## Tabi, Quintana Roo, Mexico Water Project, 2020-2023

WPC has joyously chosen to support a mission between Newark Rotary, Living Waters for the World and Bet-El Presbyterian Church of Tabi. We are supporting the installation of a water purification system within this jungle community of 700 people. This is an Ejido community, an area of communal land used for agriculture in which community members have



usufruct rights rather than ownership rights to land, which in Mexico is held by the Mexican state. People awarded ejidos in the modern era farm them individually in parcels and collectively maintain communal holdings with government oversight. In Tabi, their product is logging and re-planting trees.

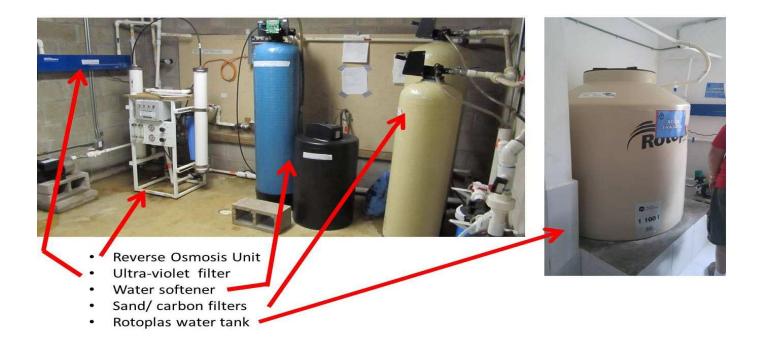
Bet-El Presbyterian Church of Tabi	

Tabi is located in the state of Quintana Roo. Some members of the Geneva Presbytery visited this community in February of 2020. These gentle people gathered in the school grounds eager to hear if we were the ones that would prevent them from driving hours to purchase pure water. Purchase at a significant cost. The water purification facility would enable them to pick up their water within their community and at a reduced rate.

Living Waters for the World is an organization that has brought pure drinking water to communities of need. Their goal is to enable the communities to sustain the water system where it will support itself. The LWW organization is careful to match communities that can through sufficient population and drive partner with a group of people who are willing to transfer their knowledge to ensure operation of the system is sustained and further sustains purification standards. The primary organization partnering with LWW and Tabi is the Newark, NY Rotary Club. The most amazing thing has happened in this project. Other LWW communities, other rotary clubs and church groups are joining forces to take on the financial and manpower to enable this project. Graciously, the leading force is Linda Werts. She has brought all the groups together to make this all possible.

The initial funds for the building construction were collected primarily by the Rotary clubs, \$10,000. An additional \$15,000 is needed to purchase the water purification system that gets installed in the building. As of August 15, 2021 there has been a buy-a-part sale where almost \$6000 was raised.

## **Inside a Water Plant**



## We, WPC, are supporting this project in various ways:

- Support the project with education supply donations
- Water jug collection
- **Buy-A-Part** auction
- Travel to Mexico in February 2022 and assist with installation. Many hands are needed at every skill level. *Please join me*.
- Prayer of support for the implementation, the travel of participants and Prayer for the dear people of Tabi.

## Tabi – site of future water plant



Two buildings will be built. One for the water purification system and the other as bathrooms

