



# CWR UPDATE

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## Community Resilience After Earthquake in Mexico

Sixteen months after a devastating earthquake hit the Isthmus in the state of Oaxaca (Mexico), CWR director David Husby was able to visit the area to assess the recovery work. Together with CWR partner Fuentes Libres, CWR provided immediate relief and a long-term recovery program following the earthquake. The resilience of the community has been enhanced by two



Fuentes Libres Staff, Oaxaca, Mexico.



An improved press for making totopos

Fuentes Libres women's community savings groups. Using their God-given creativity and ingenuity, these women have designed household tools and other instruments to improve their livelihoods. They are currently seeking ways to market these more broadly. Fuentes Libres also started a CWR-funded

Kids Club last August for the children of the women in the community savings groups. Through the leadership of Fuentes Libres, these women have more than recovered from the earthquake. They are now filled with confidence and hope for an even brighter future for their families and community.



## Sustainable Water Source in Haiti

CWR partner Haiti Christian Development Fund recently completed a CWR-funded water project in the community of Leksi, which is located on a mountain ridge. Through the leadership of Fauvelt Smith and the labor of the community, they were able to complete the project that uses solar power to pump water from a spring 900 feet below! Thanks to all who give so generously to Project Blue so that many gain access to clean water. [CovChurch.org/projectblue](http://CovChurch.org/projectblue)

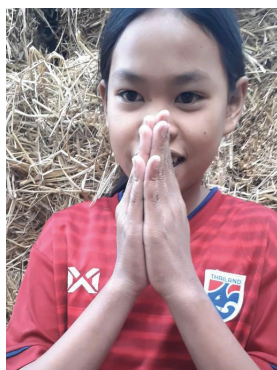
“Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert.” —ISAIAH 44:6b

# Kids Recycling in Thailand for a Better Future

Each year, Covenant World Relief leads the development of a free resource for children called Kids Helping Kids. This year we are sharing stories from Covenant partners around the world about how children are caring for God's creation. Below is an excerpt from this year's resource, available to all churches on April 1. These stories are written at an elementary school reading level so that all children may understand and learn from our global partners.

**My name is Aranya.** I am 11 years old and I am studying in primary school, grade 6, in northeast Thailand. I love God. I love the creation of the world and the kingdom of heaven. It shows me God's greatness and reminds me that no one can create like him.

God created the sun, moon, and stars. He gives us days and months that make a winter season and a summer season. In God's majesty God



created plants. God created to show his faithfulness, so that humans, plants, and animals can rely on one another.

But humans do not always love the world, and we cause the world to be damaged. We make it dirty, and we even throw plastic out that ends up in the seas. The aquatic animals eat it and then die. The same thing happens in the forest where animals eat plastic and then die. This damages our world.

That is why recycling is so important. I'm so glad there is a garbage recycling program for us through the Thai Faith and Music Foundation. This is one way we can help protect the world's environment and save animals from dying. I am learning so much about how to make our world cleaner, and this makes me happy. I want to care for the environment and teach others to do the same.



**AVAILABLE APRIL 2019 FOR DOWNLOAD**

FREE 12-Part Resource  
Encouraging Children to  
Live into God's Mission

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## Project Blue Continues - Clean Water Around the World

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India	Yemen
Kenya	

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