



Honduras Report

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Colonia Gracias a Cristo School
SKYCREST COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Students and staff at the Colonia Gracias a Cristo School faced a difficult situation. With no reliable water sources nearby, their only option was to purchase water from water vendors. However, the water supplied was contaminated and unsafe for drinking. School staff encouraged their students to bring water from home, but the situation was the same at home. With no direct access to safe water in their community, families spent what they could purchasing water from expensive water trucks. Although this water was safer to drink, the cost was unsustainable, forcing families to return to unsafe water sources.

Over time, as students continued to drink from these contaminated sources, many fell ill from waterborne diseases. Students were consistently missing classes, falling further behind in their studies. Parents and school staff were discouraged to see their students struggling so much, knowing that there was nothing they could do but pray for change. As students missed school, parents were forced to stay home to take care of their sick children, foregoing income they desperately needed. With each passing day, families worried about their children's future, yet continued to hold on to hope.

Desperate for a sustainable solution, community leaders came together to see what they could do about the situation. When they heard about the work Living Water International was doing in the area, they reached out for support. Living Water Honduras responded by drilling a new borehole and installing a hand pump directly on the school's grounds! At last, thanks to your incredible generosity, school staff and students at the Colonia Gracias a Cristo School are able to enjoy reliable access to safe water all day long!



With no other water sources nearby, families reluctantly pay the high cost to purchase water from a water truck.



Reaching an underground aquifer at 60 meters, the Living Water staff ensures water safety through testing and treatment, then finishes by installing a hand pump.

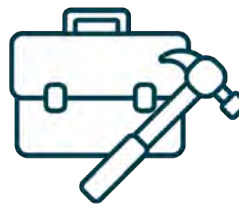


Community Details

Previous water source: water trucks

Total users: 300

Main water collectors: everyone



Construction Details

Pump type: hand pump

Depth of well: 60 m



Students are grateful to have access to reliable, safe water, which enables them to attend school regularly and maintain good health.



These school staff members will serve on the water committee, a volunteer group responsible for managing and maintaining the new hand pump.



Students show off a project they created during a sanitation and hygiene activity focused on oral hygiene led by Living Water trip participants and staff.



After Living Water Trip participants and Living Water staff share the gospel with residents, Bibles are distributed for them to read and enjoy.

In Their Own Words

Marvin Zuniga, a 48-year-old teacher, shared about the school's difficulties with the water crisis: "The school was forced to purchase water to meet its daily needs, yet this water was not safe to drink. Because the supply was unreliable, students were required to bring water from home. When some families could not afford to buy water, children drank from the school's stored supply, which led to many falling ill with stomach problems and fever."

Now, Marvin is grateful for the many benefits safe water will bring to his community. He said, "With the completion of this new water project, the school is no longer afraid to consume its water, bringing health, safety, and peace of mind to students and staff."



Marvin [right] shares with a Living Water staff member about how the water crisis has impacted his life.

Your Impact

Skycrest Community Church, thank you for providing safe water to your neighbors in Honduras! Because of your generosity, daily life for students and staff at the Colonia Gracias a Cristo School is so much easier. With reliable access to safe water, students are more energized and focused, setting them up to thrive in their studies for years to come. For parents, a heavy burden has been lifted from their shoulders, bringing peace of mind as their children return to the classroom. Through the workshops you funded, students gained valuable sanitation and hygiene skills that will equip them to stay healthy all year long. Additionally, your gift also made it possible for students to have an encounter with the *living water* of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for giving water, for life, in Jesus' name!