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Bruce & Cherith Rydbeck

# RYDBECK RIPPLES

Sharing the living water.



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

*Flow, river, flow - Flood the nations with grace and mercy — Shine Jesus Shine by Graham Kendrick (Ezekiel 47)*

## Achieving Sustaining Benefits of Clean Water!

*Life Giving Water International*, partnering with *Kawsaypak Yaku*, served more than 15 communities this past year. We helped with spring protection, pump station rebuilding, water system design, chlorination disinfection, health & hygiene classes, training, and construction of water systems. This year, we are helping many more communities. What a wonderful privilege we have to give a cup of clean water in the name of Jesus!



(above) The communities of San Vicente and San Jacinto protected their spring in June. They are currently building the distribution system providing crystal clear water to each of their 156 homes.



Photo credit: Martin Harrison

### World Water Day

On March 22<sup>th</sup>, we remember that 2.1 billion people still lack reliable clean water at their homes. You can make a difference by donating to *Life Giving Water International* at [lgwi.org](http://lgwi.org)



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This Kichwa girl participated with hundreds of children and adults who came to Vacation Bible school events in the Galtes communities. Protection of their springs and the design work was completed in 2018. The 582 families build their water distribution this year.



(left) The community of Calahuasig Grande added three additional tanks and additional pipes to improve the operation of their water system. A team from Alaska worked with them and provided Vacation Bible School events for families.



## Happenings

• *Kawsaypaku Yaku* helps communities plant trees to reduce erosion and protect their springs. Last year, communities planted 2000 trees.

• After Christmas, Bruce broke a bone in his left hand due to a fall while biking. We are grateful for the good medical help he received. The cast on his hand did not deter him from working.

• Together with Sarah Bradley, a LGWI volunteer engineer, Bruce presented a technical paper on Chlorine disinfection for rural Ecuadorian community water systems at the *International Perspectives on Water and the Environment* in Cartagena, Colombia, in December.

• **Give a cup of clean water in Jesus name** (Matthew 10:42) while shopping at Amazon! Purchases made through **Smile.Amazon** provide a 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.



*We celebrated Christmas with friends from Iran, Indonesia, China, and Korea, as well as with Cherith's sister, Jeannine, from Colombia. Our five Iranian friends celebrated Christmas for the first time.*



*(left) Leidy, a Colombian water professional, and Nicolai, a German mechanical engineer served with us in January. Nicolai returns to Germany in March. Leidy plans to return to Ecuador in June, after raising her prayer and financial support for a year of training and serving with us.*



*Indigenous women from Maria Guadalupe perform with native musical instruments during their inaugural event for the water system serving 130 families.*

***Our thanks to each of you who pray and give to make  
Life Giving Water a reality in these communities.***

***Gratefully,  
Bruce & Cherith***

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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### **Send Project Donations to:**

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Volunteers and interns needed to help implement projects and media communications

\$200 per home needed to implement the Yacupamba water system serving 75 families

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