



## 5,000 Children *Get Safe Water to Drink!*

This summer a remarkable thing happened in Hamilton. One beautiful sunny day, a bunch of folks went golfing and a few spent the day tasting wines in the Niagara area. As a result of these activities, five thousand children will get safe drinking water next year!

This amazing thing happened at CanWell 2012 during their first annual fundraising golf tournament and tour. Canadian Drillers, Suppliers and Supporters collectively raised \$5,000 to help lifewater.ca drill a well in Haiti and help supply overseas drillers with new drill bits.

Because Lifewater.ca is powered by volunteers working from home, every

\$1 provides someone overseas with safe water to drink for a year. This has a dramatic life-saving impact in places like Liberia where 15% of the children die before age 5 from water-related diseases.

These abstract statistics became personal for me the first time I was in an African village surrounded by beautiful children. As they smiled at me, my heart broke as I wondered which ones would not be alive to celebrate Christmas if they continued to drink from their stagnant water hole. Contributions from donors like you helped us put a well in this village. It was an amazing feeling to go back to this village a few years later and see the children being organized by Esther, a young girl I recognized from my first visit. This future Village Head Woman was alive and healthy because of the well supplying her with safe water!

Thank-you to everyone who participated in the CanWell golf tournament and wine tour. Thank-you also to the supplier who gave \$2,000 at the evening dinner and challenged well drilling companies and suppliers to match his gift. And thanks to those who have given to more than triple his gift so far. Think of all the Esther's that will now stay healthy, be able to go to

school and become productive citizens of their country.

If anyone would like to give in response to this challenge, they can do so at [www.lifewater.ca](http://www.lifewater.ca). Contact me at [info@lifewater.ca](mailto:info@lifewater.ca) if you are interested in having a working vacation helping teach overseas drillers. And finally, we are looking for a small hydrofracturing system and a small air rotary rig that can be refurbished and sent overseas to help local crews drill more efficiently.

**On behalf of the thousands of children and their families who will now have safe water next year, I thank you for your help!**

### **Jim Gehrels**

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**Editor's Note: Jim asked us to add that Lifewater Canada is currently seeking anyone who is able to provide either of the following items: 1) a down-hole camera 2) small fracking units. Contact Jim at [info@lifewater.ca](mailto:info@lifewater.ca).**



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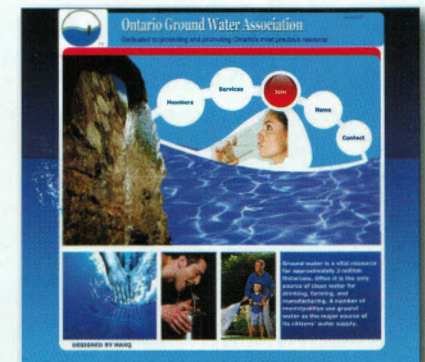
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