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With Thanksgiving

Dear supporters of Water For Life,

I'm Edy, executive director of Water for Life in Haiti. Let me introduce to you a friend who recently visited us here. Jethro called me in November 2024 on behalf of a community in Chantal to get some information about a dry well in that town. That well was not drilled by Water for Life. I shared some information with him that could help him understand the problem and find a solution. From that first conversation I felt his compassionate heart for the needy people and his humility. Right away phone numbers were exchanged, and we planned a face-to-face meeting in January. Since then, a Christ-honoring friendship was born, and a plan was made for Jethro to visit us in Haiti to volunteer and help us with social media. Below is a message from him: _____

During the month of September, I had the opportunity to visit Water for Life in Les Cayes, and if I had to sum up my trip in one word, it would be "hospitality."



From the moment I arrived, I felt a strong sense of welcome, as if I were right at home. Whether it was the gatekeepers, lawn workers, mechanics, or the project manager, everyone made me feel welcome. This hospitality radiates Christ's love and kindness, reflecting Water for Life's vision to demonstrate His love.

Beyond the clean water that the organization brings to Haiti, the way the staff counseled and interacted with members of the community spoke volumes. I realized that Water for Life is not only about providing water (good deeds), but about treating people with love and dignity. This type of treatment touches the soul and reaches the deepest parts of the heart, far beyond what material aid can accomplish. Manifesting love to the locals is a powerful testimony and witness.

Whatever Water for Life is doing in Haiti, please continue to care for and love the Haitian nation. The Father is pleased with this.

With Thanksgiving, Jethro

New Wells in Saint Louis du Sud

These last weeks, thanks to your support, three new wells were drilled and pumps installed in the area around Saint Louis du Sud. We estimate that in those three communities, more than 1000 people will now have access to good water!

The following is the testimony of one of the beneficiaries of these projects: _____

Greetings! My name is Guirlène Admé, and I live in an area called Duverdin in the town of Saint Louis du Sud.

I had great difficulty getting water; I had to go very far, so far that on the road the water became very hot because of the sun beating down on it. If we got thirsty on the way, even



drinking at that point was difficult because the water was very hot.

This well is almost as if we are receiving the coming of the Savior Jesus Christ to the area because it brings us so much joy. Now, I can really have all the water I need for me and my family close to home, for drinking, washing, cooking and for bathing.

Many thanks because if we had to pay to get this well, we would never have been able to afford it ourselves.

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Life-Changing Support

In September 2023, for the first time, we started an after-school support program with around fifty young students from Charrier, the village close to where the Water for Life compound is located.

We are thrilled to announce that one of those students who took the official 9th grade exams this year has achieved remarkable success in this exam, thanks to the dedication and support of our after-school program. Our program provides students with extra help and guidance they can't find at home to excel academically. We are proud to see that their hard work has paid off as they make the move from junior high school to high school.

We want to express our gratitude to our prayer partners, who have been instrumental in providing spiritual guidance and



support to our students throughout their academic journey. Their prayers and encouragement have been a source of strength for our students.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you also to our generous donors, whose contributions have helped to make our after-school program a success. Your support has enabled us to provide our students with the resources and tools they need to thrive academically and reach their full potential. It is thanks to your generosity that we have been able to have a positive impact on the lives of so many students, and we are truly grateful for your continued support.



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From Leon's Desk

Greetings to all our wonderful friends! Joy and I just got back from a short trip to Haiti! It was wonderful to once again see our team face to face, to pray together and study the Bible together, and to work together! With the way Haiti is, in such devastation, we need to keep praying for them and asking God to keep them from discouragement.

They are doing well. They told me of times they had shared God's love, both through words and through their actions.

I believe you are faithful in praying for Water For Life. Your prayers and support are very much appreciated! We currently have two containers that need to get to Haiti. Unfortunately, the port in Haiti is closed at this time, and the containers are sitting in a port in the Dominican Republic waiting till they can be delivered, get through the customs process and get safely shipped out to our place. Nothing is easy in Haiti!

In great contrast, here in the USA the harvest season is already at its end. Thinking of gardens that have produced food to be stored for the winter and fields that produce food also for later use, my heart wells up in praise once again to our God Who created such a world that demonstrates His watch-care over us, His tender heart! Does it mean He loves the people of Haiti less than us? NO! But I do believe that God gives us opportunities to share with our neighbors near and far and so to demonstrate His compassionate heart.

We have drilled so many wells over the past 40 years—almost 2,500! Most of them have handpumps on them, and are pumped for hours every day, which means maintenance and repairs are necessary from time to time. The majority of them are not along nice smooth roads! We have had two repair trucks to get this job done, but they are no longer enough to do the job. So, we need to invest in another service truck. It's important that we keep the pumps in working condition; otherwise, it's as though the well was never drilled. Whatever you could help with that project would be very much appreciated! **Someone will donate \$20,000, but he challenged me to find donors to match that.** Having good, working trucks is important to the task. **We are SO very thankful for your gifts of love over the years for the work in Haiti.**

I pray you have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your loved ones. May God continue to bless and keep you.

~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.

— September 2024 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 3
Hand Pumps Installed: 8
People Served: approximately 2,800
Hand Pumps Repaired: 46
People Served: approximately 16,100