

THE PURPOSE

On May 2, 2007, the life of Ray Diener was senselessly and violently taken on his own doorstep. Ray was well known as a model citizen, humanitarian, church leader, business executive, athlete, and formidable competitor. He was also deeply committed to providing clean drinking water to some of the world's most impoverished.

To that end, Ray had been mentor, partner, and philanthropist to the Messiah College Collaboratory for Strategic Partnerships and Applied Research, specifically the Water Purification Group, which is currently providing viable solutions to the contaminated water in several small villages in Honduras. Ray was about to make his second trip to Honduras with the team of Messiah College students when his life was tragically ended.

As a tribute to Ray and his exemplary life, friends and members of his church family have committed to continuing this Honduran water project through their financial support. You are invited to join in this effort and insure that Ray's dream of clean water for the world's poorest does not die.

Please read about the Messiah College's Water Group, familiarize yourself with the life threatening effects of drinking contaminated water, and consider your support for the Ray Diener Memorial Water Fund. Whether it is \$1,000, \$500, \$100, or whatever your best giving level may be, you can be assured that your gift will affect the health of hundreds of children and adults, and you will be continuing Ray's work of caring for the least of these.

THE FACTS

- Each year 2.5 million persons die from diseases contracted from consuming contaminated water.
- It is estimated that 80% of all diseases worldwide are associated with contaminated water.
- In Central America these waterborne diseases are the leading cause of death in children under the age of five.
- In Honduras 36% of those living in rural areas do not have clean drinking water.
- Currently 50,000 children in Honduras die every year from health problems due to drinking contaminated water.



YOUR RESPONSE

Please return this portion with your contribution.

I would like to continue Ray Diener's work of providing clean water for some of the world's poorest with this gift of:

____ \$1,000
____ \$500
____ \$100
____ Other \$ _____

_____ My check is enclosed.

_____ Please record my pledge which I will pay by April 30, 2008.

Name _____
Please print your name as you would want it to appear in print.

Address _____
City _____ State _____
Zip _____

_____ I would like my gift to be anonymous.

All checks should be made payable to Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren. Clearly indicate Water Project on the memo line.

The Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren is a 501 (c)(3) organization.

All gifts are tax deductible as allowed by law and will be acknowledged by mail.

Names and addresses will not be shared with any other organization and will not be used for any other purpose.



RAY DIENER
MEMORIAL WATER FUND

The "Ray Diener Memorial Water Fund" logo was created to remember Ray and his love for learning and competition.

The waterdrop represents Ray's commitment to the Water Group at Messiah College's Collaboratory.

THE PROJECT

The "Water Group" is part of a larger initiative at Messiah College, The Collaboratory for Strategic Partnerships and Applied Research, which combines the departments of engineering, mathematics and business to "empower the poor, foster justice, reconcile adversaries and care for the earth within the context of academic engagement." Students, faculty and professionals combine their expertise in service to the underprivileged communities around the world.

Ray Diener joined the Water Group at Messiah College in 2005. The mission of this group is "to develop and provide sustainable irrigation, well water access, and purification technologies and practical education for communities that lack the resources to meet their basic water needs". The students raise their own money for traveling to Honduras. Your gift helps provide the materials for the water purification system research and installation.



Ray, with a guide and students, hiking to inspect the water source for the village of Laguna de la Capa (Yoro, Honduras).

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For more information about the Collaboratory:
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