

# The Water Log



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## *Water Purification Around the World*

## *From La Paz*

### *From Pakistan*

I have attached a picture (second from left above) of myself teaching a Pakistan Pastor, Shafqut, how to use the CPU. I am also including a photo to show the water many are drinking. The tent city in the picture is typical of the living conditions of many Pakistan people. Of course you know it is a country where Christians are persecuted, yet many of the churches install loud speakers on their roofs to broadcast the gospel to the entire area. We need to pray for these people, the Christians are completely ignored and persecuted. No help with education and medical. I would like to find churches to help them.

Hal Nichols, Pastor, True Faith Ministries

### *An Unsolicited Letter*

from the director of the health department in Ocotol, Nicaragua

**G**reetings and thank you for your support with the donations of equipment to manufacture chlorine. This is a huge benefit to the people and also to the health department and I want to say we appreciate all the brothers and sisters that make it possible to have this equipment in the communities. Thank you and may God bless you always. I am always at your service.

A few weeks ago we were visiting a family in a small village (La Paz) where we have been working with children for several years now. They shared with us that their source of clean drinking water had been cut off. (That source of water was 3 miles away at a gas station.) We told them about Greg Stout's Chlorine unit. They were extremely interested.

The next day we returned and demonstrated how easy and inexpensive it was to make chlorine with the CPU unit. We added the chlorine to three five gallon pails of contaminated water and waited a few hours for the chlorine to work.

They were thrilled when they discovered that the water had no taste whatsoever of chlorine. One man said "This is a miracle. God knew about our problem and He knew you had this machine. We have been blessed." They then invited their neighbors to share the miracle.

The CPU is a miracle. Thank you for allowing us to share in the blessing of seeing a miracle that day.

*Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. Lam. 3:22*

Bill Ryan

## Uganda and Kenya

Sitting here trying to think of how the Lord will want me to share what HE is doing in Kenya and Uganda. As I recall, the year was 2007 when I first received an email from Greg Stout that forwarded a message from someone in Kenya asking SWIM to come and help. I remember how the Lord had put it heavy on my heart to go. In October, 2007, I and Gary Badgett traveled to Kenya carrying six CPU's. It was on that trip that I met Pastors Morrice (Morris) Okiring and Dickson Mutoka, two men that God would use to continue the ministry of SWIM and Chlorine production along with outreach and teaching ministry and Bible distribution in Kenya. Also on that first trip to Kenya, the Lord introduced us to Dismas Bwire of Uganda. All these men were to be used by the Lord to further the work of His Kingdom and the ministry of SWIM in East Africa.

Gary Badgett, David Spencer and Morrice Okiring



The work would continue in February, 2009, when once again Gary Badgett and I returned to Kenya and also to visit Dismas in Uganda. On this trip, my daughter, Summer Spencer, also made the trek with us. We carried 18 CPU's with six going into Uganda and the balance in Kenya. IN Uganda, we visited Dismas Bwire and met the children tht he has taken in at Mt. Zion Children's Home. We gave a CPU to the home and did CPU training and chlorine teaching there. The orphans at Mt. Zion have now experienced the benefits of chlorine. They can testify that they feel much better and how the dysentery has greatly diminished. I continue to visit the orphans at Mt. Zion when I can and support them financially.

Also in 2009, we revisited the community of Apatit, Kenya, where we first met Morrice Okiring. The church at Apatit where Morrice was teaching was at about 35 people on our first visit. On this visit we learned of how the CPU and chlorine ministry was being used by the Lord to grow the church to more than 70 people. The church at Apatit produces nearly 100 liters of chlorine per week. They have used this outreach to those around them. Today this church in rural mountainous Kenya has more than 100 people. They were plagued with typhoid and now say that it has been taken out of Apatit. If anyone is suffering from typhoid there it is because they are not using chlorine.



58 people baptized in Lake Victoria, Uganda



Water resources visited in Sudan, site of future plans

This ministry is not about chlorine or the CPU or SWIM or David Spencer, but it is about sharing the love of God with people and pointing them toward Jesus and the salvation that is only in HIM. The Lord has allowed me to return to Kenya and Uganda and continue this work in 2011 and 2012. God put on my heart a " plan" for ministry in East Africa. I will share more in the next Waterlog.

nJesus, David Spencer

### ***From Liberia***

Here is communication from Liberia. SWIM connected Rev. Snyder in Liberia and Hal Nichols. Michael has been fund raising at his Michaels Monday Night Meals for two of our local young people. They will be joining Hal on a mission trip to Liberia in April. Check out the final comment on their use of the CPUs! Here is a Facebook link to the work that has resulted. Praise The Lord!

<http://www.facebook.com/BomiLiberiaRescueOrphanage>

Rev. David Snyder-

*"Praise the Lord,... I want to thank you very much!! Yes, we are expecting the team come April and I will appreciate you to come in the future. Things have improved greatly in Liberia and guess what, we are using the chlorine units right now!!"*

### **From Uganda**

As in the other mission trips many lives were changed, by receiving Jesus as Savior, safe drinking water, food, clothing, and medical attention from a loving, caring group of short term missionaries. Thanks to all of you for your part.

We know of at least 40+ men and women that gave their lives to Jesus. Hundreds of salvation tracts in the Uganda language were passed out in jails, prisons, medical outreach ministries, and those we came in contact with. Only God will know the results of this work. 13 water systems were installed giving safe water about 5000

people. With the help of Michael, we were able to find water well drilling sites for many missionary organizations. Our team treated about 2000 people for medical issues that have no other way of being treated.



### **From Linda Compound, Lusaka, Zambia**

The river water had large forms of both e-coli and coliform. While there are some residents who will not drink directly from this river water ( Figure 3 & 4), many still do wash their dishes with it or take baths in them, putting them severely at risk.

Equipped with the SWIM CPU(Chlorine Production Unit), within the first week, Bianca and I were able to demonstrate to the LOH staff the usage of the CPU. It was very difficult coming across a battery or even a car battery unfortunately at the initial stage as the only battery available was always in use, and the only car in the area (vehicles are quite sparse Linda) was a taxi driver who used the vehicle most of the day. However by week 6, three caregivers on the LOH staff were trained efficiently how to use the system. Salt was readily available as well, given the small amount of salt that was needed to create 16 oz of strong chlorine. The CPU unit was welcomed by the staff as they found this machine much more efficient as well as less time consuming.



## **From India**

Mr. Amos was a Loco pilot in the Indian railways. He just retired 3 months back. He has conducted many gospel meetings and outreach ministries when he was in the service. He has a passion to serve God among the poor and thirsty people. Now he is using CPUs to present the love of Christ.



First he practiced in his house. He is producing as much chlorine as needed for his personal use and for his neighbors.

He is excited to present the living water which Christ gives us, along with the safe chlorinated water.



Mr. Amos conducted his first mission trip along with me. We were really blessed with that. We got the opportunity to demonstrate CPUs, we presented CPUs to a few influential people, and we shared the gospel to many individuals and to the group of people. We distributed bibles and clothes. We got the opportunity to sit with many individuals and listen to their problems. We counseled them, encouraged them with the word,

and prayed for them.

We visited many churches and got the opportunity to present CPUs and share the word of God. CPU is a tool for every believer to share the word of God. By using CPUs one can present the love of Christ through a way of life.



Give all glory to God. Amen

## **From Sudan (far right picture - front page)**

It was a great trip thanks. The chlorination units worked great and were so easy to teach the people. They are now working every day cleaning the water and taking the solutions from house to house to purify the water. Now they will have clean water and life will be a bit easier as far as water-borne diseases. Thanks for having such a simply technology that just changed the lives of an entire village!!!! This is such a huge blessing, I am hoping to link up with more people and take more in the future.

Blessings, Tammy

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**September, 2013**

I'm happy to welcome you to our new improved Waterlog! Thanks to some much needed help from Randy Moffit, we are now able to share more of what is happening in other areas of SWIM than just the news from Nicaragua and the Stouts. We hope this will present a much more complete picture of how God has been blessing this ministry. We also hope to expand the readership, so if you have anyone that would like to receive this quarterly newsletter, electronically or by mail, please let us know.

In our last letter I wrote about the beginning construction of the church building in Piedra Larga. I'm thrilled to report that it's at the stage now where they can use it to worship our Savior. With the help of some visitors from Arizona we recently installed lights, inside coating on the walls, and ironwork on the doors and windows. They still lack a concrete floor, entrance steps, and a finish on the outside walls in case anyone desires to contribute, but they are very happy and praising the Lord with what they have so far.

Piedra Larga Church



Disinfecting rural drinking water, which is still our main work, continues to keep us very busy. We are now installing a lot of chlorine injection systems, which is something fairly new for us. It's not only important to make and have chlorine to disinfect their water, but being able to mix it directly into their water system tubing at the correct amount (if they have tubing), makes a much more sustainable, professional form that they'll use for years. They especially like our method of using only gravity. That seems to be the only force we can count on to be constant here. The electricity and internet comes

and goes. During the writing of this page, it went off 4 times, but I'm thankful we have it the majority of the time.

Our larger automated chlorination units are also becoming more in demand. We just finished installing one in a community of 1,000 people 35 miles south, and we did another last month for a hospital 3 hours northeast of us. Although fairly small, the hospital services a very large area. The 106 people on staff have an average of 750 patients a day that pass through. We know the chlorine produced will be in demand for water disinfection, cleaning purposes, and distribution among surrounding villages. These large systems are much more time consuming and costly. Please pray with us for wisdom in where they should be installed and continued funding for them in the future.

Another stress inducer this summer was getting our residency cards renewed and our Nica driver's licenses. This is not something for the faint of heart to attempt without first praying for patience and humility. We've paid several fees, completed paperwork, given blood, taken tests, made lot of trips, and now we wait to see if everything will be approved. People in the US take for granted how nice it is to have structured processes, offices that receive phone calls, and mail service.



In a few weeks we will have some special visitors from Iowa visiting. They are special because they are going to house sit for us and give Vickie and I a long overdue chance to get away for awhile. (Can't wait!) We're praying this type of arrangement might work so that we can both go to the states together in the future. I'm behind at speaking in some supporting churches and it's next to impossible for us to leave at the same time. Plus, it would really be enjoyable to do something for a few days that doesn't involve SWIM. We love what we do, but an escape from it occasionally would be marvelous!

For those of you that have taken interest in some of our "side projects", I'll give you some quick updates. In Guaseyuca, Pastor Isacio is doing feeding centers for needy children in 3 areas now and his church has doubled in membership. His son Isaac just finished a very nice CD of original music as a praise offering to God. In Codega, the Christian school is doing well, in spite of the constant financial struggles. Their band has been invited to play in several parades next month during the country's independence day's celebrations. This drum band is a great source of pride and motivation for the students and teachers. I was blessed to be able to help them repair and recover all 25 instruments. The school still has their feeding center operating too. And lastly, we are both healthy and still very active in our little neighborhood church and school, doing whatever Jesus puts on our heart to do to help.



Once again, thanks for all your prayers, support, and encouragement that keeps this ministry alive and serving. Please feel free to contact us anytime on SKYPE or Facebook.

*Greg & Vickie*

Greg & Vickie Stout



**Romans 15:4** For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

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*Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure **water**.*

*Hebrews 10:21-23*