

December 2010 Well Drilling Team

The drill team in December 2010 was my second time in Burkina Faso with Friends in Action. I had been the previous year and had such a blessed time that I just had to go back again. I never imagined that I would have a desire to be in a place like Burkina, but it's wonderful to look back and see where the Lord can lead you if you let Him.

To be honest, I am not a great lover of sun holidays, so in my mind I kept saying no to going as I thought I could not stick the heat. Psalm 121 was a great challenge to me, so I took a step of faith and trusted the Lord to look after me as I was way out of my comfort zone, and guess what – He did, and more! I don't have any drilling or mechanical skills that I thought were needed, but if you are prepared for a bit of general labour and willing to do it for Gods work, then you will fit right in. It was great working with a group of Christians and there was always a good team spirit and loads of laughs throughout the trip.



This trip really opened my eyes as to how some people in our world live and sometimes I had to remind myself that we actually do live in the same world! I have seen plenty of pictures and videos before, but nothing brings it home to you when you see it with your own eyes. Even though the people have virtually no possessions, they seem content and really just seek clean drinking water – something we maybe all take for. When you do get, the joy of the people is overwhelming.



Another fantastic thing I will always remember was when the local Pastor was teaching the villagers under a tree about Jesus. For many villagers, this was maybe the first time they heard the good news of Jesus and many people trusted in the Lord as their Saviour. Having been on two trips now, I would recommend it to anyone if they are considering it. Both trips I came back with more than I gave!

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