

**The Rosshirt Water for Africa Foundation ... making a difference with 10 news wells drilled in areas of need, bringing sanitary and accessible water to 25,000 people of Zimbabwe, Africa EVERY DAY.**

*We do what we do because the need is still so strong!*

- *Zimbabwe's President Mugabe admits publicly that people in the country are drinking sewage-contaminated water.* "Are we drinking clean water? With all that sewage running into our water system? Doctors have told us that the water is dirty," Mugabe said. Source: <http://nehandaradio.com/2014/04/26/mugabe-admits-zimbabweans-drinking-sewage-contaminated-water/>.
- *Progress on Drinking water and sanitation, 2014 update ... a report of the World Health Organization and UNICEF.* Open defecation is still increasing in 26 of 44 countries in sub-Saharan Africa. Eighty-two per cent of the one billion people practicing open defecation in the world live in just 10 countries – Zimbabwe is one of these 10 countries.
- Nov 21, 2013 (picture right) *Unsanitary:* Residents in the Glen Norah suburb of Harare are forced to live alongside a pool of raw sewage, leaving them vulnerable to typhoid and cholera. Source: Mail & Guardian (mg.co.za).
- November 19, 2013 (Harare) – *The water and sanitation crisis in Zimbabwe's capital, Harare, places millions of residents at risk of waterborne disease,* Human Rights Watch said in a report. Five years after cholera killed over 4,000 people and sickened 100,000 more, the conditions that allowed the epidemic to flourish persist in Harare's high-density suburbs. Source: <http://www.hrw.org/news/2013/11/19/zimbabwe-water-and-sanitation-crisis>.
- The 60-page report, "*Troubled Water: Burst Pipes, Contaminated Wells, and Open Defecation in Zimbabwe's Capital*" describes how residents have little access to potable water and sanitation services, and often resort to drinking water from shallow, unprotected wells that are contaminated with sewage, and to defecating outdoors. The report is



based on research conducted in 2012 and 2013 in Harare, including 80 interviews with residents, mostly women, in eight high-density suburbs. Source: <https://www.hrw.org/report/2013/11/19/troubled-water/burst-pipes-contaminated-wells-and-open-defecation-zimbabwes>.

**Pictured left ...** The only local water source in the Mwenezi District was primitive and unprotected until a new well (**pictured right**) was drilled in 2014, funded by donations to the Rosshirt Water for Africa Foundation.



**SAVING LIVES ...  
one well at a time**

- 10 wells drilled in Zimbabwe.
- Safe water for thousands of families.
- Wells inspected, maintained and repaired annually!

**We are making a difference in this world of ours ... and together, are bringing renewed health and hope for the future to children and adults!**

