

# LIBERIA

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## THE PROJECT

**Project Location:** Kene Town community (RIA Highway), Montserrado County, Liberia

**GPS Coordinates:** Latitude:06 13.962 N Longitude:010 40.632 W

**People Served:** 750

**Report Presented To:** David Kiamu

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Community Details

Unique about this community	A LWI Liberia team member stated, "This project was a great blessing for the church and the entire community. They were very happy to see LWI Liberia coming to their aid. The water situation had been a great problem." During the team's stay the community assisted by helping with the water project whenever possible and by providing security over the water project during the night. The majority of community residents are self employed, some of them fish in the Atlantic Ocean in order to provide food for themselves and their families.
How do most people in the community earn a living?	The nearest school is located in the community whose students, teachers and administrative personnel also have access to the new, safe water source.
Distance to nearest school	When the team initially arrived the community was utilizing an open, contaminated well as their primary source of water.
Previous water source	Because of the community's dependence on contaminated water sources, residents were suffering from Cholera, Typhoid, Malaria and various other water related illnesses.
Bad water problems	The community's practice of informal defecation, greatly contributed to the spread of disease and contamination in the community. After the health and hygiene training it is hopeful that this practice will be dissolved.
Sanitation	When the LWI Liberia team arrived the community established a water committee that consisted of three men and one woman.
Water committee and No. of men and No. of women on committee	Men: 3 Women: 1
Local well contact	Before leaving the community the team provided a LWI contact number with community member David Kiamu. This number is provided incase the well were to fall into disrepair, become subject to vandalism or theft.

## TESTIMONY

Name	David, Kiamu
Age, Gender	Age: 40 Gender: Male

**Quote from the Person:** "The previous water source is a hand dug well that serves the entire community but was not safe for drinking. The water was used for washing and cooking only. The community members are enjoying the new water source drill by LWI Liberia because it is safe and clean for drinking. The community members expressed their thanks and appreciation to the donors, and may God bless them and their families in the name of Jesus."

## CHARACTERISTICS OF THE WELL

### Project Details

Community name, Type of location	Kene Town community (RIA Highway)
Region/Province/District	Montserrat County
GPS Coordinates	Latitude:06 13.962 N Longitude:010 40.632 W
Altitude	1 m
Total depth	31.7 m
Static level	2.7 m
Diameter of casing	100 mm
Casing material	PVC
Pump type	India Mark II
Depth of cylinder	21.3 m
Well yield	12
No. of people served	750

## HYGIENE TEACHING

### Hygiene teaching

The Hygiene team started the teaching from the onset with a word of prayer which was done by the Host Pastor-David Kiamu. The team taught approximately (35) people who carefully listened to the teaching. The participants were so happy and they welcomed the Hygiene team with great joy. The Hygiene team discussed the following topics: keeping the community clean, Proper care of the hand pump, personal hygiene, disease transmission stories, dental hygiene, story about dirty and clean communities, oral rehydration solution, proper techniques and water saving methods, etc. The participants responded to these topics and promised to always practice what they have learned from the Hygiene team. The teaching section was closed with a word of prayer by church member Sister Christina.

## CHRISTIAN WITNESS

### Gospel

Before leaving the community the team shared oral bible stories with residents who had gathered to observe the well dedication ceremony.

### Anything else to share about Christian witness

The evangelism team shared with the people of the church and some of the community members about the love of Christ. Many of the people were believers and few of them were unbelievers who listened to the team as they were sharing the word of God. The team thought that the message presented touched many lives. The witnessing ended with few gospel songs and a word of prayer by one of the church members.

## PHOTOS



Close up of Plaque



Completed water project



Photo of Person Interviewed



Community members pumping clean drinking water



Project in Process



Previous Water Source



Other