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Sharing the living water.



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

"If you are thirsty, come to me and drink! ...and you will have life-giving water flowing from deep inside you, just as the Scriptures say." Jesus - John 7

Life Giving Water Continues to Flow

Tropical rains subsided in western Ecuador allowing the community of San Vicente to finish building their water system. Last summer, the Visscher family and summer interns provided a VBS event for the children. The adults insisted on being included. People thirst for the Word of God.

Preparing others in successful clean water ministry is one of the goals of *Life Giving Water International*. The last week of March, Bruce and the team invited a partner organization to participate and learn improved spring protection techniques in the community of Yacupamba. The 80 families living in this community, nestled in the rugged terrain of the Andes mountains, anticipate completing the remaining water distribution system this year.

Life Giving Water International built water use improvements for the *For His Children* orphanage in Latacunga, this Spring. Abandoned babies receive TLC until they can be adopted, though many special needs children live long-term in this home. Bruce and Cherith served on the Ecuadorian board for 20 years.



In May, the Calvin College - Engineering Unlimited team came for a drone survey and prepared a geo-referenced digital model of the Ulpán/Ainche water system completed last year, serving 300 families. Julie and Mitchell Fera, engineers from Grand Rapids, MI, who serve as technical advisors for LGWI, spearheaded the work. Chris Visscher, Cesar Cortez, and Bruce led the team.



The people in Yacupamba hauled tons of washed gravel into the mountains and mixed concrete to protect their springs in this deep ravine. Clean water now flows to the community.



The For His Children staff enjoy a special event with the children who affectionately call them aunt and uncle.

Happenings

•In June, we began our 40th year as mission volunteers and celebrate our 46th wedding anniversary. Little did we realize that hot day, June 9, 1973, all the adventures ahead.

•Martin Grimley, who came to Ecuador with the Calvin team, continues to serve this summer as a civil engineering intern.

•**Give a cup of clean water in Jesus name** shopping online! Purchases through **Smile.Amazon** contribute 0.5% to LGWI by logging in to [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and choosing *Life Giving Water International Inc.* as the charity of choice.



Long-time friends (above) joined many new friends for a Lenten Bible study on the Passion of Jesus, which Cherith led during March and April. The women expressed how deeply they were impacted through studying the Word of God using the inductive, interactive method. (below) We celebrated with friends eating fanesca, a traditional dish made with a variety of grains and served with dried codfish, fried plantains, hard boiled eggs, fried dough, and empanadas, during Holy Week.



Our team of mission volunteers living in Riobamba and Quito, meets quarterly for prayer, encouragement, and planning. The team includes (from left to right) Chris & Samantha Visscher, Martin & Julia Henrich, Cesar & Nancy Cortez, and Bruce & Cherith.



***Thank you to those who pray and give to make
Life Giving Water a reality in these communities.***

Gratefully,

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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Volunteers and interns needed to help implement projects and media communications

\$200 per home needed to implement the Yacupamba water system serving 80 families

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