



Chapin Living Waters

Introducing David Rivers, Interim Executive Director



Chapin Living Waters is pleased to announce the appointment of David Rivers, Peterborough, Ontario, as interim Executive Director. David will serve on a temporary basis as the foundation continues the search for a candidate to fill the Executive Director position.

David Rivers is a native of Black River, NY, and a former member of Parkside Bible Church in Watertown. Following studies at Crown College, St. Bonifacius, MN, David served as an Associate Pastor at Parkside Bible Church and later served as pastor of a church in Philadelphia, NY. Following his years as a pastor, David Rivers served as a Business Development Representative with Sam's Club in Greenville, SC and Pickering, Ontario. Most recently David served as Executive Director of Elim Ministries, Inc., Lakehurst, Ontario. Under David's excellent leadership Elim was able to greatly expand their ministries.

David Rivers writes,

"Having been born and raised in Watertown and being active for many years at Parkside Bible Church, I am keenly aware of the impact of Chapin Watermatics and Chapin Living Waters in the community and around the world. My life was greatly influenced by the founders, Dick and Ruth Chapin, and many members of their family. I am also aware of how Mr. Chapin humbled himself and followed God, blessing missionaries working in developing nations, and impacting the Kingdom for eternity.

I am especially grateful for the opportunity I had to work with a Christian Conference Center over the last 10 years, and for the impact our team made in Canada and beyond. I look forward to working with Doug Carlson and the Chapin Living Waters Board of Directors to develop a strategic ministry plan as the foundation transitions into the future, building on the legacy of our founder, and expanded under the capable leadership of Doug Carlson, retiring Executive Director."

From The Desk of the Douglas Carlson

The transition has started as David Rivers graciously accepts the position as Interim Executive Director.

What an honor and blessing it has been for me these past five years serving Chapin Living Waters. We could not have accomplished as much as we have without your *prayerful* and financial support. I must put the accent on prayer. God has Blessed this ministry greatly.

I want to acknowledge the many individuals and groups who have come alongside this ministry and express my sincere appreciation to:

Rachel Walsh, who helped us set up Quick Books and maintains the accounting system and inventory for our drip irrigation parts and kits. She has served as our office manager since 2015.

Bob Kratzat who faithfully donated his service, overseeing volunteers who assemble kits and assist with various other various tasks including newsletter mailings.

Steve Moran who spent many hours removing old fencing, making repairs and improvements to the property, installing new fencing for our community garden, working with volunteers, and traveling to Ohio with CLW supervising the assembly of bucket kits at a community church.

Jefferson County Rehabilitation Center for faithfully coming weekly to assemble bucket kits these past 4 years.

Brenda Merrill who did lawn maintenance and graciously did anything she was asked to do including assembling bucket kits and helping with newsletter mailings.

Patricia-Minter Powell, Immaculate Heart Academy, for bringing students monthly during the school year to assemble bucket kits.

Many homeschoolers and their families for their volunteer hours assembling kits over the past 5 years.

Cornell Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners, Urban Mission, Asbury Methodist Church and all the volunteers that made it possible to harvest fresh vegetables and donate them to the Urban Mission Food Pantry. We have harvested and donated a total of over a ton of fresh vegetables to the Urban Mission Food Pantry in the past 2 seasons.

I also would like to again thank those who partnered with us enabling us to purchase the property and add a much-needed storage building to hold our inventory.

It has been such a blessing to partner with individual missionaries and other organizations to help feed the hungry and bring people to the living waters of Jesus Christ.

THANK YOU!

And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst. John 6:35

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