



Two hundred families ~ one well!

It's been hot in the U.S. Yeah, Diana and I have been in some heat too, but there are many in our country experiencing life again without air-conditioning and fresh water. Triple digit temperatures over consecutive days have in many places taxed infrastructures and people's patience and endurance to the max. In all of this, it escapes many that THIS IS LIFE IN MOST OF THE WORLD. In developing countries air-conditioning is an incredible luxury. Fresh, clean water is not always available. Here's are couple of letters I've received from the border area of Uttar Pradesh, India and Nepal where some water projects are currently being implemented.

Dear Sirs, We are very happy getting Utsaha newsletter published by Barnabas Nepal. Through this newsletter we came to know Barnabas Nepal is helping organization for Nepalese Christian people. We feel these projects are essential for our country. We are from Barah District, Sigauli. We are suffering from scarcity of drinking water. So we would like to request for construction of water pumps. If you help for this project among 200 houses family will be benefited. *Rudra Rasaili*

Dear Sirs, We are very glad getting your Utsaha newsletter. Through this we got information about various programs like animal rearing and income generation programs. I would like to thank God as well as you for this. According to this newsletter we came to know Barnabas provides various programs and also for construction of water pipes. We are from Shanti church family, Navalparasi. In our area there are among 53 house family facing problems of drinking water. Because of financial problems we are unable to solve this problem. I request Barnabas Nepal for the construction of water pipes in our area. *Pastor Shjul Sunar, Shjiva Mandir*

Because of the generous gifts to Barnabas, Diana and I are able to send several thousand dollars to construct and provide very needed water facilities for Christians in these areas this month. The terai borders of Uttar Pradesh and Nepal, as well as Pakistan, are home to temperatures approaching 130 degrees in the hottest seasons. At present they are experiencing the monsoon rains with dangerous floods and acute diseases like Typhoid, but those will dissipate by September and dryness will return.

Some wells are inexpensive by American standards. They can cost as little as \$75. Others that require piping and many days of labor can be as much as \$750. We look for those opportunities where segments of Christian Believers are being repressed or are living in areas that are not productive. To provide fresh drinking water cuts down on disease, promotes healthy crops, farming, and is a blessing only a tired, thirsty, over-heated worker can appreciate. And we haven't even considered air-conditioning. **They just want water!** Thanks for the help folks. Just a cup, in His name. We win in the end!

Ken

