

# UGANDAN WATER PROJECT

## UGANDA — EGCer James Harrington leads the Ugandan Water Project.

The Ugandan Water Project is a humanitarian effort that places rainwater collection tanks on churches and schools throughout the East African nation of Uganda. Founded in 2007 by James Harrington and Derek Levendusky, this project began as part of Isaiah Six Ministries. After two and a half years of growth and development, Isaiah Six has 'birthed' the Ugandan Water Project as an independent non-profit organization under the leadership of James Harrington, who has been the project Director since its inception.

The three major goals of the Ugandan Water Project: 1. Provide safe accessible drinking water to communities across Uganda. 2. Strengthen communities by providing resources and training that have a community-wide benefit working through the organic relationships with established local organizations such as schools, clinics, churches, and orphanages. 3. Facilitate relationships between U.S. sponsors and communities in Uganda through resources, documentation, correspondence and trips.

Funding for rainwater collection tanks comes from sponsoring groups and individuals. A majority of the sponsors to date have been local churches who have responded to the need shared through Isaiah Six concerts and events. Tanks have also been sponsored by individuals, families, public schools, and college groups. More than 20 Ugandan communities have been impacted by this work, which has resulted in a dramatic drop in disease rates and increased enrollment in schools, and church attendance at some locations has doubled!

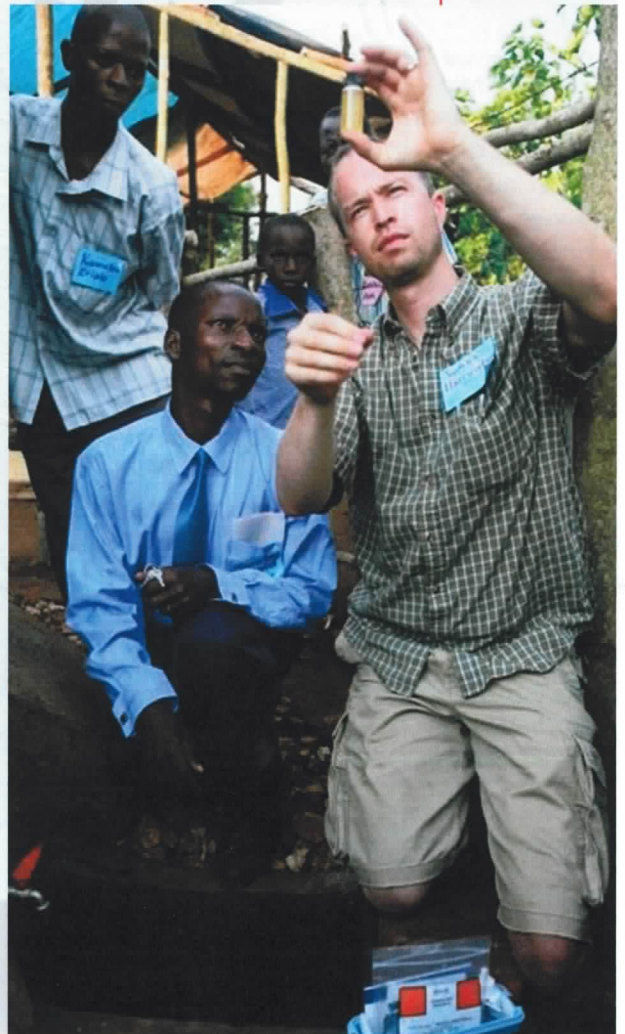
In addition to the funding of water tanks, the Ugandan Water Project has also sent several teams to Uganda to document the work, visit potential sites of future projects, connect sponsors in a personal way to the communities they are helping, and to encourage local churches with music and teaching. Many of the team members have been part of the greater Elim community, and most of the churches that have received water tanks in Uganda are Elim churches. The next team will travel to Uganda in early February and will conduct a comprehensive documentation of the impact that has been made in the lives of local people.

An unexpected opportunity with humanitarian ministry is the chance to engage secular audiences with a way to make an impact and stop human suffering. Speaking to Rotary clubs, college groups and public school assemblies has shown Director James Harrington how engaging audiences in a conversation about compassion and suffering is a spiritual

conversation. With thousands of communities in Uganda still in desperate need of clean drinking water, this new organization and its small but committed team is looking to partner with many more families, churches, businesses and organizations.

For more info about the Ugandan Water Project, upcoming trips, or speaking engagements, contact James Harrington at 585-752-5396 or [ugandanwaterproject@gmail.com](mailto:ugandanwaterproject@gmail.com).

EGCer James Harrington, in photo far right, tests water samples in Uganda. He directs the Ugandan Water Project, which helps supply clean drinking water in Uganda.



## ISRAEL — Pastor Dick & Shan Dreyer are leading a trip to Israel for 2 weeks in May. Want to join their team?

EGC Pastor Dick & Shan Dreyer are leading a team to Israel May 3-17. Would you like to join them? The team will be working with the church at Mt. Carmel in Haifa at their Convocation, which will include worship and teaching for four days. They then will travel throughout Israel for the purpose of prayer at strategic places. This is an opportunity to learn and influence what is happening in Israel and the Middle East through prayer, declaration etc. The cost is about \$2500. For more info, please contact Dick or Shan Dreyer at 624-3261 or [redreyer@gmail.com](mailto:redreyer@gmail.com).



## BASIC College Ministries, continued from page 6 — like this and we think this event will change students' lives as they leave their comfort zones and show Christ's love to the needy.

Thank you for helping us fulfill the vision God has given us! We're excited for a new year "to serve the church / to reach the colleges / to change the world."

— Todd Cavanaugh

BASIC photo on page 6 includes BASIC staff members & EGCers Cheryl Ziegler (in front wearing sweater with bright squares) & her husband Chris (behind to left) and Kelly Hopson (in center wearing black).