

Water is a basic necessity for life. It fuels every living thing on this earth, and it is critical to survival.

For most of us, water is readily available—piped straight into our homes. **But for more than 700 million people across the world, clean water is not easily accessible, and life centers around a desperate search for water.** Women and children spend hours each day walking in search of a borehole or digging shallow wells in dry riverbeds. This is precious time that could be spent caring for the family, earning money, or studying in school.

Almost half of the need is in sub-Saharan Africa, where water scarcity affects more than an estimated 325 million people.

### How can you help? Give the gift of water.

\* Water facts from World Health Organization and UNICEF's Joint Monitoring Program

### How You Can Help

You can provide clean water to an entire community by making a gift to Maranatha's water well program.

- Make a general donation to Maranatha's water program. Every dollar helps!
- Sponsor an entire well. Full sponsorship starts at \$10,000. You'll receive a photo of the well along with GPS coordinates.

You can also help the mission of Maranatha by donating to our general fund. Make a gift online at www.maranatha.org or call (916) 774-7700.

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# Give the Gift of **WATER**



Maranatha Volunteers International

## THE GIFT OF WATER

In response to the worldwide water crisis, Maranatha is providing wells in communities without access to clean water. The wells are usually located where Maranatha has constructed a church or school, and the water becomes a form of outreach to the community.

Each well becomes central to the community for decades to come. **It is one of the** *simplest, most impactful actions that can help transform lives from surviving to thriving*.

Help to provide clean, fresh water to the thirsty. Make a donation to Maranatha's water well program!





### About the Water Well Program

The majority of Maranatha's water program has been focused in southern Africa. Since 2007, Maranatha has helped to drill more than 800 wells in this region. Currently, Maranatha is working in Zimbabwe, Zambia, and Kenya.

- Each well is drilled on or near the site of a church or school built by Maranatha, and the well becomes a point of outreach to the surrounding community.
- Special trucks called rigs house the equipment to bore deep into the earth through sand, dirt, limestone, granite, or just about any substance. The heavy trucks drive to the sites indicated by geologists to be the most likely spot to strike water, and drills to the recommended depths.
- If successful, a casing and hand pump is installed, along with a cement apron to prevent contamination.