



From the desk of
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Dear Partner in ministry,

Water is essential for life. Thankfully, water is plentiful.

If you or I need water, we simply turn on a tap. You might get filtered water from your fridge or buy bottled water—purified or distilled—with minerals, vitamins, or flavorings added. It can be cheap or expensive, local or imported, in plastic bottles or glass. Life does not go well without water. Thankfully, for most of us, that's no problem at all. There is ordinarily more than enough water for drinking, bathing, washing your car, watering your lawn or garden, or even filling a pool.



When It Is Written conducts a major evangelistic outreach in Ethiopia in April, we will meet people who have no access to safe, clean water. In fact, about half of all Ethiopians find themselves in that situation.¹ Water contamination is a major problem. On our last mission trip to Ethiopia, we served over 17,000 people at the medical clinic we conducted, providing essential services that many people would otherwise never be able to access. We expect to do even more this time. But a lack of clean water means diseases such as diarrhea and cholera are rampant. In fact, diarrheal diseases are currently the third-leading cause of death in Ethiopia.²

But there's something you can do.

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- <https://www.worldbank.org/en/news/feature/2023/11/10/promoting-sustainable-and-equitable-wash-in-ethiopia>
 - <https://data.who.int/countries/231>



It Is Written plans to provide at least 1,500 families with water filters during our mission trip to Ethiopia in April.

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One of the life-changing projects It Is Written is conducting this year is providing at least 1,500 families with water filters during our Ethiopia mission trip. An easy-to-use filtration system designed to serve a family of between 5 and 10 members can provide clean water for 10 years! These systems can filter up to one million gallons of safe, clean water, removing 99.99 percent of all pathogens. That's one and a half Olympic-sized swimming pools, or, as much water as you'd get from eight million standard drinking bottles, while creating zero plastic waste.

This is a simple, inexpensive solution to a serious, deadly problem. **Just \$39 will provide years of safe, clean water for families who are desperate,** families who have come to accept that being violently ill or dying young are an unavoidable part of life. Right now, parents are burying their children for the lack of clean water. Children are being separated from parents who have succumbed to deadly diseases that can be easily avoided.

Would you be willing to provide clean water to people who, at this moment, are living without this basic necessity?

This initiative is about much more than providing clean water. While in Ethiopia, we will again be conducting a medical clinic, meeting the physical needs of thousands. When we physically serve others, whether through medical care or the gift of clean water, their hearts are opened to the gospel. This is evangelism in its truest form. This is ministry. **The life-saving gifts of clean**

water and healthcare will point men and women, boys and girls to Jesus, who invites all to come to Him and drink. Isaiah 12:3 says, "Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation."

Your support of humanitarian projects this month will advance our overall missions program and enable us to deliver a life-changing water filtration system to an Ethiopian home—for just \$39!

More than 3,500 people were baptized during our prior trip to Ethiopia. We look forward to the blessings God has in store for this year's trip.



These filters will be shared free of charge with families in and around Hawassa, a city in the south of Ethiopia. Many people in this part of Ethiopia are living in villages without basic sanitation and no access to clean water. And in addition to water filtration systems, our team will provide training on how to operate the filters, as well as follow-up visits to ensure that the filters are used to their maximum potential.

On our last visit to Ethiopia, more than 3,500 people were baptized, and thousands of people were served by our medical missionary teams. By God's grace, we anticipate similar results in April, with the added blessing of providing clean, safe water, another means of directing people to the Creator.

I thank you in anticipation of your support of our humanitarian efforts in Ethiopia and other places around the world. It takes \$39 to provide clean drinking water for at least one family. An investment of \$390 will change the lives of 10 families, giving them the opportunity to live without the common, deadly illnesses caused by contaminated water. A gift of \$1,000 will allow 25 families—in some cases, an entire village—to access safe, clean water for the first time in their lives. Your donation this month will support our humanitarian work in 2025 and provide safe, clean water to hundreds of families.

Thank you for sharing life-giving clean water and for sharing Jesus in this practical, transformative way.

May God bless and keep you.

Sincerely,





Pastor John Bradshaw
President, It Is Written

P.S. During our mission trip to Ethiopia in April, we want to bless 1,500 families with water filters, giving them access to reliable, clean, safe drinking water. Just \$39 provides a family with a water filter for 10 years! We will also conduct another large-scale medical clinic and look forward to introducing people to Jesus, who can give them the water of life. Thank you for your support of this vital mission.

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