



## Yener's Home

For me, the inspiration to pen a newsletter often comes from a particular life event: My home's well pump decided it was too old to do it's job any longer. Twenty-three years is a very long time for a well pump to pump, so I'm not really upset....except of course that it's inconvenient to be short of water for a few days....or is it?

NFI has just finished constructing a new home for Yener and his family of five. What a blessing it is to be part of bringing such happiness and hope to someone in great need. One particular detail about this project has made an impression on me, and yes, it does relate to my recent water woes.

Yener's family lives in the mega-city capital of Guatemala and the water infrastructure is so poor that they only have water for two hours per week! Worse yet, in their neighborhood, the water is often turned on in the middle of the night. Yener needs to stay awake on that particular night to make sure the water tanks, that were designed into the house, are filled before the water stops flowing for another week.

The essential quality of life-sustaining water is one thing that everyone has in common. Perhaps this is one reason why Jesus used something as universal as water when he said: *"Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.* (Gospel of John 4:13,14)

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# Neighbors First Building Hope

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## Bridge Building

It's still a new project. A pedestrian bridge for the village of Buenos Aires, Guatemala. The rainy seasons flood areas around the village and a new, safe bridge will be a tremendous blessing for many people.



NFI is currently reviewing designs and working on cost estimates. Funds will be needed for special long-span materials and transportation to this remote area.

## Northern Maine

Leaky old roofs are no fun. Especially when you have sacrificially taken-in four children, besides your own two, and have no financial means for such necessary repairs.

Neighbors First is planning to help this family before the next Maine winter arrives. Roofing materials and volunteers will be needed and, as always, we trust God will provide!



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