

RYDBECK RIPPLES

Sharing the living water.



Enabling Communities to improve spiritual and physical health through Life-Giving Water

I provide water [to] drink to my people, ...that they may proclaim my praise. Jehovah—Isaiah 43:20-21

Ministry Update

Six hundred families received clean water this year!

Imagine your water system being wiped out by a huge landslide! The 200 families in Guantul lost their water supply in early March when severe rainfall caused a destructive landslide that swept away the spring supplying their pumped water system. Although the municipal government sent water tank trucks every other day to supply the community, many homes are a long distance from the road, so people carried water over the mountainside.

Life Giving Water Int'l alongside *Kawsaypak Yaku*, our indigenous mission partner, responded by helping the community build a new spring protection structure and build an additional pump station to pump water up to their existing pump station. Since early July, the Guantul families receive clean spring water at each home.

We are also helping the community to re-forest the area above the ravine where the spring is located to improve the stability of the mountainside. Life Giving Water International and German donors enable us to respond to urgent needs like this.

The people in Guantul paid for the majority of the materials and provided the manual labor.

The 105 families in the community of **El Rosario** had lots of water, but up until now, the water source was unprotected and the distribution system painfully inadequate. Muddy surface runoff mixed with clean spring water when it rained. Families carried water to their homes.



(above) The families in Guantul worked industriously on near vertical slopes to rehabilitate their water system after the landslide.

(below) The woman on the right shows off her new spigot in El Rosario to Martin & Julia Henrich and their three children.

Now, they enjoy crystal clear spring water conveniently received at each home 24/7, rain or shine. Each family worked more than 30 days to build the water system and contributed substantially to cover the costs. *Kawsaypak Yaku*, provided the design and overall supervision. German donors, LGWI donors, and the local municipality provided materials and covered some of the other costs. A church in Riobamba provides activities and Bible classes for the children in El Rosario.

The 300 families in the neighboring communities of **Ulpan** and **Achin** saw the results in El Rosario and asked for help to improve their water source. In one week, with our help they protected their springs, correcting more than 30 years of muddy water problems.

We rejoice in these accomplishments providing clean accessible drinking water giving testimony to the concern and compassion of our LORD Jesus Christ.





(left) The community of Guayllabamba El Rosario celebrated the completion of their water system. The mayor of Chambo, the local municipality, joined for the festivities.



Julia Henrich (right) our co-worker, led the VBS in Sanancahuan. More than 30 children attended.

Happenings

- Thank you to all who prayed and provided meals, housing, and helped us during Cherith's recovery after a total knee replacement in Cambridge, MA. She is experiencing nerve pain in her leg since the surgery 3 1/2 months ago. We appreciate your prayers for full recovery.
- A team of three professors and seven students from Calvin College Clean Water Institute reviewed our work in water disinfection and installed additional chlorination equipment during the last two weeks of May.
- Liam, Victoria, and Emma, interned with us this summer making valuable contributions to the on-going ministry. We are grateful for their skills, enthusiasm, and fellowship in the work.
- Chris and Samantha Visscher and their four children from California, recently joined the team to serve alongside Kawsaypak Yaku. Chris contributes his engineering skills for the design of water systems.
- A team of four men from Grace Chapel, in Lexington Massachusetts, worked with us for a week in early July, in the community of Sanancahuan Grande and helped with a vacation Bible school for the children.

Thank you for making a difference through prayer and giving.

***Gratefully,
Bruce & Cherith***



Together with the Grace Chapel team and the 120 families in Sanancahuan, we began digging the 5 miles of 4-foot-deep pipe trench.

Since 1980, Bruce & Cherith serve as mission volunteers. Bruce provides civil engineering and leadership skills. Cherith counsels, disciples, and teaches seminars. Currently living in Ecuador, they work alongside **Kawsaypak Yaku**, a Kichwa mission organization, helping rural communities to successfully build, improve, and maintain a potable water supply.

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