Providing water, health & hope since 1977
2012 Annual Report
“We were like slaves, working hard and living in very poor conditions and getting very poor water. But now, the current and future generations are drinking safe and clean water. And they go to school. I hope that will continue.”

Amina, Widow and Grandmother, Ethiopia

"I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink."

Matthew 25:35
Water is the Key to Global Health

No other single intervention is more likely to have a significant impact on global poverty than the provision of safe water. It is the key to global health.

(Schuster-Wallace et al, Safe Water as the Key to Global Health, United Nations University, 2008)

A Word from the Founder

My wife Lorraine and I are blessed and privileged to have helped lay the foundation for the ministry of Lifewater so many years ago. We didn’t have some grand vision. Our family was in the water pump business, so it was natural for us to think about how water could be used to share the love of God among the poor who do not have access to safe water. We just wanted to use the tools and experience God had given us to help people. Now 36 years later, we see that by God’s grace alone, approximately 2 million people have been helped in 40 countries. We give thanks to God for His mighty blessing on this work.

What we treasure most are the memories of seeing mothers and children pumping water at Lifewater wells. It is a beautiful thing to have been able to meet them, get to know them and over time see the renewed health, hope and wellbeing in their eyes shining back at you. Those smiles, I’ll never forget their smiles.

I am extremely excited to have Justin Narducci, our new Chief Executive Officer at the helm of Lifewater. Justin has broad experience overseas. He is an accomplished leader and visionary. I am also very pleased to hear encouraging news about Lifewater from the people we serve in Ethiopia, Uganda and Cambodia. In this report you will hear their voices. They tell the Lifewater story better than anyone.

What I love about Lifewater is that it takes so little to do so much. Working together with the people we serve: mothers and fathers, grandparents and leaders, we have been able to put an end to needless suffering and death among hundreds of thousands of people simply by providing safe water, sanitation and hygiene. God has given us the tools, the know-how and the partners to make a lifetime difference in each community. I thank you for all that you have done and are doing to join us in this fight.

William Ashe
Lifewater Founder
Digging Deep to Bring Lasting Impact

Water is the foundation for life. Without water, all things suffer, yet with water there is growth and vitality. Water impacts every dimension of life, bringing health and hope wherever it flows. For all generations. Together, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)...

**WASH Rescues Children from Deadly Disease**
Access to safe water rescues children from diarrheal diseases which kill more young children than malaria, measles and HIV/AIDS combined.

**WASH Protects Women and Young Girls**
By providing convenient access to safe water, women and girls no longer bear the crippling burden of carrying water long distances, reducing their risk of malnutrition, back problems and anemia.

**WASH Restores Family Health**
Simply by teaching children and families to properly wash their hands can decrease the risk of water borne disease in a community by 47 percent.

**WASH Gives Opportunity for Education**
Approximately 443 million school days each year are missed due to water related illnesses. Safe water puts children back in school.

**WASH Fuels Economic Growth**
Every $1 invested in water and sanitation results in $4 - $8 returned in the form of saved time, increased productivity and reduced health costs.

“We are hoping to make this water source last so long we can hand it over to the next generation.”
Haiano, Water Committee Member

Water, hygiene & sanitation can reduce the number of deaths caused by diarrheal diseases by an average of 65%.
There is Much at Stake

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 1 John 3:16

Lasting impact was the most attractive aspect that drew me to the opportunity to lead Lifewater. Why is lasting impact important? Lasting impact, or sustainability, is necessary to foster true transformation, to ensure the benefits of safe water and sanitation are not fleeting fixes.

Lifewater continues to address these great global challenges head-on and our commitment to creating lasting impact has never been stronger. This year alone, we have strategic plans in place to provide 60,000 people with clean water and improved health by creating access to basic hygiene and sanitation services, for life.

As we look ahead, I hope that you are as encouraged as I am. And I hope that you are as committed as I am to ensuring that 60,000 people won’t have to suffer or perish needlessly. We can’t do this work alone, and certainly can’t do it without your generous support of this cause. There is much at stake and I’m grateful to serve with you.

Justin Narducci
Chief Executive Officer

Multiplying the Impact of Water and the Good News Through Partnership

Lifewater works in partnership with in-country organizations. Knowing the language, culture and challenges, they are deeply rooted in the communities they serve. Lifewater helps to build their capacity with tools and training that enable them to demonstrate the love of God in word and deed. We call this process of bringing lasting physical, social and spiritual change, ‘transformational development’. Every dollar invested has a far-reaching impact as transformed villages influence neighboring villages with the expertise, training and Good News they have received.
Digging Deep in Ethiopia

Field Summary: Rebuilding communities ravaged by drought and disease

No stranger to water shortages and disease, only 31 percent of the population living in Ethiopia’s rural areas have access to safe water. These communities have been devastated by three years of drought causing a humanitarian catastrophe. The nomadic cattle herders of this area, 50-85% of the population, are especially impacted by droughts. If seasonal rains fail, so do the pastures that sustain the livestock. Since beginning work in Ethiopia in 2003, Lifewater’s programs in Ethiopia provided safe and reliable drinking water to more than 110,000 people. Community-based education helps families improve their hygiene practices at home with simple behavior changes such as hand washing, latrine use and safe water storage. As the health of individuals and communities continues to rise, and with more tools to prepare for future droughts, there is a greater sense of hope about the future.

Impact in 2012

A total of 28,383 men, women and children were served, equipped, trained and empowered with safe water access, sanitation and hygiene through strategic partnership with Mekane Yesus Church in Oromiya, Ethiopia.

Results in Ethiopia Over Past 5 Years

Based upon field results, more than 110,000 people have benefited from the multiplying impact of transformational knowledge, expertise, training and the ongoing work of Lifewater partners.

In 2012

28,383 provided with safe water
16,978 provided access to sanitation facilities
29,158 benefited from hygiene education
50 safe water projects
2102 sanitation facilities

“It has been a very life-changing project. The hygiene and sanitation practices that you taught have changed not only the community where the project is being implemented but have gone into surrounding neighborhoods, and they are changing. It has grown from bottom up!”

Deed Jaldessa - director of the Development and Social Services Commission for the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus (2004-2012)
Digging Deep in Uganda

In 2012
15,830 provided with safe water
1,914 provided access to sanitation facilities
33 safe water projects
319 sanitation facilities
12,909 individuals trained in hygiene

Field Summary: Restoring Hope
After Devastating Civil War

From the early 1990s through the early 2000s, northern Uganda was devastated by violent conflicts between the religious rebel group the Lord’s Resistance Army (LRA), and government forces. Now the imminent threat of the LRA has subsided, however the effects of the war are causing ongoing suffering. Communities are rebuilding, but decades of war destroyed basic infrastructures, disrupted traditional farming practices, and led to a crippling cycle of dependence on foreign aid. This project is restoring dignity by successfully helping communities regain access to safe water, construct appropriate sanitation facilities, and re-institute knowledge of hygiene practices. In addition, this project targets previously overlooked widow-led and orphan-led households.

Impact in 2012
A total of 15,830 men, women and children were served, equipped, trained and empowered with safe water access, sanitation and hygiene through our national partners.

Results in Uganda Over Past 5 Years
Based upon field results, more than 160,000 people have benefited from the multiplying impact of transformational knowledge, expertise, training and the ongoing work of Lifewater partners.
Cambodia: Laying the Foundation

Field Summary: Urgent Opportunities Among Refugees and Migrant Workers

Lifewater has been invited to work in partnership with Cambodia Hope Organization (CHO). CHO is led by dedicated Christian national leaders who are working among the neediest refugee and migrant worker villages on the border between Cambodia and Thailand. In 2012, in partnership with these Cambodian leaders, we were privileged to help lay the groundwork for all future Lifewater programs.

When you initiate work with in-country partners who do not have experience in transformational water development, you have to start at the beginning and lay a good foundation. After months of intensive collaboration, training, planning and design work, we are already beginning to see tangible results. Field trainers have also completed several hygiene training programs in several communities. The first water projects are now being completed.

We are praying earnestly that our success among poor village communities in Cambodian border areas will lead to multiplied future opportunities in scores more villages throughout the country.
# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2013**

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**TOTAL ASSETS**  
$983,887

## LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

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**TOTAL NET ASSETS**  
$896,294

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**  
$983,887

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

**YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2013**

## SUPPORT AND REVENUE

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**TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE**  
$1,962,174  
$30,836  
$1,993,010

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**TOTAL EXPENSES**  
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## CHANGE IN NET ASSETS

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**CHANGE IN NET ASSETS**  
$219,546  
$30,836  
$250,382

**NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR**  
$193,724

**NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR**  
$413,270
Our Goal for 2013: Lifewater for 60,000 People

So much more needs to be done. The need for safe water in the rural villages of Africa and Asia is urgent. With over 35 years behind us and over 2 million people served, we see these needs before us and we are ready to expand our work and reach. Much is at stake: New opportunities are before us. We have never been more excited about the future.

In 2013, our goal is to help 60,000 people in the remote rural villages of Ethiopia, Uganda and Cambodia with life saving access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene and the knowledge of God’s love in Christ. We can’t do it without the help of friends like you. Please help us dig deeper with love and compassion into the lives those who need help now.

For the sake of his people, Shunta strives every day to put into practice what he has learned from Lifewater. He insists that the investments made by partners like you will bring lasting change for years to come.
"I am so happy for the training on women’s participation in the management of the water source. In the past, women were considered as nothing towards the contribution of community development. Now that we are taught to participate, I will take full control of our water point so that it can serve even our grandchildren. I thank the team from Divine Water (Uganda) who showed that it was important for us to be trained with this kind of information. It will help to reduce conflicts in homes."

Mrs. Grace Odongo, 54 years old, Uganda

"I can’t explain the problems I went through when I gave birth to my first child because of water problems. It was really scarce. I couldn’t wash my child and my clothes as required. Now, I can imagine how much my second child (one year old) is lucky as he is enjoying drinking and washing himself as he desires. You know bringing up children without water is unbearable. Thanks to the project there is no more consumption of unsafe water."

Mrs. Mekiya Diko, 26 years old, Ethiopia
Lifewater is not just a mission organization. We are a deep well of God-inspired people like you from many walks of life. People consumed with a bold-hearted determination to bring radical spiritual and physical health, wholeness and hope into the dry places of the world where human beings are suffering from poverty, disease, injustice and neglect. It is for them that Lifewater shares the celebration of water and the enduring wellness it brings to every dimension of life.