

Les Cayes Replication: Bucket Distribution Begins!



We are so excited to share with you that your giving during our spring campaign and the recent Global Giving Campaign has made bucket distribution in Les Cayes possible. Families are being added to the program daily as Coicy Franky, our School Program Director and Interim Water Project Manager conducts training sessions and hands out buckets to eager families. Each family receives a five gallon bucket and their first bottle of Gadyen Dlo, a chlorine solution used to treat their water. Christ Church Anglican kicked off the first bucket



distribution in Savanette, a community just outside Les Cayes, during the first week in October. Michael Ritter and Coicy Franky joined a team from the church in Kansas to hold a session on safe water and to distribute the first forty buckets. Over the next few weeks Coicy will work with the St Jean Baptiste School in Savanette to distribute over 60 additional buckets. The program will continue to grow as we are able to bring buckets and supplies to this area. (...)

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Global Giving Fundraising Drive A Huge Success!

Deep Springs International's campaign in the 2009 Global



Giving Challenge was a success! Thank you all for your generosity and commitment. Your combined efforts, **totaling \$5,090**, propelled Deep Springs International forward to earn a permanent position on the Global Giving website by raising over \$4,000 in 30 days from over 50 separate donations. All proceeds from the Challenge were designated for the Les Cayes Replication Program in Haiti. The Global Giving organization has certainly established a name for itself as one of the leading foundations that strives to connect individual and institutional donors directly to development projects all around the world. They have mobilized over \$20 million dollars of funding to more than 1,300 grassroots projects in 90 countries. For Deep Springs, this development was a significant milestone in our growth and expansion. With the ability to network with donors through Global Giving, Deep Springs International will be able to further increase visibility, accreditation, and donations. Upon the grounds of the Student Union at Grove City College, Deep Springs International returned to familiar roots and saw support for the Global Giving Challenge from the student frontier. With the volunteer help of one of the campus' men's housing groups, the CRONS, Deep Springs succeeded in raising student awareness of the Global Giving campaign and of the Deep Springs mission. One student, Michael Galis, a Senior Finance major, said, "...to me DSI is a very worthy cause because it is self sustaining, profitable for local employees, and beneficial to the whole community." With your help, Deep Springs International has expanded to new reaches and continues to strive for excellence. Thanks to your generous support, Deep Springs International looks forward to a bright future as we take steps forward to achieving our goals.

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GlobalGiving Continues to Benefit Deep Springs
GlobalGiving announced that donations received on their website between November 10th and December 1st will be matched up to 50%. Continue to help the people of Les Cayes through GlobalGiving this holiday season and multiply your gift!
www.globalgiving.com



Christ Church Anglican Team's Thoughts and Reactions

JOY...Giggles and sparkling eyes. I could see for myself that the Deep Springs simple safe water system is making a real difference in the lives of the children at Savanette. More families have been reached through the school's students. The parents were willing to spend the time to learn about the safe water system and wanted it for the rest of their family

~ Martie



APPROACH...I was very impressed by Deep Springs' thorough and comprehensive approach - from the importance of proper handling of the bucket & chlorine solution to teachings on basic hygiene. Another key component for the long-term success of the program is follow-up home visits. And Coicy (pictured above), the local DSI representative, who did a great job at the introduction meeting, was going to begin the home visits the following week!



DEDICATION...At the end of the first safe water system introduction meeting with the parents, one of the women asked if her bucket could be the one that was used in the meeting to demonstrate fitting the bucket with the spigot and mixing in the chlorine solution. With this filled bucket weighing about 40 pounds, she couldn't even lift it onto her head. So she had someone put it on her head and started the long walk home followed by two little ones. It definitely demonstrated how eager the families are to accept new & life-giving ways.

RESPONSE...I was so amazed at the response from the parents. On Sunday at the end of the worship service news about the Safe Water introduction meeting was announced. The word spread quickly and 40 families in addition to the school teachers showed up for the training session the next day!



Grove City Alum Supports Gadyen Dlo Technicians

Ken Caves, (Grove City 79') through his company, Heigl Technologies has graciously volunteered to donate badges for technicians in the Gadyen Dlo program. Technicians contribute to the success of the program not only by selling Gadyen Dlo door-to-door, they also make monthly visits to each household in their area to ensure the proper use of Gadyen Dlo by the family. Caves' donation will make an impact as Deep Springs expands programs and launches locations. In Haiti a photo-ID badge indicating the organization or business you represent not only identifies you, it also brings prestige. To a Haitian living in a country where unemployment exceeds 70% in the rural areas, the badge means "I have a job and I am contributing to my community."

Prayer Requests:

For Haiti:

- Political stability
- Sustainable Employment
- Saving faith in Christ
- Hope

For DSI:

- Positive interactions and partnership with Non-government organizations and groups in Haiti
- Endurance, safety and wisdom for Michael as he travels

Visit our website www.deepspringsinternational.org for further updates and information!

Amy Ritter shares her Heart-Changing Experience in Jolivert

Just another family vacation. This time, it won't be relaxing on the white sand beaches, but it will be "cool" to see what Michael's doing in Haiti. That was the extent of my thoughts before I left America with my parents for a week-long trip to Jolivert, Haiti. The intention was to meet the people that Michael knows and to see what Deep Springs International is doing in the third world country of Haiti. Little did I know that the trip would transform my entire outlook on life. The aspect of my trip that I will never forget is the closeness of the relationships that I built. I took Creole lessons from a girl named Francia while I taught her English. I played with two orphan toddler girls who were desperate for love. I witnessed a mother saying good-bye to her child as she gave her up for adoption. I was chased down by a 3-year old girl who wanted me to take her home with me. I could go on and on about the people I met and the images I saw, just like any other missions trip report you have heard before. The trip, however, meant more to me than that. It deeply affected my mind and my heart.



Siblings Amy and Michael in Jolivert



Everyday life in Haiti changed my everyday view of life here in America. What are we spending our money on, and why do we worry about our lives so much in this wealthy country? The biggest question that I continually asked myself was, "How do these people get from day to day?" I was constantly thinking about what they are lacking and what they need. So I started with food. If they don't have food, they should get a job. There aren't really many jobs, though. OK, then sell items to make money. Well, a lot of the people don't have money to buy anything. The cycle continues, and you end up back where you started, "How do these people get from day to day?" I talked to Michael about the Haitians' purpose in life. He simply told me, "Well, life isn't meant to be lived this way. It's supposed to be more than this." That thought struck me, and I haven't let it go since.

That is when it became clear to me why DSI is working there. They are seeking to make life in Haiti more than what it is right now. People come and go every year on short-term mission trips but may not develop long-term relationships and programs that provide lasting change in the people's lives. I always heard about

Learning Creole

DSI's work from Michael, but I finally got it to see it firsthand...and it's working. Haitians are using the buckets and the solution, and lives are being saved. Throughout the whole week, I could tell that the Haitians were extremely thankful for the water treatment that is being provided. Adults and kids alike would make sure they came and talked to Michael when they saw him. Haitians know that DSI is giving them a hope and a future for their country and their people. Although I brought back many pictures and stories with me from my week, I will always be the most grateful for the way Haiti and its people changed my worldview.



Malika drinking water treated With Gadyen Dlo



Michael with Gadyen Dlo Reseller



Give the Gift of Clean Water this Christmas Season!

2 Ways to Give:

1. **Donate \$10 or more:** DSI will send you or a recipient of your choice a DSI brochure and certificate indicating a gift has been given in their name.
2. **Donate \$50 or more:** DSI will send you or a recipient of your choice a DSI brochure and a DSI sackpack (pictured at right), along with a certificate indicating a gift has been given in their name.
3. **How to Give a DSI Gift:**

-Send a check to our mailing address along with the name and address of your recipient

-Donate via **PayPal** or **GlobalGiving** and send a message to info@deepspringsinternational.org indicating your donation recipient.



New Mailing Address!

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Have a Blessed Holiday Season!

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