



PRESS RELEASE

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Bennett Opie provide freshwater well in East African village

Bennett Opie has announced that they have sponsored a second freshwater well in Uganda. Bennett Opie's Jele Well is found in the Olio Sub County, located in Serere district in North Eastern Uganda where access to water was extremely limited.

Prior to the installation of the well, the nearest water source for this community was located 1.5km away. The Bennett Opie Well will provide clean fresh water for 160 households, and an estimated 1400 people.

Bennett Opie have worked with the Fields of Life charity and the Jele Well is the 389th well the charity has drilled.

William Opie, Managing Director at Bennett Opie Limited said "Supporting this charity impacts on so many and has a direct improvement in their quality of life. Prior to the installation of the Bennett Opie well, the water source available to local people was exposed to many pathogens and put lives at risk of suffering from waterborne diseases. Access to freshwater is something in the Western world we take for granted which is why we are delighted to work with Fields of Life and to help them in their campaign to give the gift of freshwater in East Africa. This is the second well we have supported and hope to be able to back more initiatives in the future."

Debbie Cameron, Head of Development and Fundraising at Fields of Life said "We are so very grateful to Bennett Opie for their continued, loyal support for this vital project. Their generosity has an immediate, direct



impact on communities in the developing world. We want to make a difference and provide sustainable community development, which we can only achieve through our partnerships with companies such as Bennett Opie.”

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PHOTO ATTACHMENT: The Bennett Opie Jele Well, Olio Sub County, Serere district, North Eastern Uganda

Notes for Editors:

Bennett Opie produce a range of products under their own Opies brand. They are also fine food importers and distributors and represent several brands in the UK including Monin, Lingham’s Chilli Sauce, Barry Norman Pickled Onions, Ferns Curry Pastes, Delice de Provence cherries and Clément Faugier chestnuts.

About Fields of Life: Fields of Life is a non-denominational Christian International Development organisation with almost twenty five years of experience of working in East Africa. Working in Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya, Democratic Republic of Congo and South Sudan seeking to work with partners in providing sustainable community development.

Photo/Filming/Interview Opportunities:

- Interviews with the Bennett Opie Team
- Industry comment on importing brands, grocery, retail

Media Opportunities:

- Photographic library including pack and lifestyle shots
- Recipe ideas

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