

Haitians Families in the DR



Hipolito Billini, Loma de Cabrera, Dajabon (Norwest of DR). The doctors and nurse (She is an Biosand water filter facilitator also) in the picture. Doctors say that the gastrointestinal diseases cases in that area have decreased considerably. They ensure that the gastrointestinal diseases they have in the center come from another communities where families do not have filters yet. They have around 300 hundred filters in the area. They receive families from Haiti too. Many haitians families in this area have filters also.

(Rossy Agramonte is third from left in the above picture)

CONANI (Consejo Nacional de la Niñez) Dominican National Children Council



CONANI, Villa Tapia, Salcedo (North of the DR)

In this institution they have now around 100 (one hundred) children with ages between 3-5 years old. In this area they have one of the worst quality of water I have seen ever. Rotary Club Villa Tapia Installed 2 Biosand water filters in the center. When I went to the center last year they had around 6 months with those filters. Doctors usually make microbiological analysis periodically and the last time they did them they were very surprised because the amount of parasites have decreased considerably in the children. They did not know about the filters so they asked what was occurring and the director says about the filtered water they are drinking now. They have also to buy the filtered water before so now they are saving a lot of money with them. Now the Rotary Club have extended the filters project to the houses of the children.



Mata del Dajao, San José de las Matas, Santiago (North of the DR)

The woman with the black and white dress because a medical condition she could not drink water if is not filtrated. So she had to pay RD\$ 170 (the average price for this is RD\$ 35) per bottle of 5 gallons of water because she live in a very remote village up in the mountain in the country and she had to pay this amount in order to transport the water until her house from the nearest town with very bad condition of the road. After she adquired the Biosand Water filter she stopped buying water and now she is sharing her filter with 7 families more in the area. She is now one of our facilitator also.



ELICOBACTER PILORIS

The little boy with blue t-shirt in the center and the man in the picture below was infected with Elicobacter Piloris (a very invasive bacteria in the stomach).

The mother of the kid (right) told me he is very good now drinking the water from the filter.

The man told me that he had to spend around 3 million pesos in order to kill that bacteria but after he has the Biosand water filter in his house he never more felt not even a stomach pain.



- **Guaco, La Piñita, La Vega
(North of the DR)**

The girl, 20 years old (with red blouse) was infected also with *Elicobacter Piloris*). She had to stop going to university because of the disease. She lost around 20 pounds and 2 or 3 times a year she had to be in the hospital very sick. When I visited her she had around 6 months consuming the water from the filter. Her mother (with blue dress) said this filter is the biggest bless for her family because her dougter never again had any trouble with her stomach after the filter arrive to her home and now, you can see, she is a very healthy girl.



Los Bueyes, Villa Trina, Espaillat

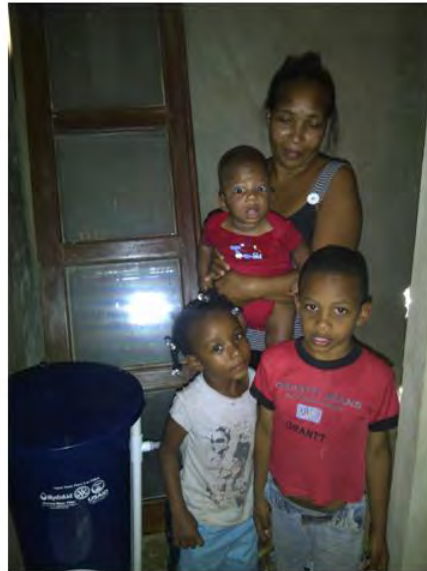
When I visited this community this baby was 3 months. From her birth she is only drinking water from Biosand Filter

I came back three months later to the community. The baby was 6 months and look how healthy she is. She continued drinking water from the Biosand filters only.



**Los Botados,
Yamasa, Monte Plata
(Norh of the
dominican Capital)**

The baby boy is 4 months now and his mother was baying the best and more expensive water for him and the baby even she was spending a lot of money to preserve his health could not get it, he was infected with amoeba. For that reason she decided to get a Biosand Water Filter for her family because the good fame it has in the area. Now she say, her baby is healthy again.



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