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Drilling For Water ... Caring For Life

Community impact report Waitaluk



Sisal Farm is in an area known as Waitaluk near Mois Bridge in north-west Kenya. The shallow well in the local community often ran dry, as did a water supply from a “spring” constructed by the British in the 1950’s. Therefore long walks to the river ensued.

The local leader of the community was in contact with an Agriculturist by the name of Roy Lemberger from Tyne and Wear in the UK. Roy had visited Waitaluk on a number of occasions to advise about soil, seeds and growing crops etc, and saw the need for a borehole. For six years Roy spearheaded fundraising efforts in the UK until enough money was raised to enable Nehemiah Construction Ministries U.K. to drill a borehole.

The drillers had difficulty both in getting the rig to site and then the drilling of the borehole. The main drilling tool got stuck on two occasions whilst drilling. Water was struck first at 15 meters and the main aquifer located at 24 meters. Drilling stopped at 40 meters when it became apparent that there was a good water supply. The borehole is equipped with a hand pump.

The community of around 250 people is benefiting from this borehole as the yield is good, and the water is clean and clear. The land in this area is very suitable for crop growing in particular and now that a good water supply is available the community is moving towards self-sustainability.

The local leader of the community monitors the use of the borehole and no misuse has been reported.

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