

## water facts



Half of the world's hospitalizations are due to water-related disease.



Women spend thousands of hours each year collecting & carrying water.



Waterborne diseases cause 1.4 million children's deaths every year



Only 63% of the world's population have access to improved sanitation.

Source: [www.water.org](http://www.water.org)

Did you know?  
Nearly *one billion* people lack access to clean water

*You can change the world!*

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Bringing clean water to the poorest communities in the world



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## the problem



Many of the poorest communities throughout the world do not have ready access to clean water.

Disease and death are prevalent in the absence of this most

basic need. In India, long-standing religious beliefs do not allow the poorest of the poor to obtain water from local wells.

The burden of finding water falls mostly on women and children. They may walk for up to eight hours per day in search of water for their families.



## the opportunity

You can change a life, change a community, change the world!

### Sponsor your own fresh water well



Hands of Freedom installs and maintains fresh water wells in areas they are most needed.

By sponsoring a well, you help prevent disease and death,

as well as assist a community in becoming self sufficient. Instead of spending countless hours carrying water, women can spend time learning a skill, helping their family economically, and growing in their faith.

## the investment

The cost to sponsor each well is \$3,000.

Included with your sponsorship:

- Plaque with a custom inscription mounted on each well
- Personalized DVD

Consider sponsoring a well with other individuals, families, churches, businesses, or organizations.

### Wells 4 the World Christmas Plan

Four families agree to spend only 25% of what they typically spend for Christmas. These families then take the other 75% and pool it together (\$750 per family) to put in a fresh water well. The four families gather at Christmas and still exchange small gifts (such as stocking stuffers), enjoy a meal together and watch a personalized DVD, which includes photos of their well and a personal thank you message.

We invite you to make a real difference in the lives of thousands of people needing clean drinking water.

### Sponsoring a well is easy!

Simply write a check to:

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Be sure to indicate "Well" on the memo line.

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