

Fall 2018

Bruce & Cherith Rydbeck

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Sharing the living water.



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

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove.

Hymn—Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken, John Newton

Achieving Sustaining Benefits of Better Health !

Life Giving Water International comes alongside communities who recognize their need for accessible, clean water and demonstrate willingness to take strong ownership of the water system. We respond to communities which:

- Request our help
- Show leadership required to build and maintain the water system.
- Take responsibility for legal aspects of the project.
- Agree to participate in health and hygiene classes which provide continuing learning about physical and spiritual health.
- Commit to providing the manual labor and about \$100 per family for local materials and supervision costs.



(above) People in the Galtes communities work on their water system.

Donors, and in some cases Ecuadorian government, cover remaining costs. Communities join us in praying that God provide for their need, knowing that He responds when needy people cry out to Him for water (Isaiah 41:17).

Over the past 28 years, most of the hundreds of communities whom we have helped continue to benefit from clean accessible water to each home, 24/7.

So far this year, our team has helped 1500 families. We have enabled community water systems for Calahuasig, Ulpan-Ainche, and San Bartolo; protected springs for Galtes and San Vicent-San Jacinto; and completed design for five water systems.

Spiritual health and physical health are closely linked. The LORD desires his people to benefit from clean, accessible water as well as His Presence, the Holy Spirit. God's design for life and building water systems connects us with long-term success.



Adults in Galtes did not want to miss out on the VBS program for the children. Everyone enthusiastically participated in singing, crafts, games, and listening to Bible stories.

Happenings

• **Give a cup of clean water in Jesus name** (Matthew 10:42) while shopping at Amazon! Purchases made through **Smile.Amazon** provide a small contribution to LGWI by logging in via [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and choosing *Life Giving Water International* as the charity of choice.

• In October, we spoke at *Calvin College* to the *Engineering Unlimited* group and met with a number of friends of the ministry in Michigan, Colorado, and Massachusetts. We also met with the *Life Giving Water International* board.

• Bruce is preparing a technical paper with the *Calvin College Clean Water Institute*, on Chlorine disinfection for rural Ecuadorian community water systems to be presented at the *International Perspectives on Water and the Environment* in Cartagena, Colombia in December.

• Cherith will lead a workshop on inner wholeness for Corrientes participants on November 24th. Corrientes prepares Latin Americans for global ministry.



Bruce's mother stepped into eternity in September at the age of 93. She faithfully prayed and encouraged us. We greatly miss her.



Our expatriate team members, (l to r) Martin & Julia Henrich, Bruce & Cherith, Chris & Samantha Visscher. We dressed in Kichwa garb for the San Bartolo dedication. Cesar & Nancy Cortez are not shown.

Thank you for making a difference through clean water. We are grateful for the privilege of serving in the name of Jesus.

**Thankful and blessed,
Bruce & Cherith**

Eight people from R-Athletics, Grand Rapids, MI, joined us for ministry in Galtes in August. The children loved playing with John & Rachel Rydbeck, our niece and nephew. Thanks to Renee Deckrow who provided pictures for this newsletter.



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

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\$120 per home needed for 583 families in Galtes regional water system project

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