



# WATER WINS

## Faithful Supporters,

**G**reetings and Blessings to you and your families this Christmas season. As we prepare to close the year, we wanted to share some reflections on Water Wins 2020.

We are thankful that there have been no known cases of COVID 19 in the EKA which may be attributed to the fact that testing is not available in the EKA. However, the EKA has experienced many cases of malaria and we are thankful Joseph and our health team are able to treat these cases. Even though there were no known cases of COVID 19, the schools in Niger State and Kebbi State, where EKA is located, were ordered shut down in March. Our Academy Leader, Ilyia, figured out ways to give books to students to continue the learning process. The schools did finally open in late October for which we are very thankful.

Unfortunately, the greatest threat Water Wins continues to face is the violence and kidnappings that are all too common in Nigeria and now have become a reality in the EKA. Currently, the roads are unsafe to travel even for our local team members which prevented the rotary rig from making it to the EKA in 2020. Thankfully our drilling team led by Project Coordinator Amos and the drilling crew were able to drill 16 wells using the old percussion rigs. We were also able to maintain the over 500 wells in EKA to assure proper working of all handpumps and wells in the region. Prayers are needed that violence will subside so that Blessed Hope Resources can return to the EKA in 2021 with the rotary rig.

Even amidst the violence, God's provision and wisdom have been experienced by our team. In March of this year, we connected in the USA with a mission organization called Multiplication Network Ministries (MNM). The main objective of this organization is to help churches plant more churches. Since this is exactly what we want to do in Nigeria, we met and found we were very aligned. We quickly concluded that our meeting was no coincidence. This summer a Memorandum of Understanding was drafted and signed between Christian Reformed Church-Nigeria, who train and provide our Evangelists, and MNM. MNM's first project would be a church planting initiative in the EKA!

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Fast forward to December of 2020: Water Wins evangelists have completed 5 modules of the church planting MNM curriculum and Pastor Iliya Justice and his team are re-energized to bring the Good News of Jesus Christs to the many people who have never heard the Gospel in the EKA – we praise God!

While we have not been able to visit the EKA for over 2 years, in March we were able to meet with our Water Wins team in Abuja, Nigeria. Being together was a wonderful reminder that God provides through an amazing Nigerian team who are growing healthy Christian communities in the EKA. This Christmas as we celebrate the greatest gift ever given, we will give thanks for a year that may not have gone as we planned, but God's work prevailed!

God's Blessings to you this Christmas!

Mario Veldhuijzen & The Water Wins Team

**50**

**Wells planned  
for 2021**

**483**

**Total wells  
maintained**

**433**

**Wells drilled  
since 2005**

**97**

**Wells repaired  
in 2020**



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