



Event Info:

Who: The Marist College School of Management Business Leadership Council

What: Charity Event

When: Sunday, February 22nd, 2009 from 12pm-4pm

Where: Marist Performing Arts Room (PAR)

Why: To raise money for the drilling and construction of a clean water well in Ghana



Marist College School of Management Council of Business Leadership

Mission Statement

The School of Management Council of Business Leadership is a knowledge sharing community that inspires students and faculty to collaborate in meaningful endeavors, fosters engagement between clubs, and promotes a spirit of cooperation with its stakeholders. Together the Council nurtures leadership, promotes personal growth and provides a forum where business students can fully enjoy their School of Management Experience.



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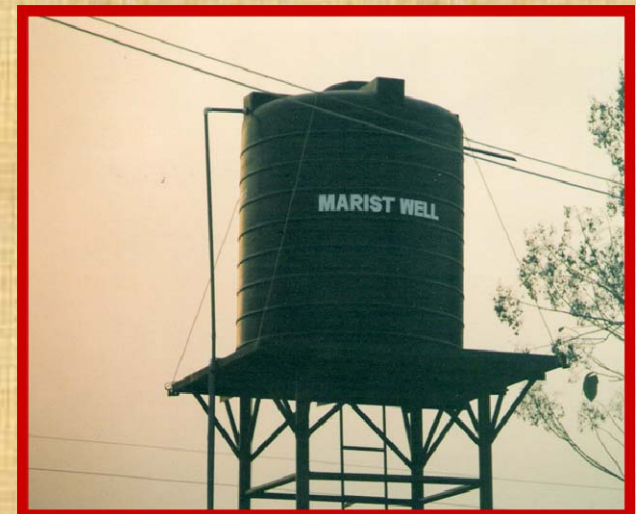
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ONE WELL AT A TIME



The Need for Water in Ghana



The Republic of Ghana is a fairly small country in West Africa on the Gulf of Guinea. The country is one of Africa's most successful

and stable democracies and has twice the per capita output of the poorer countries in West Africa.

Regardless of these accomplishments, access to clean water is still a struggle for many of Ghana's citizens. Over 30 percent of the rural population in Ghana does not have access to safe drinking water. Nationally, 22 percent of the population still lacks access to clean water. Women and children are forced to walk or travel long distances in search for sanitary water, which may never be found due to the severely dry weather that often plagues the country. As a result, these people, especially the poor, are relying on untreated water.

This consumption of unsafe water in Ghana, along with poor sanitation and hygiene practices, continues to result in diarrhea, worm infestation and other water and sanitation-related diseases, which can lead to death and disability. Children are usually the first to get sick and die from these diseases.

The Wenchi Water Project

The Wenchi Water Project Company, Ltd. was established in 1984 in order to increase the availability of fresh, clean water in the most indigent areas of Africa. The company currently collaborates with the Catholic Diocese of Sunyani in efforts to raise funds for the drilling of mechanized boreholes that will supply hygienic water to small communities in Ghana.

Last year, the Marist College School of Management Council of Business Leadership assisted the Diocese in their aspirations by successfully raising \$10,000 of the \$14,000 cost to drill such a structure. The well was built in the small village of Abesim and was entitled, "The Marist Well."



How You Can Help

This year, the Council of Business Leadership has again pledged to raise \$10,000 to drill a borehole in the village of Chiraa, Ghana. The well would impact about 2,500 people, mostly school children of small-scale farmers. The project will be conducted in close relation with the District Water and Sanitation Team, a government water authority. Upon completion, the borehole will be named, "The Hudson Valley Well."

By contributing a tax deductible donation towards the Wenchi Water Project, *you* are making a difference in the lives of many people. Your donation will help provide access to the clean water necessary to perform the activities essential for life.

How to Make Your Tax Deductible Contribution:

Please make checks payable to *Marist College* and on the memo line of your check, please write *Water for the World Project*.

