, clean water. Haiti has more than 10 million people, so you can see we've just gotten a good start!

Together, we all can make such a difference, and in so doing, be the hands and feet of Christ Himself.

As we look into this new year, let's remember what it says in Revelations 5:12—*“Worthy is the Lamb, Who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”* (NIV) Let's praise the One Who is worthy, the Lord Almighty, the King of kings, the Lord of lords!

~Leon

### — November 2020 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 9  
Hand Pumps Installed: 5  
People Served: approximately 1,750  
Hand Pumps Repaired: 26  
People Served: approximately 9,100  
WFL School Meals Served: 5,656 (half-month)