

Labour Day 2025 Project Brief

Rehabilitating the Boys' and Girls' Bathrooms (Ages 12–15) at Haile Selassie High School

"...That even in the 20th Century, with faith, courage, and a just cause, David will still beat Goliath."

—H.I.M. Haile Selassie I

A Just Cause....

At Haile Selassie High School at Payne Land the challenge is not mythical—but it is great. In two aging bathrooms meant for our boys and girls between the ages of twelve(12) and fifteen(15), there is no running water. Toilets cannot flush. Sinks cannot pour. Instead, old pails, filled by hand, stand in for the basic dignity of a modern plumbing system.

But this is not a story of despair. This is a call to action.

For years, the burden has fallen on the shoulders of our **elderly workers** of cleanliness—who are steadfast and faithful in arriving before dawn each school morning. With buckets in hand, they walk distances to draw water so that the students may enter a clean space. Their devotion has kept the line from breaking. But their labor was never meant to replace our responsibility.

We do not raise this issue to shame, but to shine a light.

The students are not defeated. The staff are not broken. But the system needs repair.

Labour Day 2025 (the 23rd of May) is our slingshot. The goal is clear: rehabilitate the boys' and girls' bathrooms so that water flows again—for flushing, for handwashing, for health. Not luxury, but dignity. Not convenience, but justice.

This project is not merely about pipes and tiles. It is about affirming the value of every child who walks into that school. It is about honoring the quiet strength of those who have held the line for so long. And it is about proving to ourselves—and our youth—that with faith, hope, and a just cause, we can still win.

We can beat Goliath.

Let this Labour Day be remembered not for what we lacked, but for how we came together. Let it be the day the **pails were put down and the waters flowed freely once more.**

Let it be the day we restored not just the bathrooms—but the balance.

Current Condition – Girls' Bathroom (Figure 1)



Current Condition of the Girl's Bathroom(Figure 2-3)



Current Condition of the Girl's Bathroom(Figure 4)



Current Condition of the Girl's Bathroom(Figure 4.5)



Current Condition of the Boy's Bathroom(Figure 1)



Current Condition of the Boy's Bathroom(Figure 2)



Current Condition of the Boy's Bathroom(Figure 3)



Current Condition of the Boy's Bathroom(Figure 4)





HAILE SELASSIE SCHOOL RASTAFARI LABOUR DAY PROJECT 2025

12-15 Yrs Girls Bathroom Repairs Material

Item #	Amount	Description	Unit Cost	Total Cost
1	250	ft of half-inch PVC Pipe		
2	5	Shower Head		
3	4	doz. 1/2" T-Connectors		
4	2	doz. 1/2" T-Elbows		
5	3	doz. Female 1/2" Adapters		
6	1	doz. Angle Valve		
7	1	doz flex-tube(Bowl and Tank)		
8	10	Bowl Seat & Toilet Covers		
9	13	Pipe Cocks		

10	6	Tap Cocks		
11	1	Quart of PVC Cement		
12	1	Flush Handle(Toile Bowl)		
13	2	doz. 1/2" Coupling		
14	1	Box of one-and-a-half inch Clamps		
15	100	Concrete wall screw (One-and-a-half inch)		
16	12	Floor Tiles for Replace		
17	3	Gallons of Paint (Color: Teen Age Pink)		

12-15Yrs Boys' Bathroom Repairs Material'

Item #	Amount	Description	Unit Cost	Total Cost
1	200	ft of half-inch PVC Pipe		
2	5	Shower Head		
3	4	doz. 1/2" T-Connectors		
4	2.5	doz. 1/2" T-Elbows (5 for the Urinal Repairs)		
5	3	doz. Female 1/2" Adapters (5 for the Trough Urinal)		
6	0.5	doz. Angle Valve		
7	0.5	doz flex-tube(Bowl to Tank)		
8	2	New Complete Toilet Bowls (i.e Bowl and Tank)		
9	10	Bowl Seat & Toilet Covers		
10	19	Pipe Cocks (5 for Trough Urinal)		
11	6	Tap Cocks		
12	1	Quart of PVC Cement		
13	1	Flush Handle(Toile Bowl)		
14	2	doz. 1/2" Coupling		
15	1	Box of one-and-a-half inch Clamps		
16	100	Concrete wall screw (One-and-a-half inch)		
17	12	Floor Tiles for Replace		
18	3	Gallons of Paint (Color: Royal Blue)		
19	80	1' 8" Tiles for the Hand Washing Sink		

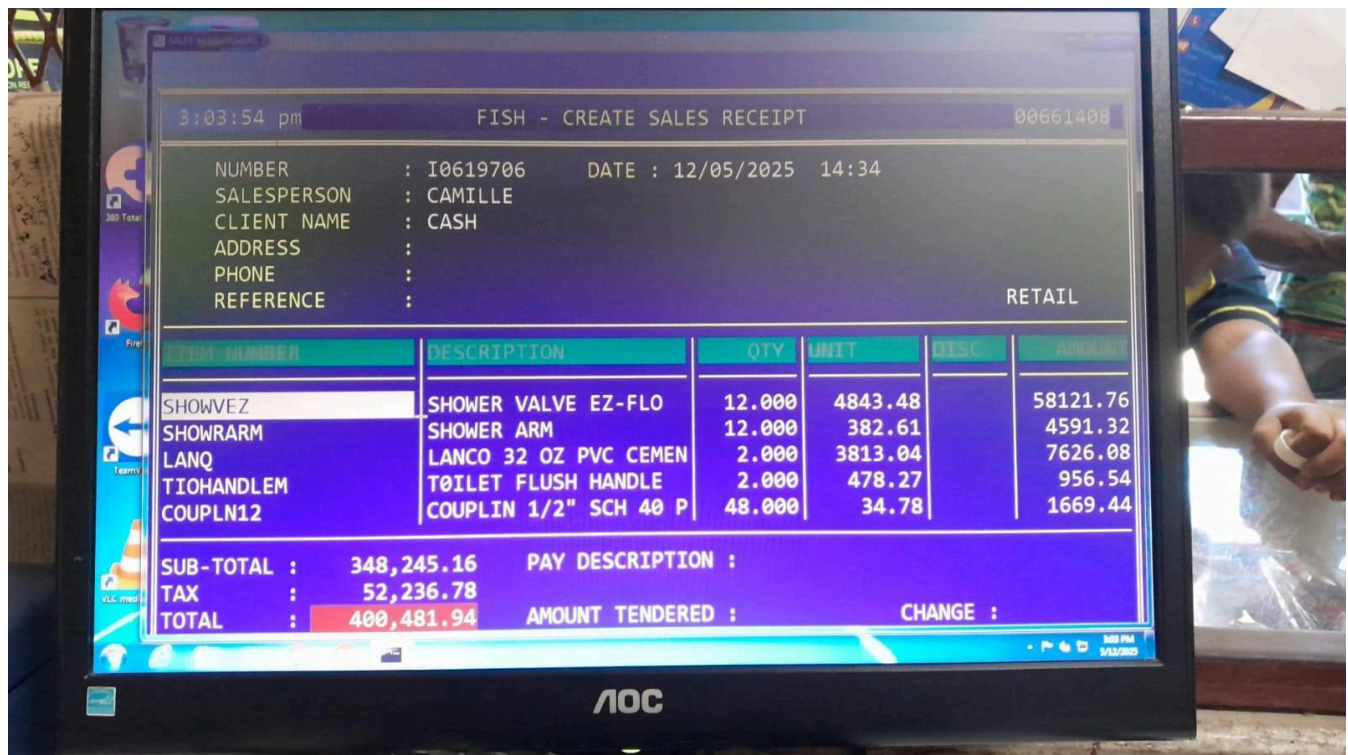
Staff Bathroom Repairs Material

Item #	Amount	Description	Unit Cost	Total Cost
1	2	Fosset Pipe (For both male and female bathrooms)		
2	1	Toilet Seat Cover		

School Building Façade

Item #	Amount	Description	Unit Cost	Total Cost
1	5	Gallon Oil Paint (Brown)		
2	3	Rolls of 1 inch Painters Tape		
3	1	Gallon White Paint for Louvre Windows		

Above are the items that are needed to effect the repairs and rehabilitation on Labour Day. Initial cost is estimated at \$400,000. The actual pro-forma invoices are being formulated by the suppliers as we speak.



Haile Selassie High School Principal's Letter of Support



HAILE SELASSIE HIGH SCHOOL

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May 13, 2025

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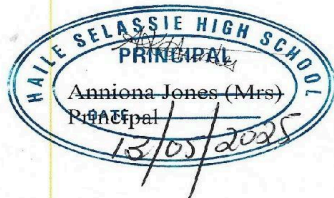
The Ethiopian World Federation Inc. is an intergovernmental organization founded on August 25, 1937 in New York by His Imperial Majesty Haile Selassie I. They are the 37th Chapter based in Jamaica at 33 Law Street, Kingston C.S.O.

This Labour Day, Friday, May 23, 2025, the organization will be targeting the Haile Selassie High School situated at 16-24 Payne Avenue, Kingston 11. Their main project will be the refurbishing of the boys and girls bathroom. This is a much needed venture as the units do not presently have adequate water supply or working sanitary units. Additionally, the Labour Day volunteers will be repainting the facade of the School's building facing the main road, giving it a much needed face lift.

This Labour Day activity will no doubt be of utmost importance as it will significantly impact and improve our students experience by enhancing comfort, hygiene and the overall atmosphere of the schools' environment.

The EWF is seeking sponsorship from your organization. Please give them your support as we seek to uplift and motivate our students in a positive and secure environment.

Yours truly
HAILE SELASSIE HIGH SCHOOL



We accept PLEDGES (cash, kind, volunteer labour) for now, so as to ensure purchases as done to reduce unnecessary spending on donations already done in kind. We are also asking for skilled and unskilled volunteers to help us on the day in both the painting and the plumbing works. You may contact through Email or Whatsapp

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creating a lasting and positive impression on them.

