

Life Wells Foundation (LWF) 2017 Update

Christmas is a busy and giving time here in the USA. Special meals are being planned. Decorations are going up. Presents are being wrapped.

But there is also a feeling of peace as we anticipate the most joyous part of this holiday celebration: Sharing hope with the hurting people in our care.

We all try our best to give love and wish everyone on our planet happiness wherever they live. Since I retired, I have tried tirelessly *to improve the lives of all Ethiopians by bringing safe, clean water sources to remote villages, and ultimately to other parts of Africa.*

However, the uprising in the country has put a brake on my progress. Travelling to the region where the projects will be implemented have not been safe since October 2015

(<https://www.voanews.com/a/ethiopia-travel-warning/3472320.html>

<https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/ethiopia>

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories/ethiopia-travel-warning.html>)

I am still waiting for better environments to try to bring clean water to those who desperately need it. Many people ask me how my project is going? It hurts me to reply that it is not going as well as I expected. I could not even use the fund I raised to build or construct a well or develop a spring to bring clean water to some villages and able to show friends and partners like you the fruit of your donation.

Because of the above reasons, I refrain from fundraising events and scaled back asking friends and partners to donate to the LWF until the situation in Ethiopia improves and safe to travel in the country and able to provide the required help. This does not mean I gave up on my project. I am still working on this project since it is my life dream to help the needy. Still friends and partners continue giving by believing in me in this life-changing work. I am honored for the trust they have on me and chosen to contribute monthly.

Undoubtedly, your generous donation will help towards LWF's goal to provide Ethiopians gain access to safe drinking water, improve sanitation, and ultimately a better future as the situation in the country improves.

Again, I express my sincerest thanks to you, my friends for your generosity compassion and understanding of this dire need of the Ethiopian people.

With your ongoing support, we will continue to share your unconditional gift to the community that have a deserving need for safe drinking water.

LWF wishes you peace, love and good health at Christmas and always.

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