

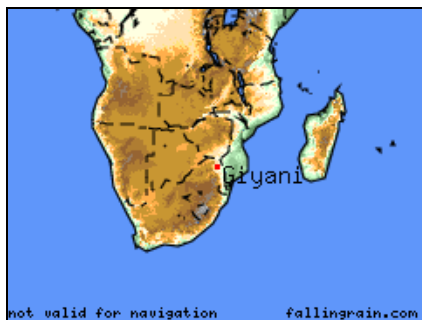
Water for a Well Project

Epsilon Eta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International accepted the challenge to bring clean water to a remote area of South Africa beginning in 2005. Water is scarce among the rural communities, and the government controls all water access from its pipelines. With this in mind, the chapter began raising money to bore a hole for a well to serve people who have no fresh water source. Nu Chi and Pi Pi chapters also provide financial support.



The photos show women pumping water from a government owned pump, then transporting the water several miles to their homes.

Plans evolved as Dr. Gladys Mabunda, native to South Africa and a member of Epsilon Eta, identified a group that could benefit most from the drilling of a bore hole, installation of casings, water pumps, and a water tank. A local church, Trinity Life Centre emerged as an ideal partner. Trinity Life is a church and is registered as a non-profit (Registration No: 058-013). This is the site selected to drill a borehole to supply Bambeni Settlement, which does not have water. The settlement is served by the Kanana Church, a branch of the Trinity Life Centre Church. The arrangement affords accountability through the church council for locating the best site and for administering the funds. Mrs. Khosa, a member of the nearby Presbyterian Church, has been informative and helpful as we seek to make this project a reality. She referred us to Mrs. Nellie Mavangwa, a member of the church and the coordinator of the Well Project at Trinity Life Centre Church. Mrs. Mavangwa has aided in securing three actual quotations. The cost of the project will reach up to an estimated \$4500 (U.S. Currency). Though Epsilon Eta continues to work toward the goal, additional funds are needed to meet the full cost of the project.



Bambeni is settlement village located in Limpopo Province (formerly Northern Province) in South Africa. Bambeni is located just outside the city of Giyani, and it is under the Giyani Municipality. Giyani is a town in the Limpopo province in north eastern South Africa. Giyani is located in the heart of Limpopo Bushveld, on the northern bank of the Klein (Little) Letaba River west of Kruger National Park. Situated in what was the northern portion of Gazankulu, Giyani was established in the 1960s as the administrative centre for the Tsonga people. Giyani is now the administrative capital of the Mopani District Municipality.

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Chapters Thank You for Helping us
Bring Water to Bambeni!