

Photo Narratives for Ghana Access to Water

GH0202

Kua Kwaako, a nursery worker in the Peace Corps Project Nursery in Amisano, Central Region in Ghana, draws water from the reservoir to begin the process to hand water thousands of tree seedlings.

By Molly Campbell
Amisano, Ghana (1999)

GH0213

Volunteer Molly Campbell and Peace Corps Project Nursery workers inspect the nursery's reservoir as it is being filled. Water is being pumped into the nursery's reservoir so seedlings can be hand-watered during the dry season.

By Molly Campbell
Amisano, Ghana (1999)

GH0304

Kojo (whose name means Monday born) is crossing a small stream to a nearby village. This river is called the Mlangoe and is the traditional source of water (drinking and bathing) for the village. Now bore holes are in the village for safe drinking water and to prevent diseases caused by drinking river water.

By Nell Todd
Mafi-Dove, Ghana (1999)

GH0308

Samuel is pumping water from one of the eight bore holes in the village. The bore holes are a social gathering point for women and children. The pump was made in Ghana to allow local people to easily maintain it.

By Nell Todd
Mafi-Dove, Ghana (1999)

GH0323

This water pipe is used to pump water from the Volta River to the town of Adidome, where people then fetch water from the standpipes. The Volta River is downstream from the dam that created the largest man-made lake in the world. Damming the river has damaged its ecology, however, the dam is used for creating electricity in the area.

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Mafi-Dove, Ghana (1999)

GH0402

This boy is helping the young girl lift her bucket. Water is so heavy, and generally the containers are so big, that it is impossible to lift them alone.

By Amy Wiedemann
Gbefi, Ghana (1999)

GH0419

Kwame, a Junior Secondary School Form 2 student, is showing off the rain catchment system and poly tank that feeds the tap at the school latrine.

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Gbefi, Ghana (1999)

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Edem is scooping the water from the big basin to a smaller bucket that he can carry. Because of the long lines at the bore hole, it is generally more efficient for children to draw the water into a big container and then either make trips with a smaller bucket (like Edem) or call on someone bigger from their house to come and carry it.

By Amy Wiedemann
Gbefi, Ghana (1999)

GH0629

Toga is pulling water from the well in a sack made from a rubber inner tube from an automobile tire.

By Steve Tester
Kpong, Eastern Region, Ghana (1999)

GH0718

Gifty Amenu is bringing water to my house. Because I am a teacher, the children do not allow me to carry my own water.

By Chris Botzman
Akome, Volta Region, Ghana (1999)