



## WEEK OF COMPASSION SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT REPORT

### For Global Ministries

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#### SECTION 1: Basic Information

<b>Area Office</b>	Latin America and the Caribbean
<b>Date of Proposal Submission</b>	Spring 2019
<b>Project Title</b>	Water well at Bender Community Center
<b>Project Period</b>	One year
<b>Name of Local Partner</b>	Evangelical Pentecostal Union of Venezuela (UEPV)
<b>Location- City/State/Country</b>	La Piedad Norte, Palavecino Municipality, Lara State, Venezuela
<b>Total Amount Received from WoC</b>	\$12,000
<b>Person Completing Report</b>	This report was written by Bishop Gamaliel Lugo of the Evangelical Pentecostal Union of Venezuela (UEPV) and prepared by the Global Ministries Resource Development office.
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## SECTION 2: Project Summary

### Project Goal

The goal of this project is to provide fresh, clean drinking for the marginalized and vulnerable populations in and surrounding the Palavecino area. This remains the goal of this project.

### Primary Activities Implemented

To date the UEPV has worked with contractors to complete the following actions:

- A hydrological analysis of the site was taken
- Repairs were made to the surface water tank for water storage
- An underground water tank was installed which will help to pump and disperse water
- A contractor, INDER, has been chosen to dig and build the well and the UPEV has worked with INDER to have the project slated for this year

### Challenges and Actions Steps Taken to Resolve

*Summarize what organizational and environmental (political, social, infrastructural, etc.) challenges arose during this past year that hindered the project achievement of its goals. Also, include how the project/program addressed them.*

There have been several challenges over the last year for this project. Because of the U.S. economic blockade of Venezuela, Venezuelans are experiencing an economic crisis which has a deep humanitarian impact, made even worse by the current COVID-19 pandemic. Venezuelans, including UEPV members, struggle to afford gas for required travel and food for their families. This makes the distribution of emergency funds and supplies difficult to send or receive because of this blockade.

In relation to this project, the costs of construction and materials have risen sharply during this economic blockade. To address this, the UEPV and the Contracting company are doing their best to reduce costs for the project wherever possible. Additionally, the inability to travel the three hours from the UEPV main offices and the Bender Community Center has created a challenge in providing a full report, including photos and narrative impacts.

## SECTION 3: Project Results

### Client/Participant Success Story or Details of a Program Achievement

*Please share a client success story or a program achievement from this project. The success story or the program achievement should be related to program activities implemented and should convey the need or impact of the project. If using a client/participant success story, please keep client confidentiality in mind. If available, include pictures as attachments to your report.*

The UEPV celebrates that the water storage tank has been repaired in addition to an underground storage tank has been installed. These two items will assist in the ability to distribute clean water for the community.

## Short and Long Term Results

*Realistically link program activities to the difference they are making. Describe how the project's activities are making a difference in the short and long-term for both the client and the community.*

Once completed, the Bender Community Center Water Well will immediately provide a reliable access to clean potable water to a community which has been affected by a lack of potable water. In the long term, The Bender Community Center will work alongside the community to organize a plan for the conscientious and efficient use of drinking water and develop ecological agricultural training activities at the community center, all of which will help to improve the overall health outcomes for community members.

## Best Practices:

*Please Identify and Describe processes or practices that you implemented in this project that were successful, and that you recommend for use in similar situations.*

UEPV is working with a local contracting company, INDER, to ensure best practices for installing the well are implemented, so that the sustainability and longevity of the water well's life is maximized.

## Quantitative Results

*Provide "numeric indicators" of your work in serving people and implementing project activities.*

<b>PEOPLE Served</b> <i>Avoid Duplicate Counts between Categories</i>	<b># of People Served</b>	<b>Comments or Description</b>
<b>Women age 18+</b>		
<b>Men age 18+</b>		
<b>Youth age 13-18</b>		
<b>Children age 0-13</b>		
<b>Families/Households</b>	2,350	<i>When completed this well will serve 2,350 families in Palavecino, Venezuela.</i>

<b>Disabled</b>		
<b>Other:</b> <i>specify such as employed, unemployed, immigrants, etc.</i>		

<b>ACTIVITIES Implemented</b> <i>-Specify Activities-</i>	<b># of Activities or Service Units</b>	<b># of Participants or Beneficiaries</b> <i>If applicable</i>	<b>Comments or Description</b>
Hydrological Analysis	1		
Repairs made to the surface water tank	1		
An underground water tank was installed	1		<i>Will help to pump water</i>
Contracted with a company to dig the well	1		INDER will be the contractor

*Examples of Activity Descriptions: food distribution, legal assistance, trainings, workshops, clinical services, TB screening, intakes, pigs raised, wells dug, school supplies provided (units), etc.*

#### **SECTION 4: Financial Management**

##### **Required Attachment: How was funding used?**

*Provide a financial report of how gifts were put to use in support of your project. A template for this financial report is attached for your reference. Any report that does not follow this template will not be considered a completed report and not eligible for applying for WOC Sustainable Development grant.*

The UEPV has used \$3,200 for the preparation of the well project. Due to the limits on travel, work, and purchasing of materials as a result of the public health measures in place to slow the spread of COVID-19, the Bender Community Water Well project is on hold. The UEPV still needs to purchase the water well materials, install the well, and construct the housing structure to surround the water well. These components of the project make up for more than 70% of the project budget and will be completed once it is safe for the UEPV and the construction company to resume work. Angel Rivera-Agosto, Global Ministries Area Executive for Latin America and the Caribbean remains in frequent communication with the UEPV and will continue to monitor the progress of this project. Global Ministries will request and provide a written report for Week of Compassion prior to the Spring 2021 Board of Stewards meeting, or sooner if the project is completed prior to this date.

**If expenses differ from the original proposal, please explain variances here:**

Expenses were increased significantly from the original proposal, due to shortages and lack of access caused by the economic blockade imposed upon Venezuela.