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Summer 2007 Outreach

Greetings! I hope you're enjoying your Summer in good health. It's been an exceptionally dry year in Nigeria, but I thought I should share an update on our common vision with you. Thankfully, the AOOF borehole project in Ilora went online in the Spring. It is providing much-needed relief not only in terms of share availability, but more importantly, the quality of water supply.

The on-going maintenance/operational support model is still under review, but we found out early in the commissioning process that location is critical. The submersible pump of the borehole is operated by electrical power.



Workers hurdle as they work to sink the borehole pump.



Once the borehole pipings are installed, the hole is sealed tight.

Unfortunately, power supply in Nigeria is irregular at best, especially in remote areas like the AFIJO community. It was important that the borehole either had its own independent power supply (power generator, solar battery, power inverter, etc.), or installed adjacent to a building with access to power supply.



The bricklayers are charged with installing a water reservoir.



The water reservoir is fitted with four taps to reduce wait time.

Location was also important for the daily operation and oversight of the borehole. I must here acknowledge the constant support and dedication to community service by the Reverend Pastor Oyedeji of the First Baptist Church, Ilora. He has volunteered for and is currently serving in the daily operations support role.



Water jugs are filled up in an organized manner.



And so, clean, safe drinking water flows . . .

So, although the formal grand opening of the borehole is scheduled to coincide with the 2007 Outreach events in October, the taps of the borehole are flowing with safe, clean drinking water. Thousands of lives will be impacted positively by clean drinking water from this borehole, and it is all owed to the AOOF supporters.

Thank you for your confidence and trust in the vision. Have a wonderful rest of the Summer!

Best Regards,

Roland Odeleye