

DWELL

John 1:14

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Selah—JOHN 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Meet Hana from Indonesia. She walks two kilometres—dragging a cart loaded with 17 jerrycans—to the nearest borehole every day. “If in a day I don’t push the cart and fill all the jerrycans, I can’t cook for my family, or my children can’t take a shower,” says Hana.

Water scarcity is always challenging in her community, increasingly so in a pandemic when handwashing is critical. Compassion’s local church partner provided vital hygiene supplies and education to help overcome the water shortage and protect the health of children and families.

The gospel of John encourages us to remember that Christ came to this earth, He walked among us and experienced the pain and challenges of our everyday world. As we reflect on the stories of those who encounter challenges, like Hana’s, we have an opportunity to dwell and reflect, then walk in another’s shoes.



What does it mean to listen to the story of another, like Hana, and dwell here?



Dear God

Teach me through another’s story to understand what it is like to walk in their shoes. Show me something through these stories of hope, survival and courage. Help me to slow and dwell here, as Christ did. Deliver me from my self and help me to listen once again. Amen.