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Dear Friends of MAMA Project,

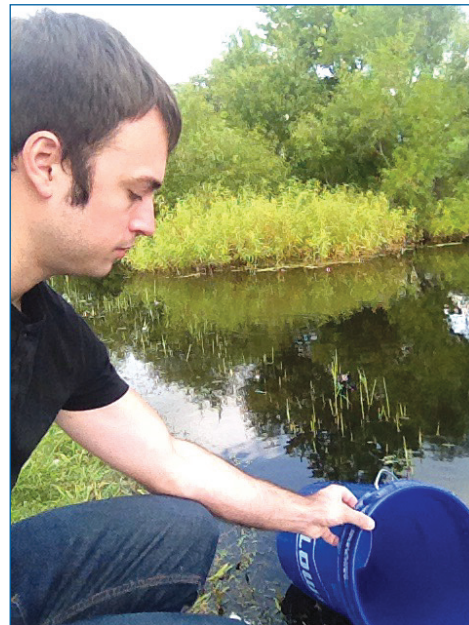
Often this summer letter comes to you, our friends and supporters, during a seasonal drought.

This year, in our part of the country we are having an extraordinarily wet summer. There have been floods in places that never see flooding, not just in our country, but in many places around the world. People are experiencing severe storms with floods, mudslides, loss of their homes, crops and breakdown of infrastructure. Many are suffering from **too much water** and **not enough water** — **too much destructive water** and **not enough clean drinking water**. Some of these communities suffer from lack of potable water even in the best of times.

Diarrhea, parasites and viral illnesses due to contaminated water are major causes of malnutrition, illness and death, especially in children.

For a long time, MAMA Project has been promoting our two-bucket home water purification system. We have recently re-designed it, and are promoting a new version with a filter that can actually remove **not just parasites like soil-transmitted parasite eggs, Giardia, Crypto and Amoeba**, but also **bacteria like Salmonella, E. coli, Shigella and even Cholera**.

We also give instructions on how and why to add a small amount of household bleach to the filtered water to help prevent water borne viral illness such as **Hepatitis A, Rotavirus, Polio**, and a lot more.



"I need a drink of water" is one of the most common, taken-for-granted phrases you'll ever hear, and for many, this is what their options look like. We found the dirtiest, most goose-infested soup we could to test the new bucket filtration system.

Pre-filtered pond muck water, ready to be cleansed by the power of technology, AKA a 5 gallon bucket and a Sawyer water filter.



MAMA intern Jon drills a hole in a future clean water bucket to install a sealed spicket. If you'd like to learn more or be part of the Bucket Brigade yourself, you can email Jon for more info: jonathan@mamaproject.org

The total cost to supply a filter and two buckets to a household is approximately 30 dollars. Below, gravity gives the dirty water a push and drains it down through the filter into your clean water supply.



This fall, MAMA is planning trips to visit India, Kenya, and Tanzania. More information will follow in our next regular newsletter. We are hoping to visit orphanages, leper colonies, garbage dump communities, sprawling slums, hospitals, health officials and women's groups. As usual, we have a big agenda!

MAMA continues to need your generous support. All of the communities that we are working with need clean water! We are preparing new training materials to help people promote this very affordable way for families to get clean water.

Our program is growing and expanding because of the great network of supporters who participate in so many ways. We need prayers, moral support, ideas, partnership, and of course, financial support. We often call this summer letter our "Drought Letter", because MAMA, like many nonprofits usually experiences a "drought" of funds in the summer. This year is no exception. While we are not having a drought of rain, like so many in our country and around the world are, we have need for funds to continue to expand to more communities in need!

Thank you again for your support for this work of love!

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for the MAMA Board, Staff and all of the families we serve*



Clean, filtered water.