



WITHOUT REALIZING, WOMEN CARRIED CHOLERA HOME IN THE WATER. FLIES CARRIED THE DISEASE ON THEIR FEET.



WE SWALLOWED CHOLERA GERMS IN OUR WATER, ON OUR FOOD AND ON OUR FINGERS. UNWASHED HANDS SPREAD IT TOO. IT HAPPENED SO FAST.....



BY MORNING, MY FATHER WAS VERY SICK.









KNEW IT WAS CHOLERA. ONE LOOK AT HIS

FACE AND THEY KNEW," SHE SAYS.





"I WORRIED MY FATHER WOULD DIE BEFORE MY EYES, BUT HE SOON FELT A LITTLE STRONGER" "NOT EVERYONE WHO SWALLOWS CHOLERA GERMS GETS SICK LIKE MY FATHER, BUT THEY CAN STILL SPREAD THE DISEASE"



I TOLD HER SHE COULD MAKE THE WATER SAFE BY ADDING CHLORINE DROPS AND WAITING HALF AN HOUR.









I SAW VILLAGERS SPREADING CHOLERA INTO A RIVER. I TOLD THEM WE NEEDED TO DIG LATRINES FAR FROM THE RIVER, AT LEAST 30 METERS AWAY. THIS WAS IMPORTANT TO KEEP OUR VILLAGE CLEAN. I FOUND THE MOTHER PREPARING UNSAFE





"I WAS SO HAPPY TO SEE HE WAS BETTER. I WAS SO PROUD OF HIM," SHE SAID. "I'M SO HAPPY FOR HIM"



OUR VILLAGE BECAME HEALTHY. NOW WE FILTER AND OIL OUR WATER TO MAKE SURE IT IS SAFE.

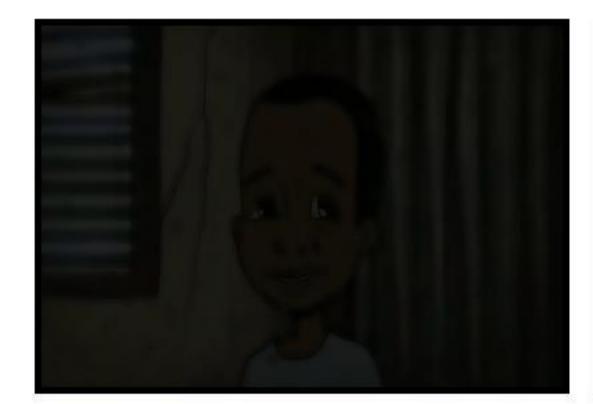


"WE ALWAYS USE LATRINES AND ALWAYS WASH OUR HANDS AFTER. WE ALWAYS USE THE LATRINE AND ALWAYS USE IT PROPERLY," HE SAID. "WE DON'T GO TO THE TOILET IN PUBLIC PLACES," HE ADDED.









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