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LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Without any doubt I can proclaim, “God is good...all the time”!

Through His grace, CEED had a very productive year. The 35-acre coffee farm is now self-sustaining. We drilled or rehabilitated our 350th clean water borehole with three drilling rigs, three six-man crews, and one three-man rehab crew. These growing project teams are now all in the hands of our Ugandan Management Team headed by Herbert Asiimwe who provides inspiration, leadership, and training based on his fifteen years of experience as CEED’s “Man in Uganda.”

On the other hand, there is so much to do. It is very difficult to spread the Gospel to sick, hungry, and thirsty people...it is impossible to spread it to dead ones.

God ordained that we, in the USA, are an affluent society gifted with abundant resources. He has also charged us with the responsibility (Luke 10:35) to use them to help these less fortunate people stay alive, healthy, fed, and watered. If we do so, with God’s help, they will have a much better chance to hear the Gospel.

I was in Uganda in March 2019 visiting 20 sites which we have dubbed the “I Thirst” sites. In my 20 years of visiting Uganda, I have never been more touched by the plight of these people. They have no access to clean water. I’ve heard that term so often that I believed I knew what it meant, but it was not until I sat down face to face with the villagers and asked specific questions that I started to understand the term.

I heard from parents who had lost children to water-borne diseases. I heard from parents whose children have suffered brain damage and become mentally incapacitated from water-borne diseases, mainly typhoid. And that’s not all...in the dry season, the water levels in these water holes drop so far that the children have to reach perilously far down to scoop it up...and they fall in. I heard from parents whose children had drowned that way recently.

In desperation, some parents will instruct their children to walk 4 or 5 miles to the nearest clean water borehole. By the time they arrive, they are at the end of the line, and the whole morning is gone. If they go for the evening’s supply, they don’t return until well after dark. That puts the girls at risk of being attacked and raped, and that has happened often around these villages. That’s why the distant borehole is rarely visited.

Almost no children in these communities get an education because they miss so much school. The whole village feels trapped and hopeless. They see no way out.

So, what’s the answer? It’s simple!

A borehole!

Every time we drill a borehole, life changes for the community. Typhoid and intestinal diseases disappear, healthy children go to school, productivity increases, and family life improves. Meals are bigger, more numerous, on time and have better ingredients. Churches are built, schools prosper, and the trading center explodes into life. People have time to go to church more often and attend Bible Study. Anger and despair are replaced by joy and hope.

That’s what happened in Mwitanzige. If you look at the video about the situation at the village of Kyaruhagi on the following link: <https://vimeo.com/335752485>, you can see the difference a borehole makes is miraculous.

We drill these wells with small portable drilling rigs that we can carry to remote places where the truck-mounted big rigs cannot go. In 2007 Mwitanzige was covered with thick undergrowth, and the only access was a goat path. Without a portable rig, we could not have drilled that borehole, and that transformation would not have occurred.

The same transformation can occur in all 20 of these “I Thirst” locations. The need is overwhelming, the people are determined to take ownership and maintain the borehole and, above all, they are fully aware of what miseries are suffered by not having access to a good, reliable, source of clean water. So please consider donating \$5,000 to provide one. (I believe that is the lowest borehole price in Uganda). If that’s too big a bite for you individually, please consider leading a team of friends and acquaintances who could jointly provide one. We can put a plaque on the borehole with your name or every name involved in a “team” funding.

During the year, we started a clean water project in Kenya at the Kambi Ya Juu Primary School, which specializes in providing education to visually impaired students. They had a borehole, but it was abandoned because they did not have the funds to fix a broken electric submersible pump nor to pay the very high cost of the national power to run the pump. We did a flow test and found that the borehole could deliver an incredible 35 gallons per minute continuously. That was after a ten-year drought in the area and enough to supply the school and to irrigate the 14 acres of school land they own. The flow test supported what the hydrologists are reporting; that there is plenty of water below the Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs); but it is very deep down, usually 300 feet or more. If it’s below 150 feet, it is not possible to pump up by hand, so an electric pump is mandatory. Fortunately, in a drought-plagued land, there is plenty of sun, and solar energy is free once the initial equipment capital is invested. We fixed the existing pump and planted a one-acre pilot farm to grow high-value crops (spinach, kale, etc.) with the target of simply covering the cost of buying the very expensive “national power” electricity to run the pump. That objective has been achieved and we are now working together with the school Farm Committee on a plan to expand to 14 acres and install a solar system to provide free electricity. The farm should produce significant enough revenue to allow the school to improve the student living conditions and their overall education. (A precious side benefit is that the visually impaired students are being taught horticulture and are actively involved in farming activities so they will have usable skills and knowledge when they graduate).

It is our hope that the Kambi Ya Juu project will be used as a model that can be replicated across the ASALs.

I would personally like to thank all our donors for making it possible for these projects to take root and thrive so that God’s people, who would otherwise be focused on the struggle for survival, can be given the chance to hear and study the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Your servant for Jesus’s sake,
Graham Hodgetts

TO OUR DONORS

In our 20-year history, 2018 has to be considered a banner year!

Financial Highlights

- 70 new wells in the Mubende District, Uganda are producing clean water for about 100,000 people.
- CEED is operating a new state-of-the-art hydraulic rig, purchased by new donors and crewed by a third team of local mechanics.
- An award from the local chapter of Inspired Women is the basis of our new Kenyan project.

Strategic Highlights

- The Wambabya Coffee Farm is now self-sustaining under the management of Mr. Herbert Asiimwe, Director of Operations, CEED Ltd., Uganda.
- A strategic partnership with Giving Grounds Coffee is providing the funds to enlarge the farm with irrigated acreage and to hire more workers.
- The Kambi Ya Juu Primary School project located in Marsabit County, Kenya is our newest project. The first phase, repairing their broken water system, has been completed and now CEED is implementing an agricultural block for the school's curriculum, using local experts and methods to educate the students.

Operating Highlights

- The CEED Foundation was incorporated and registered as a non-profit in Uganda.
- Our equipment is updated with a rock-smashing drill bit and is powered by a new (to us) compressor, enabling our team to be successful in reaching water in more places for more people.

***We are the most efficient and cost-effective
drilling operation in Uganda!***

One cup of fresh water costs 1 ten-thousandth of a penny!

LEADERSHIP

Board of Directors

Graham Hodgetts*, President



Pete Cady

Les Gutzwiller

Worth Helms*

Frank Klein

Greg Kobulnicky

Marc LoDico

Jim West

*Members since 1999

Staff

Herbert Asiimwe, CPA
Director of Operations, CEED LTD, Uganda



Joseph Bayo
Kenya Projects, Marsabit County, Kenya

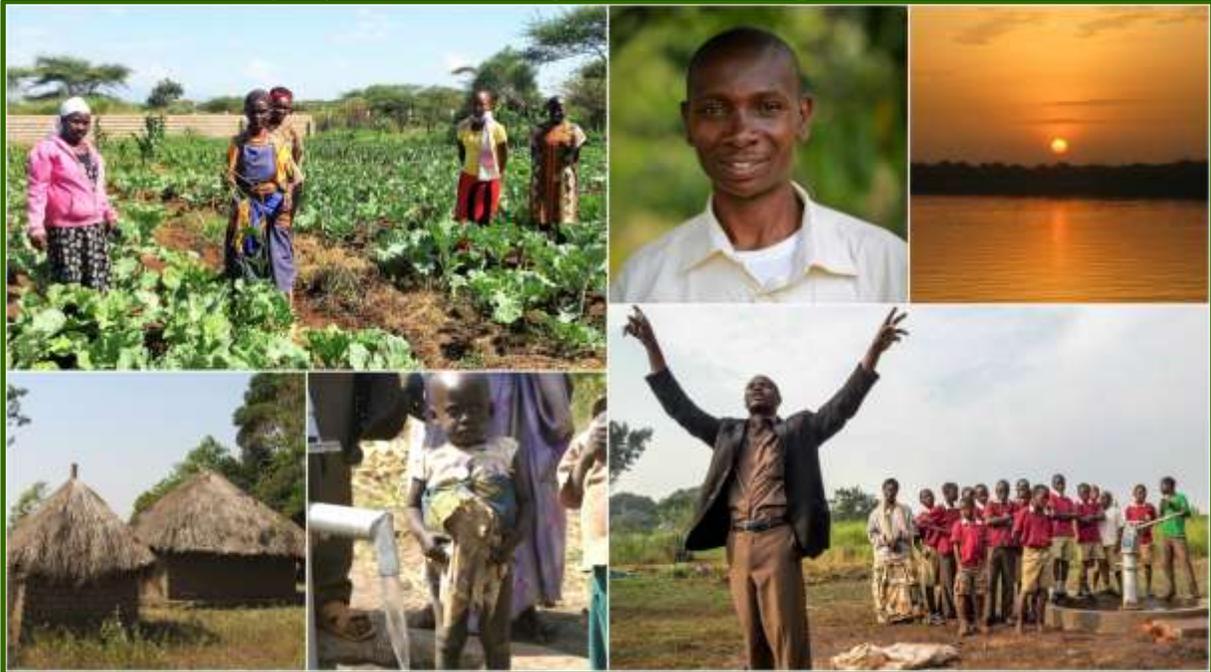
Jill Whitecap, MBA
Business Manager, CEED, USA



CEED's MISSION

Vision

We seek a world where people live in healthy & self-sustaining communities who honor Christ.



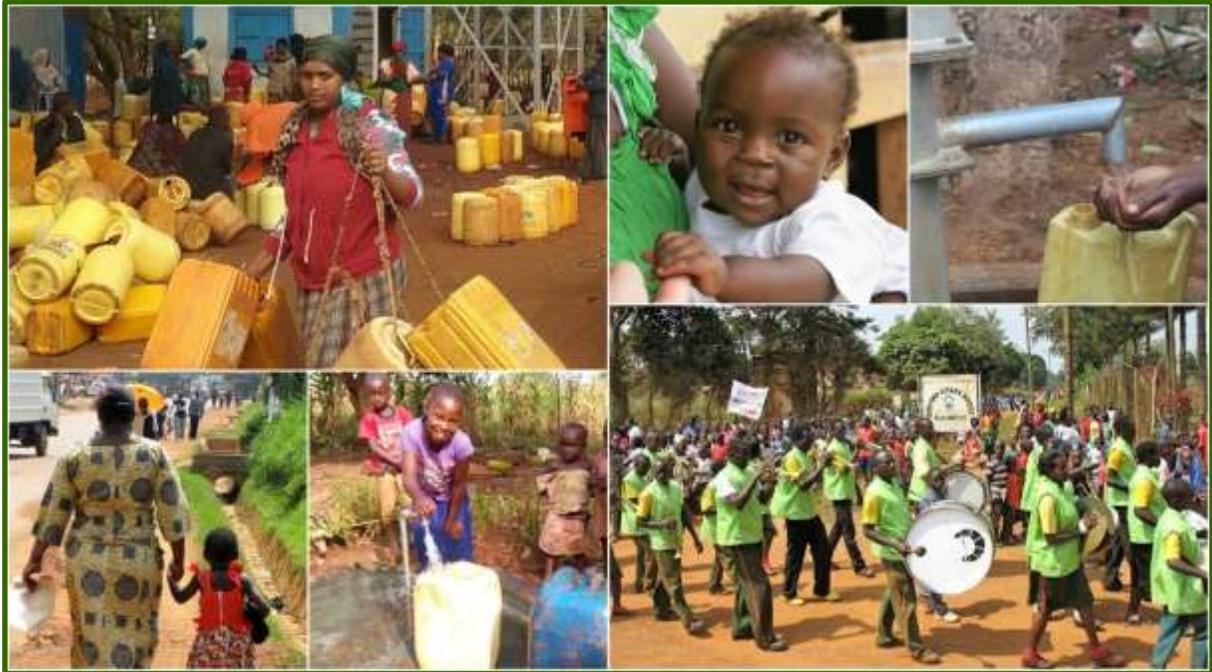
Mission

We assist East Africans in developing healthy & self-sustaining communities who honor Christ in three essential areas:

- Spiritual Health – to encourage disciples who love and live like Jesus.



– Physical Health – to improve the health & well-being of individuals & families.



– Economic Health – to develop ongoing, sustainable living wages for workers.



Values

- Christ-centered – we seek His will in all that we do.
- Local Control – our goal to assist, not control, the efforts of East Africans.
- Self Sustainability – we help create solutions that are not dependent on our long-term involvement.



- Guiding principle – ***Without regard to faith or creed***, we treat each person as our neighbor, created in the image of God, giving the gift of clean water with generosity, respect and compassion.



THE IMPACT



598,000+

People served by more than 350 CEED water wells, lessening the incidence of disease and death

65

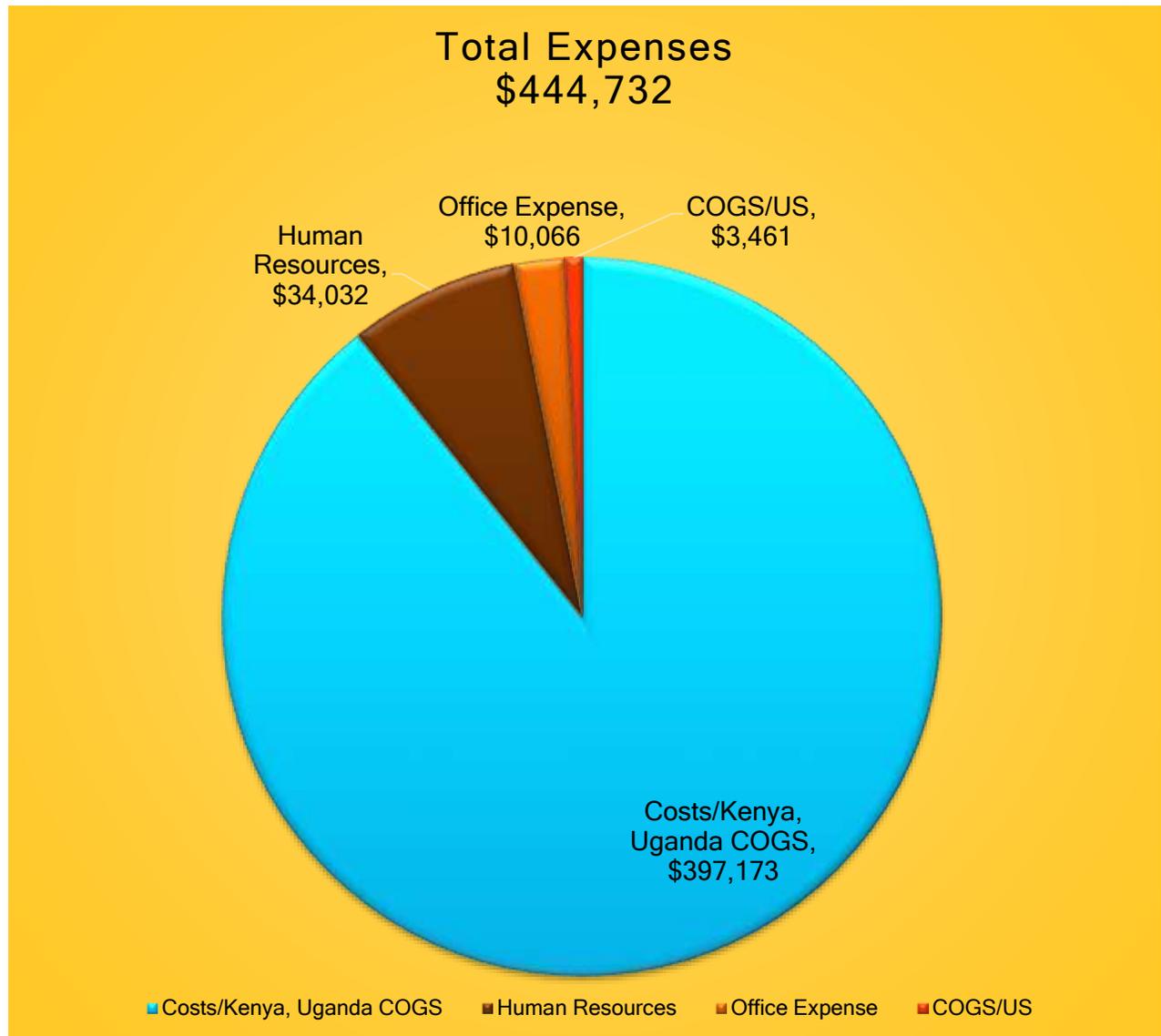
Africans working for CEED, earning wages and supporting their families with dignity and self-respect

460

Students, which includes 36 who are visually-impaired, at the Kambi Ya Juu Primary School, CEED's development project in Marsabit County, northern Kenya, with clean water and agricultural education

THE FINANCIALS FOR 2018

How is your donated dollar spent?



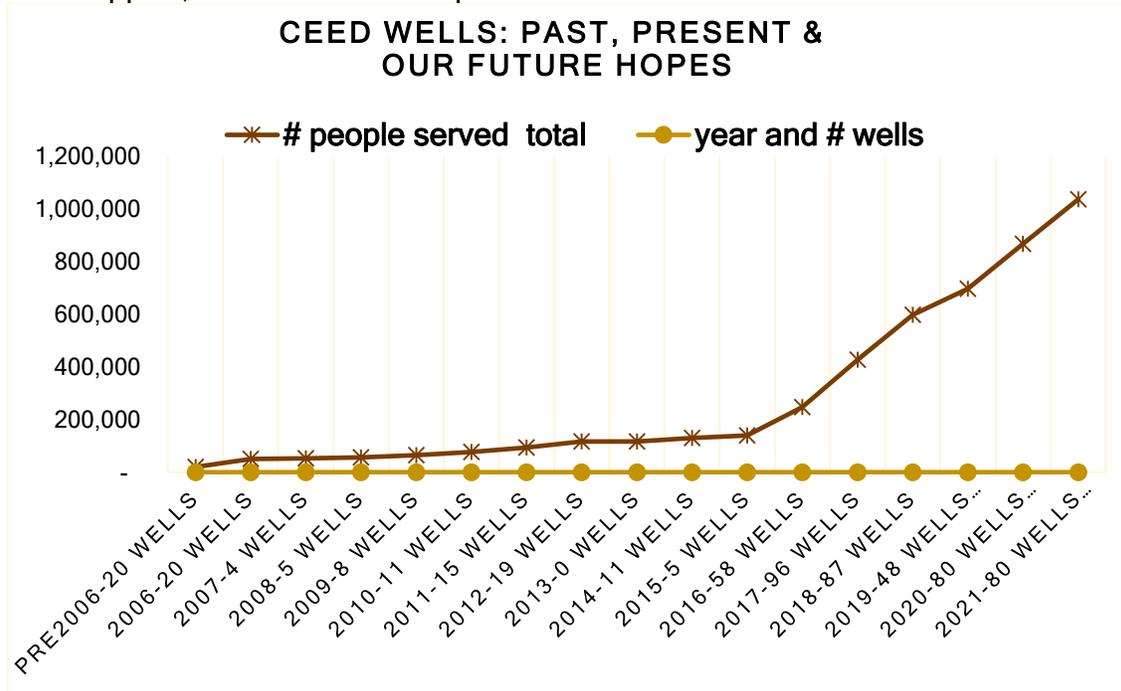
*For every \$1 donated, \$0.90 is spent in
Uganda and Kenya.*

*CEED is a 501(c)3, a registered charity with
the State of Pennsylvania.*

To see CEED's Form 990, please visit Guidestar.com

LOOKING AHEAD WITH GRATITUDE

This is our 20th year of existence. We have provided water for close to 600,000 people. Our next goal is to reach 1,000,000 people with fresh, clean, life-giving water by the end of 2021. With your continued support, this can be accomplished.



Short term goals for 2019:

- Continue the expansion of the Wambabya Farms
- Provide clean water sources for 100,000+ East Africans
- Forge new partnerships to encourage the vested interests of each village with each new borehole.

CEED is not doing this alone! We are grateful to the Lord, our church partners, corporate sponsors and individual donors for the privilege of doing this work with you. Thank you!



WHAT CAN YOU DO?

DONATE

- * One water well
- * One-time monetary gift
- * Recurring monetary gifts
- * Equipment for drilling operations



SPONSOR

- * Special events
- * Drilling Crew members
- * Adopt-a-Village

GO & SEE

Join us on a trip—

- * experience first-hand the plight of so many people
- * visit the coffee farm
- * meet CEED's workers & crewmembers

CALL TO
ACTION



WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING...

Rev. John Kitalibara, Anglican pastor, Director of God's Love & Care School, Kabwoya, Uganda:

Water was created by God for His purposes. Children understand the love of God through the existence of that water.

Michael Henry, Consulting Engineer, Marking Progress:

CEED's Ugandan crew was by far the best and most capable team we've encountered in country. Their professionalism and commitment were above and beyond anything else we had experienced. The Marking Progress team cannot thank them enough.

Ken and Mimi Wilson, CEED donors:

CEED is not only transforming villages in Uganda but also countless lives. With each new well, children no longer have to spend their days transporting heavy containers of water from many miles away, parents no longer have to worry about disease or death from filthy water sources, and the Gospel is brought to people who have never heard it before. When it comes to providing clean water wells, no one does it better than CEED!

Charlie Hedges, VP Ugandan Operations, Wells of Life:

Since December of 2016, CEED has drilled 181 wells for Wells of Life. Each well impacts nearly 1000 people and saves the lives of 20% of children under 5 years old. CEED's professionalism and commitment to the kingdom of God and God's people is obvious in all they do. Wells of Life is honored to work with a vendor with the quality of CEED doing the lion's share of our drilling work. Thank you to CEED and all its expert workers in the field in Uganda.

Debra Dion Krischke, Founder, Inspired Women Paying It Forward:

We were honored to assist CEED with their endeavors on behalf of women and children in Kenya. Many of our members support schools in Africa and know how important and life transforming clean water is for the whole community! We are privileged to assist!

OUR PARTNERS & SUPPORTERS:



David Weisbrod, Weisbrod Imaging



Beverly Heights Presbyterian Church



Marking Progress



Healthy Communities Unlimited



Representing our three drilling teams from left to right:
Herbert, leader Team 3; Nickson, driver Team 3, Jonah, member Team 2;
Joseph, assistant leader Team 1; Jimmy, leader Team 1