

## **Operation Blessing International Delivering Tons Of Emergency Supplies, Food & Chlorine To Rural Nepal**

- Charity Sets Up Chlorine Production Facility In Kathmandu-

Virginia Beach, VA (May 4, 2015) – Operation Blessing International (OBI) delivered tons of emergency supplies and food, and much needed chlorine, to hundreds of families in rural villages and towns in Nepal this weekend, some of which had not yet received any aid in the aftermath of the April 25th earthquake that killed over 7,000 people.

The OBI team, led by Vice President of International Operations, David Darg, traveled to several villages and towns this weekend that were “completely destroyed and the residents had not received any aid as of yet,” said Darg.

The team distributed tons of rice, lentils, tea, oil, sugar, energy bars for children, plastic tarps for shelters, flashlights, blankets, plus hygiene and cleaning supplies to hundreds of families that had lost everything in the disaster.

The team also set up community water stations using H2Go units, hand-held portable chlorine generators that will disinfect up to 80 gallons of water using only common table salt and a single battery charge. In one town, Bhaktapur, which suffered severe damage and many deaths, residents are getting their water from a contaminated well, so Operation Blessing deployed a team to be on site at the well to disinfect the water as it is extracted.

“Safe water is a major concern in every village we have visited,” said Darg. “The majority of quake victims are getting their water from contaminated sources, so OB’s chlorine program will have a far reaching and lifesaving impact.”

In addition to the distributions of emergency food and supplies in rural villages, the Operation Blessing team successfully set up a chlorine production facility in Katmandu, using two Severn Trent Sanilec 6 chlorine generation units that were shipped from the USA. Each unit is capable of producing up to 110 gallons of sodium hypochlorite (NaClO) in 24 hours, which can then be used for surface disinfection and/or to make safe water.

As of Tuesday, Operation Blessing will be producing 220 gallons of chlorine a day, which is capable of disinfecting over 600,000 gallons of water. The charity has hired local men to distribute the chlorine by motorcycle to strategic points throughout the city and affected villages.

Operation Blessing, one of the largest international humanitarian organizations, is already a recognized leader in providing safe water to millions of people around the world in some of the harshest conditions imaginable. From intensive efforts to disinfect millions of gallons of drinking water in Haiti before and after the earthquake and cholera outbreak, to digging thousands of water wells all over the world, to building municipal water systems in Latin America, Africa and Sichuan, China, OBI has always utilized leading-edge equipment and an expertise in hydrology and logistics to provide safe water on a massive scale.

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