

PRAY
for water



**THE POOR
AND NEEDY
SEARCH FOR
WATER,
BUT THERE IS NONE;
THEIR TONGUES ARE
PARCHED
WITH THIRST.**

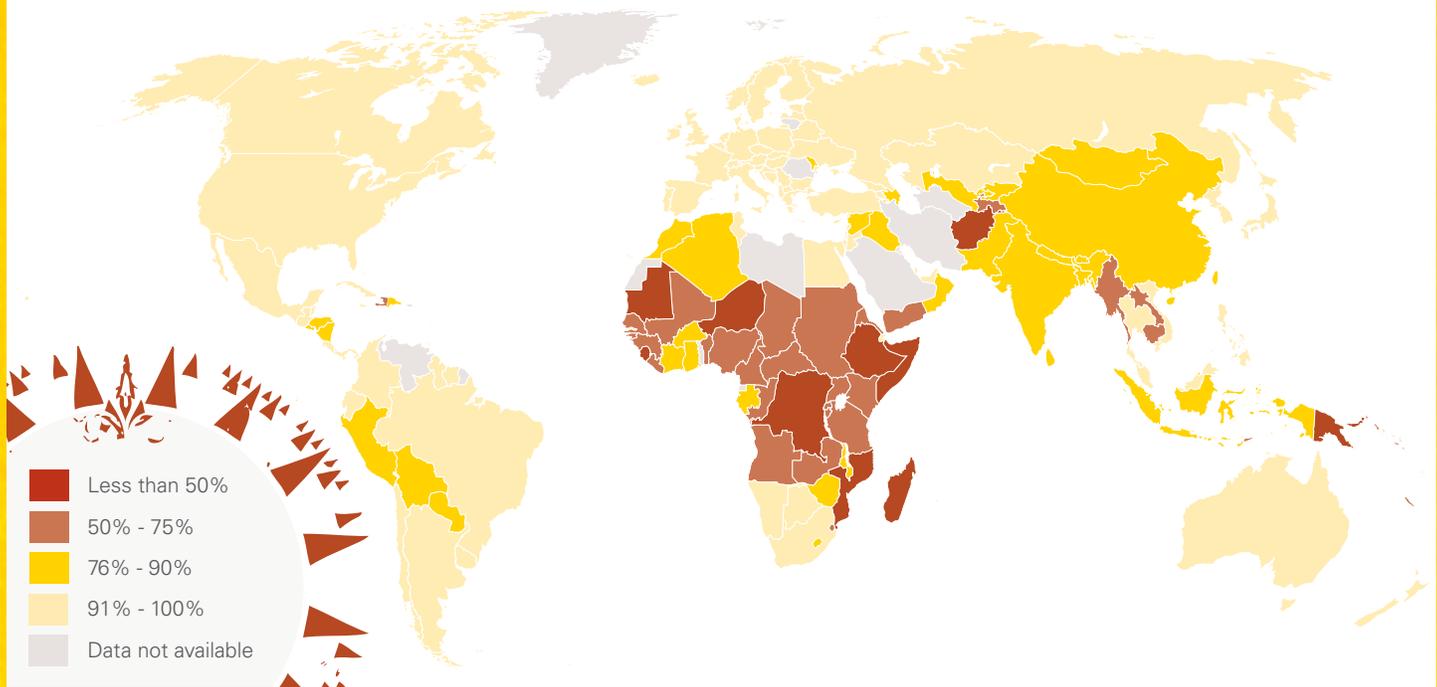
**BUT I
THE LORD
WILL ANSWER
THEM.**

Isaiah 41:17



884 MILLION PEOPLE LIVE WITHOUT ACCESS TO SAFE WATER.

Proportion of the world's population using an improved source of drinking water (%)



Source: World Health Organization, 2008



THE WORLD WATER CRISIS IS SPIRITUAL.

Water is a tangible expression of the good news we share. In the developing world, nothing is a better expression of God's love than safe drinking water and the life it offers—nothing, that is, except the love offered to us by Christ. Clean drinking water is good news for the health of children, the lives of women, education of the young, and the economies of the poor. A community transformed by the good news of life-giving water in Jesus' name is an easy place to embrace the good news of his salvation.

PRAYER CHANGES EVERYTHING.

Prayer changes the world. If this seems possible to you, then please join us in a global movement to pray for the thirsty. If it doesn't, then please see for yourself. Pray with us for 21 days and watch the transformation happen. Join us in this journey of prayer and see its power to touch lives on the other side of the world. Watch God use us to answer the prayers of others. Witness the power of prayer to transform lives around the world, as well as the ones we're living here.

21 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE GLOBAL WATER CRISIS

Could a world-wide network of churches, well-drillers, schools, offices, and individuals change the world—by praying? Join us and see! Pray in unity with people around the world about specific aspects of the world water crisis, and witness the impact of prayer for yourself.



HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Set aside time to pray every day for 21 days about the people and situations listed here.
- Invite your church, prayer group, Bible study or a group of friends to join you for 21 days of prayer.
- Pray as a group one day a week.
- Visit www.prayforwater.org for downloadable resources and share them.
- Spread the word by Twitter, Facebook, email, and word of mouth. Every pray-er counts!
- Check www.prayforwater.org for updates and prayers from around the world and for results after our 21st day of unified prayer.
- Tell us how praying for water for 21 days affected you on our facebook page, or by email at pray@water.cc.

ABOUT LIVING WATER INTERNATIONAL

Living Water International exists to demonstrate the love of God by helping communities acquire desperately needed clean water, and to experience “living water”—the gospel of Jesus Christ—which alone satisfies the deepest thirst.

Living Water began drilling wells in 1990 to tangibly demonstrate the love of God as well as share it. Working in 25 countries around the world and motivated by Christian faith, Living Water strives to implement the most effective and sustainable water, sanitation, and hygiene solutions because water is foundational to all development, physical and spiritual. For more information visit www.water.cc.



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21 days of prayer

Use these daily prayer points to help guide your journey. Invite others to do the same. People around the world are praying along with you. Unified prayer is powerful.

HEALTH. Pray for...

- 1** A toddler. Precious smile, cavity-stained tooth, bright brown eyes, and dirt-smudged toes. 1 in 3 in her Amazon village doesn't survive—pray she does.
- 2** Children. A child dies from water-related disease every 15 seconds. Pray today that we prevent just one.
- 3** Parents. Many moms and dads we serve do not name their babies before age 2 because anonymous death hurts less. Pray for their peace.
- 4** Hospital staff. Half the world's hospital beds are occupied by people suffering from waterborn illness.
- 5** The Body of Christ. That we may heal others as Christ did.

EDUCATION. Pray for...

- 6** A Ugandan teacher. Several times she has interrupted a school day to carry a child to the hospital, where he later died. Pray for her love to remain strong.
- 7** A Liberian girl. She's 12 years old with big dreams, but dropped out of school today. In Sub-Saharan Africa, unsafe water is the primary cause of dropout for girls.
- 8** 400,000,000 school-age children infected right now by guinea worms, schistosomiasis, roundworms, whipworms, and hookworms consuming their nutrients and slowing cerebral development.
- 9** American schoolchildren. Each year, thousands of American kids make water their only beverage for two weeks and give what they save to provide water. Their impact is real. Pray God gives them joy.

WOMEN. Pray for...

- 10** A new mother. She is too malnourished and dehydrated to produce mother's milk. Holding her first baby in her arms, she is scared.
- 11** Laborers. Breakfast means chopping wood building a fire, and a walk to the river. Women perform 66% of the world's work. Pray for them.

- 12** Mothers. Each year 1.8 million children die of diarrhea. Pray for their mothers' broken hearts.

- 13** Participation. Water projects designed and run with women's participation are more sustainable and effective. Pray for women to be empowered.

POVERTY. Pray for...

- 14** The time-impoorished. Women in Sub-Saharan Africa spend 40 billion hours each year just hauling water.

- 15** The industrious. In the Kibera slum in Kenya an industrious young man sells water from a new well for pennies a gallon, allowing women to remain safe at home.

- 16** A sugarcane harvester. He earns \$3.50 a day, spends \$0.72 on bus fare, and \$0.50 on water that makes him sick.

- 17** The rich. Pray for those of us who are wealthy but feel poor because we have less than someone else. Pray for our freedom.

SPIRIT. Pray for...

- 18** Vision. Read Isaiah 35 and pray that we too see visions of water gushing forth in the wilderness, burning sands becoming pools, and the thirsty ground bubbling springs.

- 19** The helper. Read Isaiah 41 and pray that in our work the poor and needy will see and know that the hand of the Lord has done this.

- 20** Jesus in disguise. Read Matthew 25 and pray that we see Christ in the thirsty and give him a drink.

- 21** The reward. Meditate on Mark 9:41: "I tell you the truth, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to Christ will certainly not lose his reward."