

International Year of Fresh Water

With the drought, there's a lot of talk about local water restrictions and general water conservation measures.

But take a minute to think about the plight of people of poorer countries, and the impact that a lack of CLEAN water has on their lives.

A Small Drop of Justice

Every precious little drop of water
enables our planet and its peoples to sustain
so we need to conserve each diligently
from wastefulness we need to refrain

However, whilst this liquid of life itself
most commonly happens through rain
and though we all need it to live
it's not something we all equally gain

So, if fresh water is a liquid treasure
then this wealth is a must to retain
and what's more, for all the world's peoples,
a fair share is only humane

For health, good drinking water
is something we all need to obtain
its denial to the earth's needy millions
is something we can't morally maintain

Now, if your genuine tears for the thirsty and dying
others' actions appropriately constrain
be consoled that the loss of these passionate drops
will be converted for the needy's ultimate gain

However, perhaps it's simply by giving
you feel you'll assist the fresh water campaign
then please give as you're able to –
such contribution you shouldn't restrain

But, if for you, it's by persuasive argument
you feel that the message becomes plain
then at least use it whenever you can
in whatever is your political domain

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