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**GAiN Canada provides disease-free water to 500,000 people**

Langley, B.C. – (April 30, 2012) – Global Aid Network (GAiN) Canada celebrates a significant milestone with their Water for Life Initiative (WFLI). 500 deep-capped water wells have been provided to approximately half a million people.

Women and children are no longer carrying water over extremely long distances, children are attending school, the cycle of sickness and death is being broken, hope is being restored, and economic activity is being stimulated. With every well, villagers are also receiving additional opportunities to develop their community; opportunities such as borehole committee training, hygiene and sanitation training, gender equality training, and medical and dental clinics.

GAiN's WFLI began as a small well-drilling project in the villages of southern China and has since grown to include a variety of nations where clean water sources are few, including Benin, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo and Thailand. Thousands of lives have been literally transformed by the provision of fresh pure water.

The Prime Minister of Tanzania announced that GAiN had increased the number of wells in the Lindi region by 40 per cent and then shared *"I don't know why you ever chose Lindi, but we are glad you are here because we are in desperate need of water"*. In Benin, local officials stated that 1 in 32 people have clean water because of GAiN's WFLI.

*"It is tremendous that each well is constantly pumping clean water for hundreds of people, but the well does so much more. It literally transforms a village. The well creates an environment where the village and the villagers can progress economically. They have better health and more time to work their fields and even start new small businesses,"* shares Dennis Fierbach, GAiN's Director for Water Strategies.

While recognizing this momentous occasion, GAiN continues to look toward the future. *"Strengthening GAiN's local teams, equipping and training the 44 national staff as well as solidifying partnerships will be key to the success of the next 500 wells,"* comments Fierbach.

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Headquartered in Langley, BC, GAiN is a worldwide humanitarian relief and development non-profit organization dedicated to demonstrating God's love, in word and deed, to hurting and needy people around the world.

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