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No More Waiting for Water

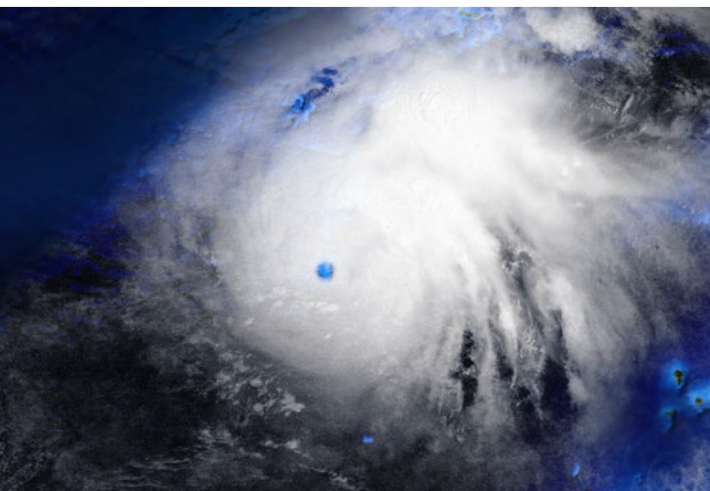
“The disciples, as each one was able, decided to provide help for the brothers and sisters living in Judea. This they did, sending their gift to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.”

Acts 11:29-30, NIV

Every time they became thirsty during the school day, the 339 students at Saraswati Secondary school in Nepal had to wait their turn to fetch water from a small stream. Sometimes they missed their study breaks, fights broke out, and teachers and parents were frustrated.

A nearby school, however, faced no such challenge after a child-friendly water distribution system was built by CWRD partner Nepal Christian Relief Service. The leaders at Saraswati realized the same change would be necessary for their students to succeed.

The Saraswati principal, school board, parents, and local community representatives appealed to Nepal Christian Relief Service. In less than two months, the construction of a new water tap was complete. **Now the wait for water is over for students at Saraswati Secondary School. Parents and teachers are grateful to God as the children can now focus on their studies with ease.**



Hurricanes Eta and Iota

Central America suffered its worst natural disaster in 40 years on November 4.

Hurricane Eta made landfall on the eastern coast as a Category 4 hurricane. Then two weeks later, Hurricane Iota hit, less than 15 miles away.

The hurricanes left devastation in their wake as landslides, high winds, and flooding have destroyed 7,000 homes, 16 health facilities, 45 schools, and nearly 560 miles of roads. More than 200,000 people are staying in temporary shelters. An estimated 3.4 million people were directly affected by the hurricanes, including 1.5 million who need urgent humanitarian aid.

Sixty local World Relief staff are on the ground in Nicaragua, partnering with local churches to provide for the most pressing needs such as food, clean water, shelter, medicine, and Covid-19 prevention items.

Please consider giving to our disaster relief fund to help World Relief continue to respond to Hurricanes Eta and Iota, and to come alongside other global partners as they respond to unforeseen disaster in their communities.

"We thank you for your continued donations which support our partners as they work to be the hands and feet of Jesus to their communities."



Hands with Hope

The Hands with Hope Foundation distributed the last of the CWRD emergency funds in response to the Covid-19 pandemic in Medellín, Colombia. **With the support of other nonprofit organizations, the CWRD emergency fund helped Hands with Hope to come alongside communities with 126 food deliveries, nine emergency cash donations, and 1,440 cans of formula for children.**

The delivery of these resources also provided a means through which Hands with Hope could engage in direct contact with the

community. Distribution of humanitarian aid was exempt from isolation orders from the Colombian government, so Hands with Hope was able to deepen relationships with local residents while proclaiming God's love for them in word and action.

Please pray with us for continued protection for our global partners as they come alongside people affected by the social and economic consequences of the pandemic. We thank you for your continued donations which support our partners as they work to be the hands and feet of Jesus to their communities.



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