



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

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### Bearing Fruit and Making a Difference

*“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”*  
Ephesians 2:10

Each well drilled by Water for Life can be used daily by more than 350 people. So, when a well has been drilled a while ago, the pump must be maintained and sometimes even the base of the well must be re-done.

This is where our two repair teams come in, throughout the life of the well, to allow the population to continue to have access to water.

We share with you a little letter that we received following the repair of a well in the Gachelin area in the district of Aquin, not far from the Divine Help School. This well had been drilled in 2015. These are the words of one of the inhabitants of the area:

*“We thank Water For Life mission for the good work they are doing; thank you very much for the good work you are doing.”*



*“We hope that God blesses all of you within this mission so that it becomes greater day by day.”*

The testimony of Water for Life is a long-term one, and we believe that the work we pursue in the name of the Lord will continue to bear fruit and make a difference in the lives of many Haitians.

### Meet the Paswadòm Pump Team

As explained above, we have two pump installation and repair teams. Today we present to you the team located in Paswadòm composed of Alfred, Emmanuel and Amitès.

Last year, when fuel shortages and political and social troubles did not allow us to operate normally, they still repaired more than 400 pumps in four departments (states). We thank God for their dedication, and we pray for the resources to renew some of their equipment.

We also ask that you join your prayers with ours for the state of health of Emmanuel, who recently had a stroke which affected the use of his arm. He is now in the rehabilitation phase. May our Lord bless him with renewed strength!



### Divine Help School: An Opportunity for the Entire Community

In December 2022, classes began for this school year for the little students of Divine Help School.

Although classes were unable to begin in September as they ought to have—the same, unfortunately, as most schools in the country—we are grateful that classes have been able to run without interruption since the beginning of December. Glory to God for that!

While the security situation is dramatic in Port au Prince, in Paswadòm everything is calm and life goes on almost normally.

Admittedly, families are increasingly weakened by the high cost of living, but the school really remains a light in this community where children learn, play and eat as all children should be able to do at their age.

We recently received a request to integrate around thirty new students. Previously living in Port au Prince, they had to leave



where they lived because it became too dangerous and they came to settle in Paswadòm.

Here is the testimony of the person responsible for these children: “I came to visit the school unexpectedly. I was really well received by those in charge and what I saw made me happy. The children of the school learn in a benevolent environment which, it seems to me, promotes learning. It would be a blessing for the children for whom I am responsible to be able to join this school.”

We want to thank you dear sponsors, because it is thanks to your generosity that the Divine Help School can give this testimony. In a society where children are so undervalued, this school is a testimony to the concrete love of Christ, for the students, but also for the whole community in which they live.



### From Leon's Desk

Greetings of love to our wonderful friends!

So quickly the months come and go!! This month of June we especially remember and celebrate our fathers. I could write the whole newsletter about my dad and all the things he did and people he affected! But I will make it shorter. He did write a book about many of the things that happened in his life.

As a young man what drove my dad was to make money and that drove him to work hard. Not that it's a bad thing to work hard! But God had different plans for Dad than what he was doing at the time, and He used a heart attack to begin that change. At that time, Dad cried out to God and said, “God, if You let me live, I will serve You more faithfully!” God took him at his word, and He led him to help the Haitian people by drilling water wells in rural communities, using the partic-

### — Support WFL via Estate Planning —

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ular skills that God had given him. I give glory and honor to God for the plan he had for Dad's life, and how he used Dad to start Water For Life. I thank God that Dad was faithful in listening to God's Spirit. Although Dad is gone now I see that God had a plan all along for Water For Life to begin and to bless the Haitian people. And I am so glad that I can be a part of that plan. Thank you all so much for also being a big part of that plan! I am so humbled to think of all the people God uses to bless His work! And thank you also for your prayers. Please keep praying for Haiti and don't give up!

There continues to be so much trouble in Port au Prince and its suburbs and nearby towns.

I was talking with someone the other day about Haiti, and he commented that for all the help that Haiti has received from others, they are still fighting and corruption is still happening, so they're as bad off as they were 50 years ago so why keep helping there? Which was rather discouraging. I replied that regardless the communities that we provide water for don't like those things about their country either, but they're helpless to change that, and meanwhile people really need good clean water for drinking, bathing in, and so on! Such a basic thing as water. They tell us, Please help us to have good water to live and not to be sick.

I had to think of I Corinthians 13:4-7—*“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.”* (NIV)

So we'll keep on sharing God's love. Love does not delight in evil. Love never fails.

Once again, let's please keep praying for the people of Haiti, because I am sure that God has a plan for Haiti! Let us keep loving and do what God calls us to.

Thanks again!

~Leon

### — April 2023 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 7  
Hand Pumps Installed: 7  
People Served: approximately 2,450  
Hand Pumps Repaired: 64  
People Served: approximately 22,400  
WFL School Meals Served: 7,786

### — Attention! —

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