

RYDBECK RIPPLES

Sharing the living water.



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

the Lamb ... will lead them to springs of living water. Revelation 17:7

Life Giving Water International's vision ...

Enables communities

- Our team completed water systems with the communities of *Guaratíco* for 87 families in December and *Producción Agrícola* (78 families) in March.
- Chacabamba Quishuar, a community of 45 families currently rebuilds their spring protection and pumping facilities with the support and technical supervision of the LGWI team.
- Construction begins this year for community water systems in Suscal (84 families), and San Antonio de Quito (250 families).
- Design by our engineers continues for the communities of Azama (310 families) in northern Ecuador, Santacruz (120 families), and San Isidro de Chipo (100 families).



Chris Visscher (far right) and Bruce (second from right) review improvements needed to the Santacruz spring.

Chris, a civil engineer, represents LGWI in Ecuador.

Enables National Ministries

- In January, *Life Giving Water* sponsored a workshop on holistic theology for Ecuador staff to uphold a biblical focus. Bruce participated in the workshop led by César Cortez, a pastor/engineer on our team. We plan additional workshops.
- Bruce advises water ministry organizations and serves on the Ecuadorian board of *Engineers in Action*. The *Life Giving Water International* team oversees spring protection for two *Engineers without Borders* community projects this year.
- We plan to collaborate in water development with Guatemalan and Bolivian Christian ministries.

Prepares young professionals

- Bruce recruits interns, interviews candidates at virtual career fairs, and assists candidates in the application process. This summer he anticipates joining LGWI Ecuador staff to train two or three interns in Christ-centered community development water ministry.
- We collaborate with an Ecuadorian university and two in the U.S., enlisting young professionals to study important aspects of sustainable Andean rural water supply.

Happenings

- During our November trip to Ecuador, we enjoyed visits with a few dear friends and the opportunity to visit, mentor, and pray with several people. Cherith met requirements to keep her visa current.
- During the Christmas season we had the joy of seeing each of our children and grandchildren at different times. We look forward to all being together in April to celebrate Cherith's 70th birthday.
- Once a month, when food is distributed to needy families on our church grounds, Cherith prays for people as they wait in line. Latin Americans appreciate communication and prayer in their native tongue.
- In January, Bruce met with staff in Ecuador and he returns again in April. We are grateful to now have our COVID-19 vaccinations.
- World Water Day, March 22nd, recognizes the global need for safe accessible water. Less than 60% of the world's population has water piped to their home. The number of deaths due to diarrhea in 2020 closely compares to the number of COVID mortalities. We are grateful for the opportunity to respond to this important need for clean water in the name of Jesus.



Granddaughter Zoey (10) and her family celebrated New Years' Day with us. Our son Joel, moved with his family to central Florida from Santiago, Chile, last summer.



March eruptions of Volcano Sangay enveloped Riobamba in a dark ash cloud. Streetlights lit and vehicles used headlights to navigate the darkness during daylight hours.

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Thank you for your prayer and giving to make this ministry possible.

Bruce & Cherith

Since 1980, Bruce and Cherith serve as mission volunteers. As director of *Life Giving Water International*, Bruce prepares others to serve in Christ-centered sustainable community development water ministry. They advise and support the ministry of *Kawsaypak Yaku*, a Kichwa Christian ministry in Ecuador, helping rural communities to successfully design, build, improve, and maintain potable water supplies. Cherith serves Life Giving Water in various roles - praying, counseling, teaching seminars and educational consultant.

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Volunteers and interns are needed to help design & implement projects and prepare media communications.

\$400 per home is needed to build the Santacruz water system.

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