




The Bishop's  
Lent Appeal 2024  
The Water of Life

 THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND  
Diocese of Norwich

Collective Worship  
Suggestions for  
KS1 & KS2

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### Aim

To create an understanding of the needs for clean water in Papua New Guinea (PNG), especially at Newton Theological College.

### Preparation and Materials

Visit Google Maps to locate [PNG](#) and its unique place in the Pacific Ocean  
Visit [Diocese of Norwich](#) website and Bishop Graham's Lent Appeal, The Water of Life

The Bishop's Lent Appeal 2024 will help to raise money to provide water tanks for Ordinand's Homes at Newton Theological College in Papua New Guinea.

Bishop Graham writes: *"Your donations and fundraising will enable ordinands and their families to thrive, so supporting the next generation of Christian leaders in Papua New Guinea to have the best possible start with their training."*

Most of the student houses at Newton College are in great need of refurbishment and nearly all need significant repair, but the primary need is to provide them with clean water from rainwater tanks and to reconnect toilets to septic tanks.

It will cost around PGK 2,000 (around £400) to install a water tank between every two student houses and the aim is to raise to raise enough to provide twenty-five tanks between fifty student homes.

### Introduction to Papua New Guinea



People of Papua New Guinea after a church service from Norwich Diocese Pilgrimage 2015, with Rt Rev'd Jonathan Meyrich, Bishop of Lynn

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### **Where is Papua New Guinea?**

Travelling to Papua New Guinea would take approximately 30 hours by plane and is usually via Australia or Hong Kong.

Papua New Guinea is 0.6 degrees south of the equator. It is an Oceanic country with offshore islands in Melanesia in the South West Pacific Ocean.

It is one of the most culturally diverse countries in the world with 848 languages. Its 7 million

people live in mainly rural populations and in the few towns and cities.

The country is situated on the Pacific Ring of Fire and there are earthquakes and active volcanoes. It is surrounded by coral reefs and in the highlands, there are dense rainforest and a rugged terrain across the mountains, the highest of which is Mt Wilhelm at 4,509 metres. Temperatures are as high as 20C during the day and fall to 8C degrees in the evening.

Newton Theological College is in Popondetta, Oro Province, and our Lent Appeal for Water of Life is focused here.

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Water tanks are needed to ensure that student accommodation can have clean rainwater and sanitation. One tank is needed for two units of accommodation which houses the training incumbents and their families. The cost is approximately £400 for each tank.

### What Can We Do?

- We want to help the families and those training for ministry.
- We want to help them to have clean water.
- We want to help Newton Theological College to offer a better style of accommodation to the students.
- We could create a video which could be sent across the world to Newton Theological College and schools in Popondetta.
- We could find out about the colourful clothes people wear and what they eat.

### How can we help?

There are many ways in which we can help.

- We can plan activities to raise money which will go to the Bishop's Lent Appeal
- We can talk with each other, our friends and families so that Papua New Guinea is better known and that we have an understanding of life in this place which is very different to our own.
- We could write some prayers and use in a future assembly, and we could send them to the Bishop of Norwich
- We could create some information

And you will have many more ideas to in ways to help, to find out more and to see how God works right across the world.

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## Songs and Prayers

### **All Over the World**

*By David Winter*

*Words: David Winter. Taken from Come and Praise, BBC Publications*

All over the world,  
Everywhere, where the sun shines,  
And where the white snow gleams;  
In the green, green forests and by the  
streams, Hands are busy, plans are laid,  
And slowly, slowly, somewhere, somebody's  
house is made.

*Chorus*

Everybody's building, everybody's building,  
Everybody's building, day by day,  
Everybody's building, everybody's building,  
Everybody's building, in a different way.

All over the world,  
Everywhere,  
Where the sun shines,  
And where the darkest night  
Holds back the coming of the morning light,  
Bricks are laid, and wood is sawn,  
And slowly, slowly,  
Out of a dream a house is born,

*Chorus*

All over the  
world,  
Everywhere,  
where we're  
living,  
Wherever children grow,  
And their lives are shaped as the moments  
go, Minds are building, plans are laid,  
And slowly, slowly,  
Somewhere somebody's life is made.

All over the  
world,  
Everywhere,  
Where we're

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living,  
Wherever children play,  
For the things they do and the things they say,  
For good or ill, ground is laid,  
And slowly, slowly,  
Somewhere, somebody's life is made.

*Chorus*

### **Who Put the Colours in the Rainbow?**

Words and Music by Joseph Arthur Paul Booth

1 Who put the colours in the rainbow? Who put the  
salt into the sea?  
Who put the cold into the snowflake? Who made you  
and me?  
Who put the hump upon the camel? Who put the  
neck on the giraffe?  
Who put the tail upon the monkey? Who made  
hyenas laugh?  
Who made whales and snails and quails? Who made  
hogs and dogs and frogs?  
Who made bats and rats and cats? Who made  
everything?

2 Who put the gold into the sunshine? Who put the  
sparkle in the stars?  
Who put the silver in the moonlight? Who made  
Earth and Mars?  
Who put the scent into the roses? Who taught the  
honeybee to dance?  
Who put the tree inside the acorn? It surely can't be  
chance!  
Who made seas and leaves and trees? Who made  
snow and winds that blow?  
Who made streams and rivers flow?  
God made all of these.

## **Prayers**

Father, we thank you for our wonderful world, full of light and colour.

We thank especially for our own families and friends and for all those we love.

In a country on the other side of the world, there are people just like us who need some help. In Newton Theological College, Papua New Guinea we have the chance to make a real difference to children and families we have never met.

In Jesus we are all one big family.

Let us find some ways to help, or just to understand a little more about life in Papua New Guinea

Amen

Dear Lord,

We know that Papua New Guinea is a place far away from our own homes. But it is the home to children and families who love you and praise you. In their church and community help them to feel your love around them and to know that we are thinking of them from so far away.

We pray for the people who are training and for their families. We pray that they may have clean water. We pray for new ideas for the children and young people that they may learn like us, to explore and find out how more about your wonderful world.

Lord we ask this in your name.

Amen

Father, we know clean water is needed for every person on

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this planet. We are fortunate to have a home and country where clean water is here for us all. We use it for drinking and washing, what would we do without it?

We think of the children and families in Papua New Guinea where this is not the same. Where many in the countryside wash their clothes in rivers and store their water in containers.

Let us do what we can for the Bishop's Lent Appeal, The Water of Life, through our actions and our prayers.

Amen

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