
IT TAKES A
VILLAGE
This year-end, be part of our village.
YOUR GIFT MATCHED UP TO $100,000
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zoe ministries



WE RESTORE WHAT'S BROKEN

This fall, we celebrated something we could hardly have imagined when we started: ten years of Zoe Ministries. As we looked back, we thought of everyone who has prayed, given, and walked beside us through every season. I want you to know that this milestone belongs to you as much as it belongs to us.

Ten years ago, Zoe began with a simple conviction: **that every child deserves to be known, loved, and given the chance to grow up in a family.** A decade later, we are still asking God to show us how to bring that life to the places that need it most.

This year, I watched that conviction come alive in ways that moved me deeply.

Our orphan care team showed up for children day after day. Take Teresa, a mom who was in Nairobi looking for work when her children were removed from a grandparent's care because of abuse and placed with Zoe in 2018. Through the empowerment and counseling our team brought to her and her children, they were reintegrated back into her care in 2023. Today, she is thriving with her three kids. And Teresa's is only one of many stories like this that you have helped change.

Our clean water team brought hope in one of its most tangible forms. This year, our team repaired **210** broken wells and gave **123,000** people access to clean water. Clean water means children stay healthy and in school, and mothers are freed from walking miles each day. It means a village gathered around a flowing well, with joy that you can hear before you see it. And it has been so much more than water: this work has opened the door for **51** people to accept Christ as their Savior and be baptized as believers.

None of this happens without you. Every prayer, every gift, and every act of faithfulness helped make 2026 possible.

And now, I want to share something that has been stirring in my heart. As we step into our next decade, we believe God is opening a door larger than any we have walked through before.

We are asking you to help us fund **our very own clean water drilling rig.** With it, we can go even further into unreached areas of East Africa and bring clean water to more people than ever before. Owning our rig will also let us grow our sustainability work and cut our drilling costs in half. It will stretch us, and it will require all of us together. But I have seen what God can do when his people say yes, and I believe this is our moment.

In the pages that follow, you will see more about this vision and how you can be part of it. I pray you will read with an open heart and ask what God might be inviting you to do.

Thank you for being the reason Zoe is celebrating ten years, and for being part of what comes next.



Taylor Summers

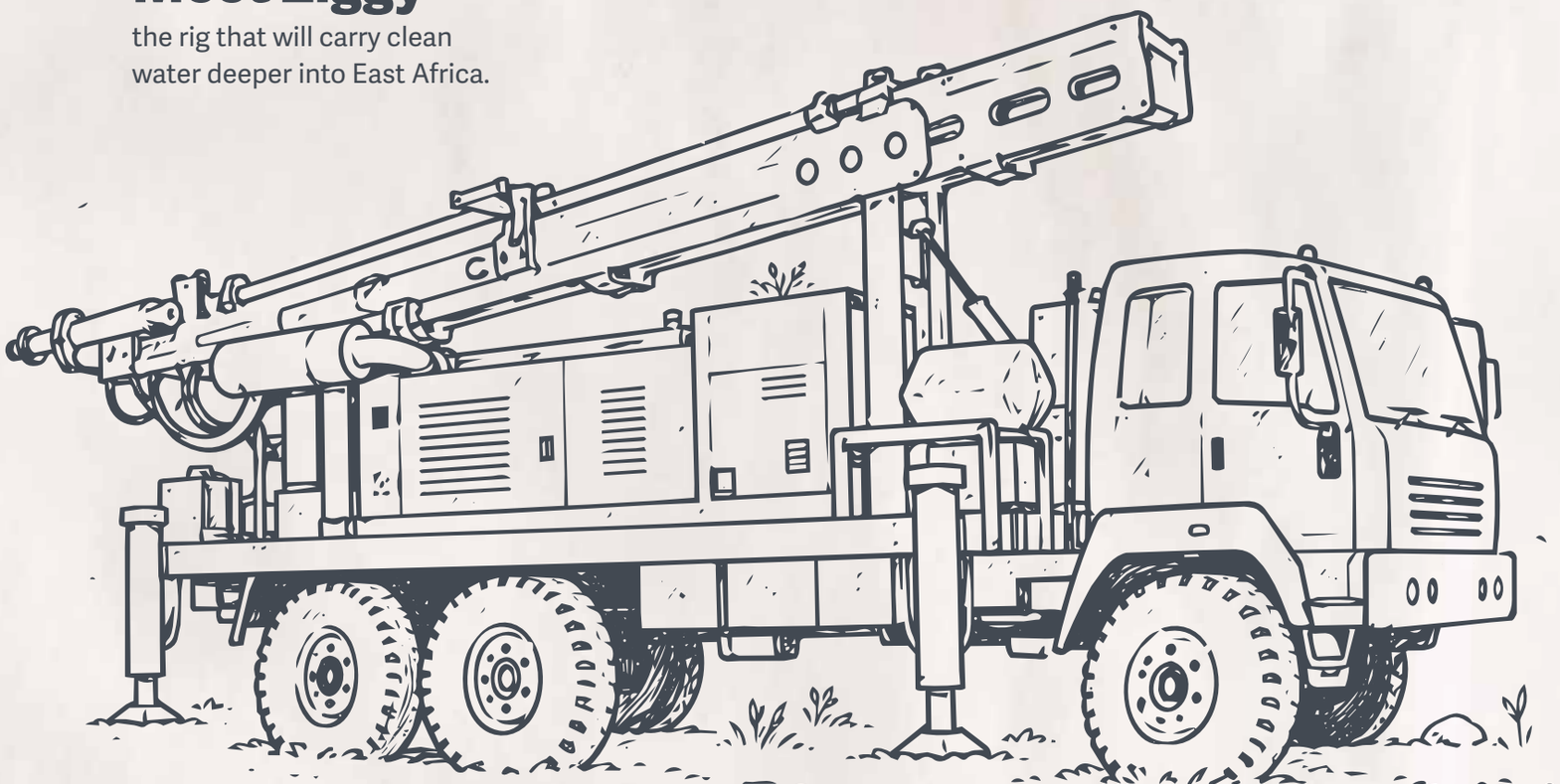
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Founder & Executive Director

Something BIG is coming in 2027...

HELP US FUND ZIGGY

Meet Ziggy

the rig that will carry clean water deeper into East Africa.



THE PROBLEM



Every well we repair and every community we reach with clean water begins the same way: **someone has to drill.**

Today, that someone isn't us.

Zoe depends on outside drilling companies to do this work, and too often they are unreliable. Projects stall while we wait. Schedules slip. And while we wait, families keep walking miles for water they can't trust.

Hiring drillers is also extremely expensive. Every dollar spent on outside contractors is a dollar that could have gone to reaching another village.

And because we rely on others, our reach is limited. We can only go where a contractor is willing and available to go, which leaves the most remote, unreached areas of East Africa waiting the longest.

Ziggy changes that.

WHY ZIGGY

We go further.
With our own rig, we are no longer limited to where a contractor is willing to go. We can head into the unreached communities of Kenya and Uganda, the villages that have waited the longest because no one else would make the journey.

We spend half as much.
Owning our rig cuts our drilling costs in half. That means the same gift reaches twice as many people. **Every dollar that once went to outside contractors goes back into bringing clean water to more families.**

We build something that lasts.
Ziggy isn't only a tool for our own projects. Other organizations will be able to hire Zoe to drill, and the income from that work will help sustain our water ministry for years to come. Instead of depending on donations alone to keep reaching new communities, we'll be growing a ministry that can support itself.

ZIGGY MEANS MORE



More communities with clean water. Villages that have waited for years will finally have a safe source close to home.



More women farming.
When women no longer spend hours each day walking for water, they can plant, grow, and provide for their families.



More children in school.
Children who once carried water can sit in a classroom instead, and they can stay healthy enough to learn.



Less sickness.
Water-borne disease is among the greatest threats to children in these communities. Clean water takes that threat away.



Stronger families.
When families have time, health, and food, they have room to thrive together.

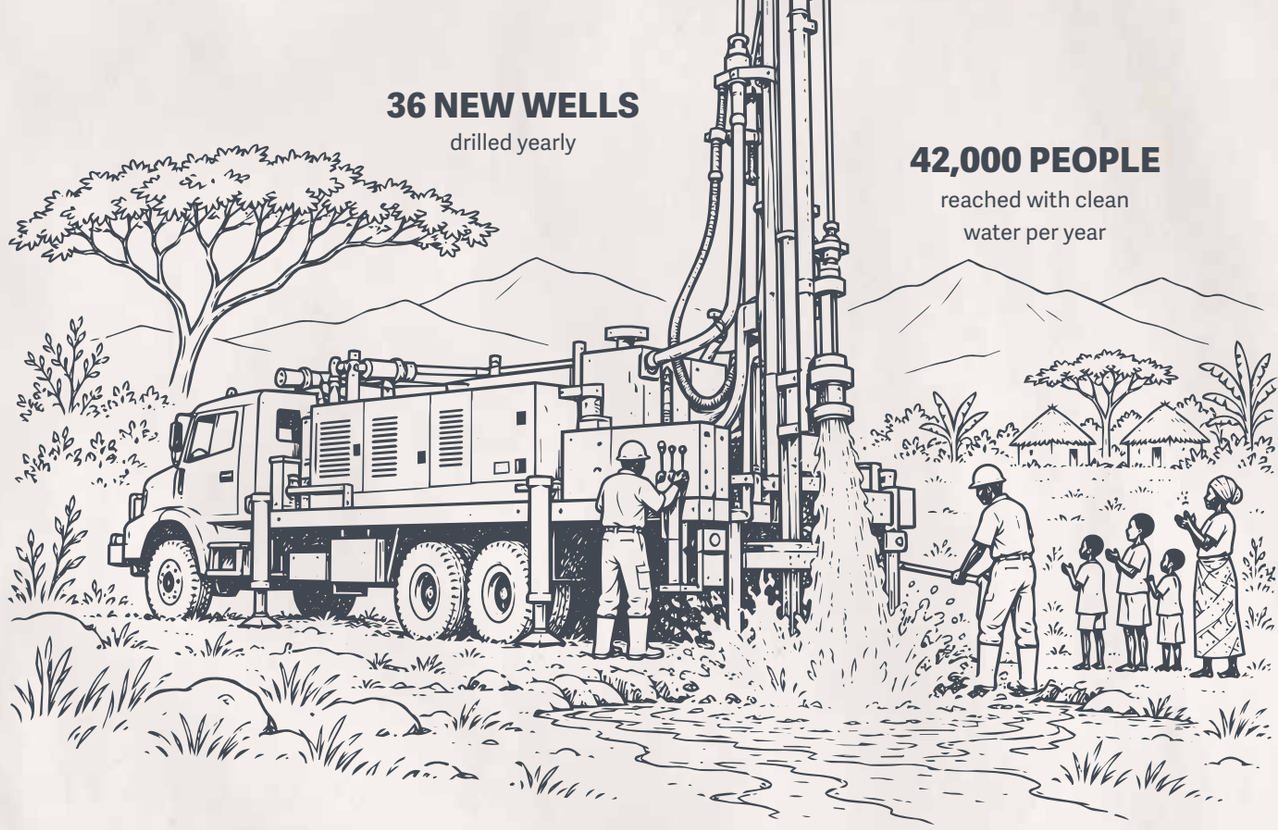


More open doors for the gospel.
A well is often the first step in a relationship. It opens the way for conversations about the One who gives living water.



More churches planted.
Where the gospel takes root, communities of believers gather, and the church grows alongside the well.





Zoe Means Life.
ZIGGY MEANS MORE LIFE.

Our Goal: $175,000

This gift will provide:

- **A quality used drilling rig**
- **The tools and bits we need to drill**
- **A full year of insurance**

Once Ziggy is running, our goal is to drill **3 wells every month,** giving **3,500 people access** to clean water each month. In a single year, that means **36 new wells** and clean water for more than **42,000 people.**

But Ziggy is about **more than numbers.** It's about water projects that last, built by a team that owns its equipment, controls its schedule, and can keep going long after this campaign ends.

Interested in giving a gift of $5,000 or more?
Visit zoemeanslife.org/rig



TWO TEAMS, ONE MISSION

Ziggy isn't replacing the work our clean water teams already do. *It adds to it.*

Ziggy drills new wells. Ziggy's wells reach communities with no clean water access at all, the places where families still walk miles to find a source they can't trust.

Our repair teams restore broken wells. All across Kenya and Uganda, wells that once gave life now sit broken. Our repair teams get them flowing again, so the investment already made in these communities isn't lost.

Together, these two teams cover both sides of the need: new water where there is none, and lasting water where it has failed. One team opens the door, and the other keeps it open.

This is how we build water projects that last for generations.

WHO ZIGGY WILL SERVE

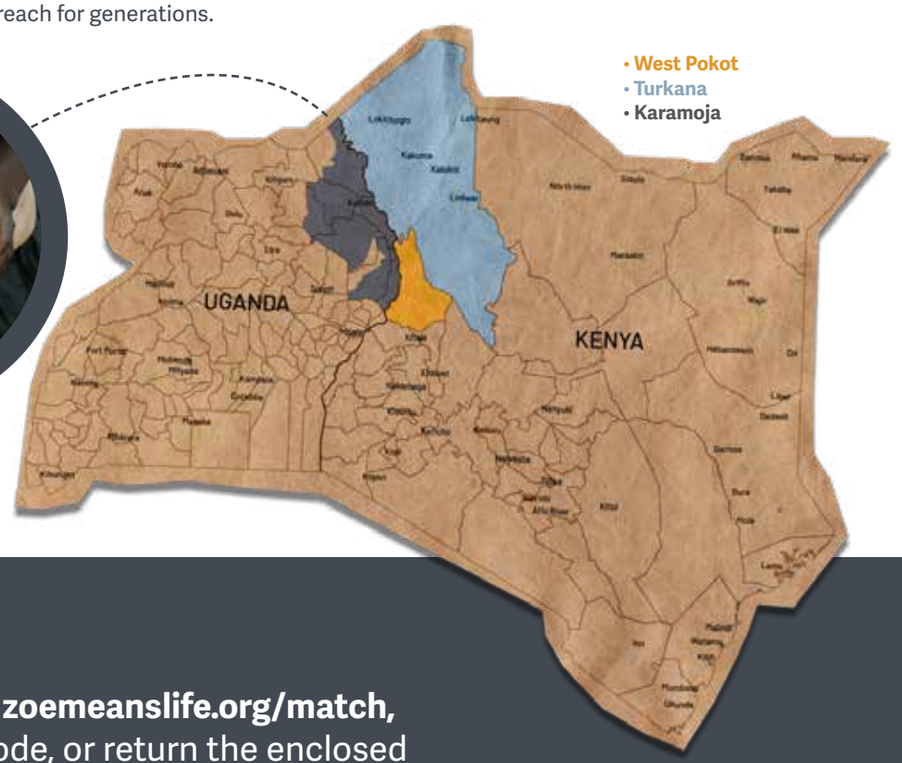
Ziggy will call our water hub in **West Pokot,** Kenya home. From there, it will head out to the places that are hardest to reach.

Our focus will be the **West Pokot** and **Turkana** regions of Kenya and the **Karamoja** region of Uganda. These are remote communities where roads are rough, distances are long, and clean water has been out of reach for generations.

Ziggy's target is specific: the **unreached communities** of these areas, the villages that other organizations have not been able to reach and where families are still searching for a safe place to drink.

These are the people we are called to serve, and Ziggy will take us to them.





JOIN OUR VILLAGE
THAT CHANGES VILLAGES

Ziggy will be funded the way a village is built: **by many people, each doing their part.**

This year-end, we invite **you** to become part of the village that changes villages. Your gift will help bring clean water, health, and hope to communities in Kenya and Uganda that have waited far too long.

And right now, your gift goes **twice as far.** A generous donor has offered a $100,000 matching gift, available through December 31.

Every dollar you give to Ziggy will be matched until that $100,000 is reached, so a $250 gift becomes $500, a $1,000 gift becomes $2,000, and a $5,000 gift becomes $10,000.

Give online at **zoemeanslife.org/match,** scan the QR code, or return the enclosed card by December 31.

Scan QR code to have your gift doubled.



Together, we can fund Ziggy.



THE VILLAGE BROUGHT THEM HOME

"We can celebrate the amount of children served; but the real success is that 'one day, they no longer need to stay at Zoe" - Taylor Summers

Take Teresa, a mom who left home for Nairobi to find work and support her children. In 2018, her three children were rescued from abuse and placed in Zoe's care, and she had lost all contact with them. Years later, our team found her, slowly reintroduced the children to their mom, and trained her in skills to earn an income. In 2023, they moved home to her for good. Today, her children are thriving in school, and Teresa runs her own business.

For years, our orphan care model was simple: when a child needed safety, we gave them a home, a family on our site, and a place in school. For Joseph, Peter, and Esther, that was exactly what they needed, **and those five years mattered.**

But as we walked with children like them, we began asking a harder question: *what if family isn't a place we build for them, but a place we help restore?*

So we changed how we care. Instead of only asking, "How do we protect this child?" we now also ask, "Who is waiting for this child, and what would it take to bring them home?"

That's why we went looking for Teresa. And it's why our work doesn't end when a child is safe. It ends when a family is restored, and strong enough to stay that way.

Teresa's story is possible because of people she may never meet: friends and families who gave, prayed, and stayed faithful year after year. Your gifts helped give Joseph, Peter, and Esther a safe home while their mom was found.

Because of you, a family that had been torn apart is whole again, and a mother who once had nothing is building something that will last. Teresa is not the only one. Across Kenya, you are helping restore entire families, one child, one mother, and one village at a time. This is what it means to be a village. Thank you for being ours.

"I am endlessly grateful to everyone who stepped in to love and protect my children while I was away. To everyone who gave their resources and time to make sure my children always felt the warmth of a home and the embrace of a family: from the very bottom of my heart, I thank God for you. May He bless you all abundantly for the love you gave when it was needed most."

- Teresa



2026 ORPHAN CARE IMPACT

6 CHILDREN RESCUED

11 CHILDREN REINTEGRATED

12 FAMILIES STRENGTHENED

10 TEENAGE MOTHERS EMPOWERED

Successfully traced 90% of the families of children at the site, laying a foundation for family reunification and reintegration.

THE GOAL IS NOT TO KEEP CHILDREN. IT IS TO SEND THEM HOME TO A FAMILY, RESTORED.

Zoe's orphan care began by building group homes. Over ten years the work moved deeper, to the reasons children are separated from their families in the first place. Today that means rescue, counseling, school support, and the patient work of finding the family a child already has and making it possible for that family to keep her.

Since 2016, **91 children** have gone home to **36 families**, and **53 more children** never became orphans.





IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RESTORE FAMILIES.

YOU ARE A PART OF THAT VILLAGE!



WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE TO

BE THE VILLAGE

"As the owner of a plumbing company, I understand how important water is and how meeting such a basic need can open so many doors. That's one of the things I love about Zoe Ministries.

They're not just providing clean water, they're using it as an opportunity to share the Gospel.

When Elizabeth and I choose where to give, being Gospel-centered is our first priority. We've seen the Lord at work through Zoe, and Taylor's vision, passion, and shepherd's heart give us confidence in where our giving is going. It's a ministry that feels personal and close-knit while making an incredible impact in so many lives.

We truly believe God's hand is on this ministry, and we're grateful to be part of what He's doing."

- Patton & Elizabeth Ford

2027 GOALS

CLEAN WATER - $438,000

Clean water access - $386,000

Drilling Rig
Drilling new wells
Repairing existing wells
Tools, fuel, maintenance, training, vehicle insurance

Empowering Women & Girls - $31,000

Farming programs
Sanitary pad distribution
Women fellowship groups

Pastor Training & Church Planting - $21,000

Education material
Center maintenance
Pastor facilitation & church planting





ORPHAN CARE - $188,000

Family Reintegration & Strengthening - $139,000

Food, Education, Medical, Supplies, Utilities
Family empowerment programs
Facility maintenance & repairs
Vehicle maintenance, repairs, & insurance

Counseling Center - $18,000

Supplies, support material, training
Transportation
Office rent & utilities

Teenage Pregnancy Center - $31,000

Education material, sewing machines, supplies
Food, housing supplies, medical expenses
Empowerment of former students

WAYS TO GIVE

Legacy is more than what we leave behind. It's how we live today, investing in what matters most and creating a lasting impact for generations to come.

At Zoe Ministries, we believe generosity is part of a much bigger story. It's a family gaining access to clean water, a child finding safety and belonging, and a community experiencing the life-changing hope of Jesus Christ.

ONLINE

Make an immediate impact through a secure online gift at **zoemeanslife.org/match**

MAIL A CHECK

Prefer to give by mail? Sending a check is a simple, meaningful way to invest in the lives of children, families, and communities. Use the return envelope or mail to:
PO Box 2029, Cleveland, MS 38732

DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS (DAF)

Give online through DAFpay or recommend a grant from your Donor-Advised Fund to Zoe Ministries. It's a thoughtful way to put your charitable giving to work, helping create opportunities for lasting transformation. Learn more at **zoemeanlife.org/DAF**

IRA DISTRIBUTION

If you're 70½ or older, you may be eligible to make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) directly from your IRA. This tax-advantaged giving option can help fulfill your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), if applicable, while supporting the mission of Zoe Ministries.

ESTATE PLANNING

Leave a legacy of hope by including Zoe Ministries in your will or trust. Your generosity can continue making a difference beyond your lifetime, helping future generations experience restored families, stronger communities, and the hope of the Gospel.



DONATE STOCK

Make a lasting impact by donating appreciated stocks or other securities to Zoe Ministries. Giving stock may offer tax advantages while allowing you to make an even greater investment in clean water, stronger families, and the life-changing hope of Jesus Christ.

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