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Lighting
the World
with Hope



Some would describe 2020 as a dark season of history and we certainly have been through many challenges. As I reflect on 2020, I see shining glimmers of hope and the reminder that when we come together we can accomplish more than we thought was possible.

Our light has been burning strong; we helped provide access to healing for survivors of trafficking, clean water to people whose communities have been ravaged by sickness from contaminated sources, on-the-ground assistance to those who lost everything to hurricanes, health and tools of transformation for children living with disabilities, opportunities for a flourishing business for women in many countries, and much more.

**Feed the hungry,
and help those in trouble.
Then your light will shine out
from the darkness,
and the darkness around
you will be as bright as noon.**

—ISAIAH 58:10

Transformation cannot happen overnight but in 2020, we have seen transformation take place in many communities across the globe. I am honoured that you and I can be a small part of these stories of hope by joining the World Hope team. It is thanks to supporters like you, with relationships established with our staff, and through the impact of our programming that we are able, together, to unlock the possibilities and bring the power of hope to communities around the world.

Enjoy reading the many ways that you have been helping vulnerable people around the world!

With hope,



Tanya Nace
CEO

World Hope International (Canada)

LIBERIA

A Message from WHI Founder, Dr. Jo Anne Lyon

“**M**om, have you washed your hands?” I found this a strange question coming from my adult son a few days after the “shelter-in-place” order came early this year. It was then I realized the roles in our family were changing fast. Phone calls from other children inquiring about our supply of toilet paper, soap, hand-wipes, thermometers—and the list continued. Of course, we all soon knew the significance of these things for health and life.

Soon word began to spread of how the rest of the world was suffering; locked down with migrant workers attempting to get home and more. In a conversation with Dr. Aiah Foday-Khabenje, General Secretary of the Association of Evangelicals in Africa, someone simply asked, “What is the greatest need in Africa during COVID?” His immediate answer was WATER. **“We cannot wash our hands in dirty water.”**

I hung up from this call and could not get this straight-forward answer out of my mind. Shortly after this call I heard that Liberia, where World Hope International has an office, was not only locked down, but had a daily curfew of 3:00 pm! To think about getting our rig for drilling wells out into rural areas was impossible; no sooner would the team reach a site than the looming curfew would compel them to pack up and leave.



If we wanted to respond to Dr. Khabenje’s call for water, we needed to concentrate where work could be done in a short amount of time. That’s when the World Hope wells team began to inquire of needs in the capital city, Monrovia, and soon found there were many, many broken wells. World Hope Liberia Country Director, Wellington Kollie, and the wells team began to put together a plan. They visited some of the areas where the wells were broken and inquired in the community as to what they were doing regarding water and found they were desperate. One woman in near tears said, “I have been going from community to community to just get water to wash my children’s hands and the people who have working wells will not allow us in because they fear of being overrun.”

Our folks in Liberia did not need any more convincing. They had the plan and we here in the US were asked to provide the resources.



One of the rehabilitated wells in Liberia that is now helping people to have water for drinking, cooking, and to frequently wash their hands

I am so grateful for the 40+ churches and individuals who responded. To date, 42 wells have been rehabilitated in the city and surrounding areas—along with hand-washing stations provided at each well and trainings held in hand washing and other health habits. Plus, now gardens can be watered to assist in food needs—more important than ever with poverty and hunger on the rise from pandemic impacts.

One amazing World Hope Liberia team, 40+ churches and individuals responding to their call, 42 rehabilitated wells, and 70,000 people benefiting from renewed access to clean water—all in the midst of a global pandemic.

We are all learning to pivot during the global pandemic, and it is imperative that we continue to do this in a quickly chang-

ing world. Together, we can discover new methods to “make things new” and continue in God’s desire for the flourishing of humans.

I am grateful to know that we are part of bringing vital clean water to communities for sanitation and hygiene, drinking, and crops — and yes, I too am washing my hands a lot more than I have in the past. (But please be assured, I am not letting total role reversal come with my children! 😊) It is good to take care of one another, though, and to know we are cared for in turn.



RELATED PROJECT: Clean Water Wells

- Goal: To drill long-lasting clean water wells in vulnerable communities, To train communities on how to care for the wells and adhere to WASH standards, To increase access to clean water around the world
- Launched 2004

• SDGs:





THE PHILIPPINES

Building Bridges and Breaking Barriers

Over the past year, World Hope has been working with the Agay Tribe, an indigenous people group in the northern region of the Philippines, to build a bridge. Not a metaphorical bridge, but a real, physical bridge.

A problem that many communities face is the actual physical accessibility to schools. Unfortunately, this was the case in the Agays' community. They have a functioning school, but most children in this community must cross a river to get to the school. This is not as much of an issue in the drier seasons, but during the rainy season it was almost always impossible

to do without swimming across the river. Children would then have to risk swimming across, even with strong currents, holding all their clothes and school supplies above the water in an attempt to have dry uniforms and books. In times of typhoons, it was far too dangerous to even attempt this type of crossing so the children would have to skip days of school until the river subsided. As part of our Child Sponsorship program, we are committed to supporting the entire community a child lives in.

This means that, depending on the context that a child is in, our Child Sponsorship program and projects will be customized



“Students will no longer protect their uniforms using plastic bags and swim to go to school, they will be able to wear their school uniforms, cross the river by foot and reach the school dry!”

*—Emelita Goddard,
Former WHI Director of Community
Development and Agriculture, now WHI
Cambodia Country Director*

to the needs of that particular community, creating sustainability as we take into consideration long-term impacts that we can make.

And so, in the Agay community, the foot-bridge project was born.

In early March of this year, ground was officially broken at the bridge construction site. Since then, the Agay people have been hard at work putting in the foundations and constructing the actual bridge. They have been working rain or shine, in hopes that it would be completed before the worst of the rainy season hits the area.

We are so excited that all of this hard work has paid off with a completed footbridge! Now the children will not have to worry about their school supplies or uniforms getting wet, or if they can even make it to school due to the water levels of the river.

The promise of our Child Sponsorship program is that we uniquely tailor the program to each community so that sponsorship will systematically and sustainably be used to remove the barriers lying between children and their ability to access quality education—opening the doors to opportunity, dignity, and hope not only for them, but their friends, family, and community for years to come.



we are the village

It takes a village to ensure that a child can grow up safely, securely, and with access to education and hope for opportunities in the future. It takes their family, teachers, leaders, and other community members — and now, we are inviting others to be part of the village, too.

World Hope's Child Sponsorship program holistically and uniquely addresses the barriers children face in accessing education. Join in the journey with these children and their communities by sponsoring a child today and help open the doors for them to a life of opportunity, dignity, and hope!

RELATED PROJECT: Community-Led Development Among the Agay Tribe

- Goal: To promote inclusive wellbeing and improved education outcomes of all children in the northern region of the Philippines

- Launched 2003

- SDGs:



Sponsor a Child

\$41 /month

- **Known** – They believe someone cares about their story.
- **Loved** – They receive encouragement, prayers, and opportunity.
- **Launched** – They can live to their fullest, God-given potential.

Special Needs Child

\$55 /month

- **Caseworker** – Assigned to your sponsored child and their family.
- **A Plan** – Includes therapy, community training, and specialized equipment.
- **A Future** – Can live to their fullest, God-given potential.

**START
SPONSORING
NOW!**





CAMBODIA & HAITI

Venturing in Search of Clean Water Solutions

Even in the poorest places around the world, hardworking people struggle to improve the conditions of their families. We know that enterprises offering beneficial products and services can create a sustainable impact not only for them, but their whole community!

That's why at World Hope, we work to lay the groundwork for healthy, private sector collaborations at the grassroots and global trading levels. We support the start-up of businesses that can help people out of poverty while providing a service that everyone

needs—like growing food, producing power, and improving access to clean water.

2.1 billion people worldwide don't have clean water at the household level, according to the World Health Organization. Many rural and semi-urban communities are not receiving piped water networks because of the high costs of building piped water systems. Without clean water at all, these communities are stuck in the poverty trap—they cannot maintain good health and nutrition levels for work, education and play.



At World Hope, we strongly believe that all people deserve safe access to clean water—and that it's a fundamental part of healthcare facilities and their ability to successfully operate. But access to clean water doesn't always look like drilling wells...

Across many communities in Cambodia, families are already paying \$50-100 per year to access water trucked in from dirty and dangerous sources such as rivers and ponds. But what if they could pay an affordable rate for water that is safe and clean—and tapped right to their homes?



Yoeum lives in Banteay Meanchey Province, where TapEffect has expanded into. He is a 14-year-old schoolboy and, when asked what his thoughts were on the new piped water system coming to his town, he said he expects that the water pipe system will improve his living standard with its affordable price, safe water, and the fact that it is very convenient. As he put it, "I will not waste my time anymore in pumping water for consumption. I will focus more on my studies instead." We're glad to see this clean water social venture not only helping Yoeum and kids like him stay healthier, but also have a better chance at a quality education!

That's where TapEffect, a WHI social venture that successfully piloted in Monduliri Province, Cambodia, comes in. It provides Cambodian communities with clean, piped water.

TapEffect seeks to tackle the lack of safe water access in Cambodia by implementing and operating a portfolio of piped water systems in rural and semi-rural areas. These areas are where logistical, technological, and financial constraints make it challenging for communities to otherwise access clean water. By the end of 2019, the pilot had connected 100 households, two schools, and one healthcare facility in the province to treated, clean water. This year, even with the additional, unique challenges posed by COVID-19, TapEffect expanded into a whole new province, connecting even more households, schools, and healthcare facilities!

Another clean water social venture that moved forward this year was the building and completion of a water desalination facility in La Gonave, Haiti, even amid the turbulence experienced in the country over the past year and COVID-19 reaching the island. "The first need is water," said Dan Irvine, WHI's Haiti Country Director. "It's impossible to do community development work without clean water."

In the early stages of planning for the water system and meeting with island locals, one local woman, Madame Princeton, commented that "some organizations, they come here and say we need water and they identify that. They build lots of wells, but the water is no good. If today, we can find people thinking of us and have good water, we would thank God."

Because clean water is so scarce and most of the water found on the island is brackish,

drilling wells just wasn't a viable solution in La Gonave. That's why World Hope partnered with the GivePower Foundation to invest in and launch the solar-powered water desalination and distribution center, now often referred to simply as "the water farm."

Fully operational, the benefits of the water farm are already rippling through the community. Residents no longer have to walk long distances in the burning sun to fetch contaminated water and they no longer have to live in fear or wonder when and where they will find safe drinking water. Instead they can simply bring their own water jug to the water farm and purchase fresh drinking water at an affordable price. Not only that, but they have the opportunity for employment at the water farm as well as the earning possibilities opened up by microenterprises.



After being in operation for only a few months, the water farm is already cash positive. On a recent trip to Haiti, two community leaders shared that the water it produces is now “the only water we drink at home.”

Throughout this year we have all faced the challenges brought on by COVID-19. The global pandemic has heightened the urgency for clean water and painfully highlighted the terrible lack of clean water in healthcare facilities and schools. But it has also shown us the importance of innovating for impact and that social ventures can indeed be the means through which communities not only have their basic needs met, but also receive the tools and opportunities to build their own success.



Did you know?

In addition to supplying residents with clean water at an affordable rate, the water farm also provides the island’s only local hospital with free water every day! It’s hard to imagine healthcare facilities not having reliable, clean water to use for sanitation and treatment of patients and now, l’Hôpital Wesleyenne de La Gonâve doesn’t have to worry about that anymore.

RELATED PROJECT: TapEffect

- Goal: Establish direct access to safe and affordable tap water
- Launch date: 2017
- SDGs:



RELATED PROJECT: Solar-Powered Desalination and Distribution Center

- Goal: To produce 20,000 gallons per day of clean water for tap and bottle; to provide locals with opportunities for entrepreneurship through micro-enterprise; to provide clean water for the nearby hospital and clinic; to reduce the amount of illness and mortality rates from water-borne diseases and contaminated water
- Launch date: 2019
- SDGs:



CANADA & USA

Volunteers drop everything and respond to Hurricane Laura

On Friday, August 28th, Kurt Bandy received a phone call from World Hope International (Canada) asking if he could leave that evening for Louisiana to respond to Hurricane Laura's devastation. He had one hour to make the decision. Knowing on top of the 7 days of service, he had to self-isolate for 14 days coming home, Kurt dropped everything. By 8:00 pm, Kurt departed for his first disaster relief trip.

When the team touched down in Lake Charles, Louisiana, they met up with the rest of the team. They were immediately con-

fronted with the devastation that took place. Kurt described the scene as overwhelming. Roofs were blown off, restaurants were collapsed, and roads were impassable. He said, **"As I was driving in, I could start seeing things get worse and worse. When I pulled off the highway I was immediately faced with how bad it was. The most impacting scene that I can't shake is when we drove past a mobile home park, and the majority of the homes didn't have roofs. I looked behind me and saw the roofs blown across the highway and wrapped around trees—completely destroyed."**





water for residents of Lake Charles and were able to deliver water in a distribution line.

On top of clean water, Amazon provided emergency relief supplies including generators, cases of diapers, and tarps that we were able to distribute.

After five days, the team produced and delivered 5,300 liters of fresh drinking water. **“It’s amazing to see the transformation of the water. We took dirty polluted water and turned it into drinking water. Not only were we making drinking water, but we were leaving a clean footprint behind.”** Pallets of bottled water were being shipped in, but our smallest bag of water takes the place of 20 disposable water bottles.

“I was amazed by the flood of organizations that arrived in Lake Charles; each organization offering something different. Electricians from neighbouring states drove in and worked non-stop to restore power. Landscapers, roofers, construction

There was no running water, power, or air conditioning and the team worked in 40-degree weather. Lake Charles’ main water sources were destroyed leaving the community with no freshwater. World Hope International has partnered with Katadyn and Sol Relief in our disaster relief efforts before and we came together again in Louisiana.

Using Katadyn water filtration systems the team produced clean water for World Central Kitchen to use for cooking as their team made 10,000 meals a day for members of the community. The team then produced

We’re so grateful to the generous outpouring of support from donors and to our wonderful partners—including Airlink, MAP International, Sol Relief, Amazon, DisasterTech and TESLA—who helped us respond to these disasters around the world in 2020:

- Marshall Islands Dengue Outbreak
- Hurricane Dorian in The Bahamas
- COVID-19
- Australia Wildfires
- Midland Floods in Michigan
- Hurricane Laura
- Hurricanes Eta & Iota in Nicaragua & Honduras
- California & Oregon Wildfires

workers all came offering their services. You can't do this work alone, and I loved seeing everyone come together to offer hope in dark times."

Being on the first-response team isn't glamorous, and there are many unknowns. Being a first responder requires resourcefulness, flexibility, and the ability to think creatively. Kurt explained that the best part of being a first responder is problem-solving. The first week on the ground is non-stop problem-

solving. This team worked hard to come together to ensure they were producing the cleanest and safest drinking water.

Stopping life for a week and going to an unsafe, uncomfortable, hurting part of the world on little notice with few answers is not comfortable; it is scary and hard, but that is part of what we do. This team offered hope to hurting people in need of help because people matter. Thank you volunteers, and thank you, faithful supporters. Together we are making a difference.

Join the World Hope International Disaster Response Team!



On October 24th, World Hope Canada partnered with Hillside Wesleyan Church to host a first response training. 40 volunteers from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario, and Maine joined us either online or in-person. Even Covid-19 can't stop our disaster response volunteers from training! These water warriors are an inspiration!

Responding rapidly and responsibly to disasters is made possible by the support of individual donors, churches, and organizations, as well as through our strong coalition of partner organizations and our amazing network of volunteers.

Interested in joining the emergency relief response team? Contact us today at info@worldhope.ca



HIRES & PROMOTIONS

Talmage Payne **COO**

Talmage Payne is a humanitarian entrepreneur and respected leader with more than 25 years of experience in the non-profit and for profit social impact sectors. Talmage has worked to implement strategic vision within several international NGOs, and he has founded a number of social impact ventures. At World Hope, Talmage directed programs and strategy in Cambodia and the Philippines before his promotion to COO. Prior to World Hope, Talmage was global CEO of Hagar International, where he helped establish operations in nine countries. Prior to Hagar, Talmage served with World Vision for 15 years, including as Country Director in Cambodia. The Royal Cambodia Government has recognized Talmage's humanitarian work, including through the People's Medal and the Royal Order of Sahmetri. Talmage holds a bachelor's degree in Economic Development from Wheaton College.



Dan Irvine **Country Director, Haiti**

Rev. Dan Irvine has most recently served as the Caribe Atlantic Area Director for Global Partners, the overseas mission auxiliary of The Wesleyan Church. He has a combined 38 years of ministry experience as pastor,



educator, missionary and administrator. Dan has a Masters of Arts in Ministry from Indiana Wesleyan University and a graduate certificate in International Family and Community Development from Clemson University. Dan and his family have resided outside their home culture for more than 18 years, most of that time in Haiti.

Emelita Goddard **Country Director, Cambodia**

Dr. Emelita "Milet" Goddard is a community development strategist with more than 20 years of experience in design, management, monitoring, and evaluation of integrated community development programs in the Asia-Pacific Region. Throughout her career, Milet has maintained a special focus on at-risk women and children and survivors of gender-based violence. Previously at World Hope, Milet was the organization's program designer, responsible for setting and implementing the vision for programs to serve vulnerable communities in WHI target countries. Milet has served as a consultant to USAID and France Expertise Internationale for the Global Fund's Governing Body in Cambodia, WHO, Int'l Labour Organization, TEAR Australia, World Vision and other development agencies. Milet holds a bachelor's degree and a doctorate in Technical Science in Aquaculture.



EXCITING NEWS!

Disney Conservation Fund Helps World Hope International Support People, Southern Yellow-Cheeked Crested Gibbons, and the Habitats They Need to Thrive

“In Cambodia, the economic impacts of COVID-19 have resulted in reduced ecotourism and increased threats to endangered gibbons. Support from the Disney Conservation Fund will be critical in improving community attitudes and increasing conservation action for gibbon conservation.”

—Kyle Winney, Conservation Specialist,
World Hope International

World Hope International has been awarded a grant by the Disney Conservation Fund (DCF) for work supporting the indigenous Bunong people in both sustainable development and conservation goals through Jahoo, an ecotourism and research center in Monduliri Province, Cambodia.

During its 25th anniversary year, the Disney Conservation Fund is proud to continue providing critical support to community-led conservation efforts globally. The fund has been supporting local efforts around the world



aimed at saving wildlife, inspiring action and protecting the planet with more than \$100 million distributed to nonprofit organizations since 1995.

At Jahoo, World Hope International works with the Bunong to protect the many endangered or threatened species from poaching and the forest against illegal logging. World Hope International protects both the wildlife and the future of the community. On a recent trek through the forest, the Jahoo team came across illegal loggers on indigenous land and contacted the community leaders, who rapidly responded to put a stop to it with the aid of rangers. The ancient trees in the region are owned by the Bunong, who have used them sustainably for centuries—and their tall canopy and fruit are a favorite of the endangered Southern Yellow-Cheeked Crested Gibbons, for whom the region is not only the best place on earth in which to spot them, but also their final refuge.

“This is such exciting news! Huge thanks to Disney for this award. It will help us work holistically with both conservation and community development. It is so encouraging to have Disney recognize the importance of conservation and how it directly impacts development. We need engaged communities to ensure strong conservation!”

— Tanya Nace, CEO
World Hope International (Canada)

DCF grant recipients are selected based on their efforts to implement comprehensive community wildlife conservation programs, stabilize and increase populations of at-risk animals and engage communities in conservation in critical ecosystems around the world.

ENJOY A VIRTUAL VISIT AT JAHOO in the heart of the Keo Seima Wildlife Sanctuary in Mondulhiri, Cambodia! Trek into the jungle with us and spot beautiful and endangered species like the yellow-cheeked crested gibbons, black shanked doucs, and majestic elephants. Hear from the indigenous Bunong guides and village leaders, meet our Conservation Specialist, and discover how the surrounding community is experiencing the power of hope through access to clean water and education as well as opportunities for employment. From the comfort of your home, you can experience the wonder of creation and be encouraged and inspired as you see for yourself the joy of unlocked possibilities and the power of hope.

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A LETTER OF HOPE:

Message from a Donor

Natalie Gidney recently became an advocate for World Hope. Natalie shares, "World Hope demonstrates their passion for people in all situations and circumstances. To see them put together teams (even during a pandemic) to send to ravaged parts of the world to provide clean drinking water and other help during times of disaster is something I want to be part of. Seeing the heart of this ministry in action and the selflessness of those who participate is awe-inspiring."

Four years ago, Natalie wrote a book about the transformative power of God's grace, but she decided to wait and put it on the shelf for a different time. After spending time experiencing World Hope's projects during a vision trip, Natalie was ready to be an advocate for World Hope's anti-trafficking projects.

Natalie pulled out and dusted off the manuscript and made the decision to publish the book, *Transformed by the Grace of*



Jesus, with a portion of the proceeds going to help vulnerable young women through World Hope International.

Natalie commented, "What joy it brings to my heart to see people buy this book and study the transforming power of Jesus through His Word. In doing so, they are able to experience the transforming power of Jesus in their own lives and will be supporting women around the world so they continue to be transformed. Giving to help bring women out of trafficking, poverty and hopelessness is such an encouragement to me. It's a small thing I can do to see great impact."



Gift Catalogue

Give a gift. Transform a life.

Why not give the gift of hope this Christmas? When you sponsor any of these vital needs, you will receive a card to print off for your loved ones so they will know that you gave in their honour!



Let's transform lives, one at a time.

Spring Gala 2021

Mark your calendars! We had so much fun at our first Online Gala. Now you can hold the date for our second annual World Hope International online gala on May 14th, 2021 - 8:00 pm AST / 7:00 pm EST. This year we will be celebrating stories of women empowerment and you won't want to miss it! If you'd like to sponsor our 2021 Online Gala, please email Tanya Nace at: Tanya.Nace@WorldHope.org.





BOSNIA

Women Empowerment: A Ripple Effect

WHI has been working in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) since 2003. WHI actively practices community development through a grant program which provides funds to help a local business get off the ground and running. We provide an initial sum of money at the start of the business's launch and the next year, the same amount is given again to be used for any unexpected expenses or funds for equipment, etc.

In Eastern Europe, it is often difficult for women to become leaders. Culturally, women are expected to cook, clean, and have children. Recently, WHI Bosnia helped a young female entrepreneur, Vesna, break through cultural barriers and start her own business! Female business leaders can be looked down upon, and even their own community sometimes wants them to fail.

Vesna spent a lot of time searching out a product that didn't exist in Bosnia. She eventually landed on the idea of interactive books. She then taught herself to sew

and started her business. She is now also making baby materials such as slips, sheets, pillows, and decorations. Vesna's goal is to create a psychologically stimulating and educational tactile book for young children. She immediately demonstrated her determination by stating that she would only take the first sum of money as her business would be sustainable before the second amount was needed.

Vesna knows that her work is not only making a personal difference but transforming the lives of her employees; it is a ripple effect. She works with three other women who depend on her thriving business to provide for their immediate and extended families.

"Through my experience, I have faced many failures and successes, yet each person who enters this kind of business needs to be ready for struggle."

- Vesna



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NACKAWIC WELL WALK

This Fall, Nackawic Wesleyan Church in Nackawic, NB held their 18th annual Well Walk to raise awareness and funds for a deep borehole well in Sierra Leone. World Hope CEO, Tanya Nace shared, "The commitment and energy of this congregation continue to amaze me. I am excited that another community will receive the transformational gift of clean water thanks to the steadfast commitment of this congregation!"

Would your church, business or organization like to put on a special event to raise money? If so, please email us at info@worldhope.ca for more information and resources.



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