

Water Missions International

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Safe water in Liberia.

Dear Ms. Floess,

To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.

(Rev 21:6b NIV)

It's easy to go about our day taking safe water for granted. But for 1.8 billion people around the world, daily routine, even daily survival, revolves around accessing safe water.

From families displaced by massive flooding in Malawi to children in Honduras attending a school with no running water, the global water crisis is real and just beyond our horizon. Not just an inconvenience, lack of safe water is the difference between health and malaise, progress and struggle, life and death.

Each day, **nearly 20,000 people die** of water-borne illness and the consequences of water-related disasters.

But it doesn't have to be that way. With your help, Water Missions has made safe water a reality for more than 2.5 million people; served 700,000 people in disaster situations; and installed 17,000 Healthy Latrines™ that restored dignity for those who lacked basic sanitation. Working alongside communities, we've designed and implemented safe water solutions that last. All that has made transformational change possible!

You can help make a lasting impact for people who lack the most basic needs.

Your support enables Water Missions to serve in three powerful ways: by providing immediate, life-saving relief to those in the midst of disaster, by implementing sustainable community-driven safe water solutions, and by providing systems that empower institutions such as hospitals, schools, and orphanages, allowing them to amplify their work.

The 2015 operating plan includes completion of 112 projects. But there are still 49 projects that are approved and not currently funded. Those projects will bring 124,860 people safe water and hope. That's why we are inviting you to partner with us.

You can be assured that your support will have significant impact.

- ◆ Water Missions' community development model has built relationships, inspired cooperation, and created financially stable community committees that keep the safe water flowing.

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- ◆ We've "trained the trainers" to institute WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) practices in each project, promoting better health habits.
- ◆ By partnering with pastors and churches, we have brought the Living Water message of Jesus Christ to those we serve.
- ◆ As shown in dozens of disaster response efforts, Water Missions is one of the first on the ground to bring relief, providing safe water that eases the burden of suffering people and wards off the threat of cholera and other water-borne diseases.
- ◆ When other relief agencies have pulled out, Water Missions has remained to transition emergency relief to long-term safe water solutions for rebuilding communities.

Our engineer on the ground in Liberia provides one real time example of this.

Emily has been in Liberia since November, implementing safe water in clinics and hospitals struggling to treat and contain the Ebola virus. Emily worked with local partners to provide safe water to communities terrified of the deadly disease. After causing nearly 10,000 recorded deaths, Ebola rates are decreasing and spirits are lifting in West Africa, as schools reopen. Students are now greeted at the door with hand washing stations and instruction.

"It took the Ebola outbreak to bring hand washing into schools," reports Emily.


Emily's work continues in Liberia as she coordinates WASH training and offers comfort to survivors through Christian youth outreach. Often survivors face a difficult time reintegrating into a hesitant community and Emily and our ministry partners are there to help. Water Missions' commitment to the people of Liberia doesn't end with the last case of Ebola.

"We are working to transition our water treatment systems to community-managed models," said Emily, ***"Water Missions is here for the long-term."***

Water Missions' long-term commitment to making safe water a reality is transforming lives in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

Please prayerfully consider joining us in making a lasting difference.

Blessings,



Molly Greene
Chairman and Co-founder



Emily installing a chlorinator at a clinic.

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Water Missions International is honored to hold Charity Navigator's top rating for the eighth consecutive year, a distinction only shared by one percent of charities rated by the organization. Additionally WMI is a member in excellent standing with the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability and their Standards for Responsible Stewardship.

