



Year In Review: 2015

We are very happy to announce that the year 2015 brought about further developments in the OK Clean Water Project in Cameroon due to the fundraising efforts, commitments on the part of the villagers and volunteers and the emphasis on sustainability through education. A year long commitment was made by Patrick McIntyre, an Engineer Without Border volunteer who worked closely with Edwin Visi, the Cameroonian consultant. We are pleased with the progress that has been made and we continue to journey in hope.

In 2015 twenty-seven schools raised an amazing \$34,160 made possible through very creative fundraising activities. Other fundraising activities included our FUNraiser Fashion Show at Shepherd's bringing in \$2300 and an evening of fun for all in attendance! The Annual Brunch brought in \$6188. We are proud to announce that our University of Ottawa Student Club brought in \$734 through bake sales and a Basketball Tournament. They are to be commended for their ongoing support. The fundraising activities and the donors on-line and through regular support made it possible for the OK Clean Water Project to send USD \$30,000 (CAD \$38,050) to Cameroon in 2014 and forty-three villages who now enjoy clean water. We are grateful to our many supporters who made this all possible.

Nina Glinski, cnd, was our guest speaker at our Annual Brunch held October 25th. Nina had spent three months in Cameroon and was moved by the gratitude and dedication of the people. She was very impressed with the progress of the water projects and the knowledge she gained from spending time with Patrick, the Engineer Without Borders volunteer and Edwin Visi, the Cameroonian consultant. Education for sustainability will enable the projects to provide the life-giving water for the long term. Patrick has received a motor bike to enable him to travel to the villages with Edwin to work with the villagers.

We will continue to work in 2016 so that the gift of clean water may come to more villages and the present projects meet the community needs. . We will strive to keep abreast of the achievements and challenges through our regular correspondence by email. In 2016 it is our hope that volunteers from the Scottish Volunteer Association (SVA) will join Edwin and Patrick for a ten week period to implement the WASH (Water Sanitation and Hygiene) programme in the Kumbo region. We are most grateful for Edwin and Patrick's knowledge and expertise. We journey in hope! We also thank all those who make this all possible through regular donations, prayers and hard work. As the people of Kumbo would sing:

TOGETHER WE ARE ONE! WATER IS LIFE! THANK YOU! BERI WO!