

WATER:

Water in Africa Through Everyday Responsiveness



Support Safe Drinking Water in Ghana

Water Situation in Ghana

- Only 60% of Ghanaians have access to safe drinking water
- 9 million people lack clean water



Clean Water is Life

Less water-borne
disease

Better hygiene, including
hand-washing



**Safe, close
water source**



Shorter time to fetch water for
girls and women

WATER's History

- Started in 2006
- So far, drilled 29 boreholes mostly in northern Ghana



- **Implementing Partners:**
Catholic Relief Services, Ghana Health Service, The Carter Center's Guinea Worm Eradication Program, District Water & Sanitation Teams, UNICEF, World Vision, Church of Christ
- **Funding Partners Include:**
Sahara Oil, Life Teen

Successful & Sustainable Projects

- Catholic Relief Services leverages WATER projects with other community programs:
 - School Health Education Programs
 - Maternal and Child Health Clinics
 - Savings and Internal Lending
- 29 wells continue working and provide water for thousands of people



“When You Saw Me Thirsty...”

- Christ calls us to reach out together to serve our brothers and sisters around the world
- “Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.”



The Gift of Safe Drinking Water

- Your donation helps provide a village:
 - A close, safe drinking water source
 - Trainings for local Water and Sanitation Committee
 - Village ownership

Clean and make small repairs to borehole,
Collect fees for future well repairs and improvements,
Teach community members about sanitation & hygiene



What Can You Do?

- Host a Bake Sale at Church or School
- Organize a Car Wash at Church or School
- Write Letters to Your Family and Friends
- Ask Your Parents to Talk to Their Co-workers
- Be Creative!



\$42 Provides Someone
a Sustainable, Clean
Water Source



After Sept. 26th “Give it Away Now”

- It doesn't stop here!
- We want a continued partnership with you for years to come
- Your Life Teen community can make a difference for many people's lives
- St. John Vianney in Kirkland, WA has raised over \$100 Thousand in the last 4 years
- Mary Queen of Peace in Sammamish, WA has raised nearly \$50 Thousand
- Let us work together toward global solidarity and a more just and humane world
- Visit our website: www.waterinafrica.org



Leading Teens Closer to Christ



*“Christ has no body
but yours,
No hands, no feet on
earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with
which he looks
Compassion on this
world.”*

– St. Teresa of Avila

Suggested Presentation Ideas:

- Have the youth brainstorm what they use water for (drinking, preparing food, bathing, washing dishes, doing laundry, flushing the toilet, watering plants etc)
- Have your youth practice carrying water around the room to understand what it would be like to walk for hours everyday

Many Thanks

- For your participation with 2010 Give it Away Now
- For a longer term relationship with WATER
 - **WATER is 100% volunteers**
 - To raise money
 - To implement projects
 - This is a key reason we were selected by Lifeteen
- **Without Your Help and the Help of Volunteers We Have Nothing**