

Water For Cameroon.....News.....

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Visit to Cameroon in August 2010.....

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This visit to the North West of Cameroon is specifically for people who are interested in seeing how the Water Project there is working.

You will see what is happening with this project, learn about what we are trying to achieve and meet with the communities we are working with.

There are actually three types of projects, Well construction and rehabilitation, Bio Sand Filter Construction, and Community Development .

All of these are specific projects and to a large extent have different people from the community working on them. All the projects are primarily about people, they are organised by people from the community for the benefit of all the community.

One of the aims is to have these projects sustainable and self financing.

To get to the point where a project can be self financing is not easy. Sometimes some initial funding is required. Unless the projects are self financing there is little hope of the project having success in the long term. There are many examples of Projects that had huge amounts of money put into them, only for them to fail over time.

The main reason for this is because often the projects are overly complicated for the context they are expected to operate in, and also because they are expensive to run and maintain, requiring continual outside money to keep them working.

We are trying to learn from mistakes made in the past.

Who should come on the visit.....

If you are over 18 years of age and have an interest in helping to alleviate poverty in the Majority World, and would like to see some simple projects run by members of small communities to help achieve that.

Then this trip is for you.

If you can give up one week from your time.

Then this trip is for you.

If you can raise €3,000---in funding

Then this trip is for you

If you are considering volunteering for a project in the future.

Then this trip is for you.

If you want to see small scale Water Projects, and Community Projects in operation.

Then this trip is for you.



Measuring the depth of a new well.....

What are the Dates for this Trip

Those going on the trip will depart Dublin on **Friday July 30th**, and return to Dublin **on August 8th**.

Because we are departing and returning on the weekend means that you will lose the minimum time from work or other commitments.

Note *****

It is possible to stay for a longer period if some prefer this.

This will be discussed in more detail at the orientation meeting that will be held in Dublin on *****



A young child waiting for her mother to come and collect water

What do I need to do, to go on this Trip

You should contact M. Toolan at 0879972508

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indicating that you have an interest in going on the trip.

You should do this as soon as possible.

A meeting will be held in Dublin on a date suitable for all intending to travel to discuss all aspects of the trip.

We are hoping that six people will be able to make the trip.

The Funding from six people would mean that two wells could be constructed.

The wells are constructed in the poorer more rural parts of the

What is the cost of the Trip

Those going on the trip must raise a total of €3,000 --

This can be raised in a variety of ways including organising fundraising events. We can give advice and some support in helping you to organise your event(s).

You will need to start raising funds immediately.

All travel, food, and accommodation, and vaccination cost are included in the €3,000-

There should be approximately €1,500 per person from the amount raised to go towards Wells/ Bio Filter projects.

You must provide for additional costs for personal spending etc.

Documentation and Medical Requirements

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Those going on the trip in August will need to be sure and have the following

- 1) Up to date Passport.
- 2) Yellow fever vaccinations.
- 3) Visa to enter Cameroon

We will arrange your vaccination at the Tropical Medical Bureau, or you can make your own arrangements on this if you prefer.

You **MUST** have a yellow fever card to enter Cameroon. You will **NOT** be allowed to enter Cameroon if you do not have this card.

We will arrange your Visa. This takes about two weeks and will require your passport being sent to the Cameroon High Commission in London.

We will do this for you.



A new well under Construction



Repairs to an existing well