

2021 JULY UPDATE FROM MINISTRY OF MERCY, NIGERIA Inc.



We bring you JULY greetings from Ministry of Mercy, Nigeria. We believe you are faring well.

Welcome to our monthly updates from all the three arms of our mission:

- MoM Orphanages
- MoM Christian Academy and
- MoM Medical Center.

Here are some of our stories for the month.

MINISTRY OF MERCY ORPHANAGES



The two locations of MoM Orphanages – Otutulu village and Lokoja received and cared for many orphans and vulnerable people who joined our large family in the month of JULY.

New Arrivals:

MoM Orphanages had 5 new arrivals in the month of July.

- i. MoM orphanage Otutulu received a newborn baby **Neziru Idris** on July 1, 2021.



The baby was brought to the orphanage for his care and upkeep following the death of his mother immediately after she was delivered on June 16, 2021. The boy who is an Afo by tribe hails from Nasarawa State. It was agreed for him to be reunited with his biological family after two years.

- ii. Baby **Mary Seni** was born on June 30, 2021 and was brought to Ministry of Mercy Orphanage on July 5, 2021 for her care and upkeep following the death of her mother.

Mary hails from a Christian home in Benue State, please, pray that Mary may grow to accept Jesus as her Lord and personal Savior. She will be reunited with her biological family after 18 years.



- iii. On July 10, 2021, baby Rebecca E. Matthew brought to MoM orphanage Otutulu for proper care and upbringing following the death of her mother shortly after her birth. The girl hails from a Christian family in Kogi State. She will be with the MoM family for her care and upbringing until she attains the age of 18. Please, pray that God may add more helping hands as our hands are packed full and babies are trooping in in their numbers.



- iv. On the 18th of July, 2021, baby Deborah Joshua arrived Ministry of Mercy Orphanage Lokoja for her care and upkeep following the death of her mother on July 14, 2021 shortly after delivery. She hails from a Christian home in the Federal Capital Territory. We know that the good Lord who preserved her life will make a wonder out of her. She will be reunited with her biological family after a period of two years.



- v. MoM Orphanage Lokoja received yet another baby David Jonah in the month of July. The baby was diagnosed to have multiple congenital disabilities. he was



brought by his mother who was unable to afford the cost of keeping and caring for this kind of child. We arranged with the mother to stay back to take care of her son as we would pay her as a nanny. He hails from the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja. The mother would be around to take care of David until we are able to find a permanent caregiver for him.

- During the month of July, two new staff joined the services of Ministry of Mercy Orphanage Lokoja.



while Mrs Rebecca Wabari joined MoM orphanage Lokoja as a nanny. Please pray for divine provision to keep meeting the ever increasing needs of our very large family.

MINISTRY OF MERCY FARMS

a. Poultry

- i. **Layers:** we are now picking an average of 8 crates from our poultry on daily basis which is being used in feeding our children in the two homes- Otutulu and Lokoja. This has significantly improved our children's diet.



- ii. Our set of 300 broilers is ready for consumption. We consume an average of 8 broilers in the two homes- Otutulu and Lokoja. In the month of July, we also



received another set of 200 broilers to ensure that we have another set ready for consumption just before the older ones gets finished.

- **Crop farm:** Our orphanage family in Otutulu have resorted to garri processing as a substitute for cassava flour which we would need enormous sunshine to process



since we now live in days of little or no sunshine. The nannies and the older children have been working tirelessly to ensure we have enough garri for the two homes.

We have almost exhausted our cassava in the farm and that would mean that we may start buying from the market anytime soon. We are preparing our farmlands for cassava as that is a major part of our nutrition.

Best Regards,

Alidu Monday, Sabo Yunusa and Ogijoh Joseph.

MoM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



It is the joy of every Secondary School (High School) to be accredited to be able to register her SSS 3 (grade 12) students in the West African Examination Council and the National Examination Council Certificate Examinations right in the school.

Over the years, Ministry of Mercy Christian Academy has rather registered her candidates in neighboring schools since we have not been approved to conduct those examinations in our school.

The management has made it a goal to ensure that the school gets approval before the next round of Examinations.

As part of the requirements for WAEC and NECO Centre approval, we are currently building and stocking our science Laboratories with the needed equipment.

Please, pray that the Lord may open doors for the smooth execution of this project.

New Staff Employed at MoM Christian Academy

Miss Chubiyoyo Grace Haruna joined the branch of Ministry of Mercy Christian academy in Lokoja as a teacher



Daycare Program

Our daycare program significantly improved in the month of July as we were able to purchase a multi-task Projector and a sound system. This makes for effectiveness on the part of the coordinators.

As always, diapers and the cost of running generators have continued to be a major challenge, but, we trust his faithfulness even in the midst of little.



Sincerely yours,

Monday Alidu, Sabo Yunusa and Ogijo Joseph

MINISTRY OF MERCY MEDICAL CENTER



The month's update on our mission hospital is presented along the paths of the three main domains of the hospital's activities – General healthcare, Charity and the Gospel. We have the following few selected stories and relevant statistics from this arm:

CHARITY HEALTH SERVICES:

Several medical services were provided to many patients for free or at assisted cost during the month. Most of these services have to do with **maternal and child health cases**. **16** women had **child deliveries free of charge** within the month, **9** of these were **free cesarean sections**. This is in addition to **several orphans** who also had **medical services free of charge**. Few of these stories are summarized below Here we have the following selected few stories and relevant statistics.



Esther RAPHAEL, 39 year old lady from Edo State, a mother of 2, presented in her 3rd pregnancy. She had uneventful antenatal period. However lie remained transverse. She therefore had an elective CS. Mother and baby are doing well.

Shabatu KABIRU, 18 year old Hausa lady from kaduna state in her first

Pregnancy, presented with prolonged labour. She had a baby boy via emergency CS. Mother and baby are doing well.



Ejura IDAKWO, a 28 year old Igala lady from Kogi state who presented in her 2nd pregnancy with a previous history of CS (no child alive), obesity and post datism. She had a baby boy via CS. Mother and baby are doing well.

Kate EGONG, 25 old from Cross River State, in her 2nd pregnancy presented with prolonged labour and a previous CS. She had a female neonate via emergency CS. Mother and child are doing well.



Priscilla USMAN, 28 year old lady from Anyigba, Kogi State, came in her 1st pregnancy with Breech presentation, contracted pelvis and pelvic muscle atrophy. She had a baby boy via an elective CS. Mother and child are doing well.



Grace KAYODE, 32 year old, Yoruba lady, in her 4th pregnancy, presented with a suspected big baby and previous scar. She had a live male neonate via elective CS. Mother and child are doing well.



Hannah ARUWA, Igala, 35 in her 3rd pregnancy had an uneventful ANC period. However her 2 previous deliveries were through CS. Therefore this 3rd pregnancy was via elective CS. She and her Male neonate are doing well.



Saidat ABUH, 24, an Igala lady from Kogi state, in her 2nd pregnancy, presented with Transverse/Breech at term and therefore had an emergency CS. Mother and baby are doing well.

Gift SOLOMON, 20 year old, Tiv lady from Benue state in her 2nd pregnancy went into labour at term after she was hit by stray bullets in the abdomen. She had a live female neonate with bullet wound at the right shoulder. The mother was brought to the hospital



on account of profuse bleeding. She was immediately taken in for emergency laparotomy. Findings in theatre were haemoperitoneum and piercings through the uterus from



bullets. These were repaired in a surgery that lasted over 4hours. She had massive transfusion. Mother and baby are doing well.

Jumoke ADELEGUN, 36 in her 5th pregnancy, was brought in unconscious with excessive bleeding at term. Emergency Laparotomy was commenced. Findings were placenta previa and IUFD (intrauterine fetal death). Subtotal hysterectomy was done. She is doing well.



Statistics on Charity Services

Antenatal care statistics		
Week	New patients	Patients on follow-up
Week 1		
Week 2	16	21
Week 3	05	27
Week 4	04	20
Week 5	05	28
Total	30	96
Grand Total Number of Visits		126
Other Free Consultation (Children below 1 year, orphans and indigents) excluding pregnant women		34
Number of Deliveries		
C-Sections		09
Normal Deliveries		07
Total Births		16
Number Who Received Drugs for Free (Children below 1 year, orphans, pregnant women and indigents)		72
Number Who Had Laboratory Tests for Free		27
Total Number of Free Surgical Procedures		09

Preventive Primary Health Care:

Immunizations (within the hospital)	
Number of children immunized	77
Number of doses received	228
Number of women immunized (tetanus toxoid)	17
Number of doses	17
Contraception:	
Women received contraceptives	4

General out-patient department



Here we have the following selected few stories and relevant statistics.

Omolabake SUNDAY, 38 in her 4th pregnancy, presented with severe anaemia, abdominal distention and fainting attack. She was evaluated to have a ruptured ectopic pregnancy with haemoperitoneum. It was drama in the operation theatre as the floor was covered with blood. She had massive blood transfusion. At the end it was worth the troubles as the patient walked out of the facility healthy after 11 days.

The family remained grateful to the facility and declaring that God indeed works through men.

Paul SAMSON, 16 year old boy, presented with fever, abdominal pain and

vomiting. He visited a peripheral hospital before presenting at MoMMC.



Ultrasound studies suggested Intestinal Obstruction from typhoid perforation.

An exploration of the abdomen revealed Typhoid perforation with Peritonitis.

The damaged bowels were resected. Patient is still in the ward and hopes are high that he will make it.

General Healthcare Statistics

General

visits	
Old	109
New	86
Total	195
Ward admissions	42
Surgical procedures	16
Total no. who received drugs	237
Total number of laboratory tests done	669
Number of transfusions	21

THE GOSPEL

Another Soul Saved!

MoM Medical Center recorded another salvation when Daniel Dunia decided to surrender his life to the Lord right in the hospital.

Our regular morning devotions and ward evangelism have continued as usual. Attendance has been very good. However, there are people who are still not willing to listen to the Gospel let alone accept it. Prayers continue to be needed for them.

May we continue to be fruitful in every aspect as a Christian mission medical center by the grace and mercy of God.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Samuel Alhassan, Dr. Friday Odiba and Pastor James A. Ogwuche

On behalf of the Medical Director,

MoM Medical Center



Dr. W. A. S. Omale, MD

Consultant Ophthalmologist and Medical Director,

MoM Medical Center

PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Thank God for His love bestowed on all our orphans and staff at our orphanages.
2. Thank God for sustaining our orphans and vulnerable children with divine supplies.

3. Thank God for every safe child birth and patient recovery at MoM Medical Center.
4. Please pray for us as we need more caregivers to help us take care of the many orphaned babies at Ministry of Mercy Orphanages in Otutulu and Lokoja.
5. Please pray for more resources for their upkeeps: a) baby formula and milk, b) today's food for the entire families, there is famine in the land, c) their health needs as well as the educational needs of the older ones.
6. We are embarking on the following projects with steps of Faith: a) residential buildings at Otutulu and Lokoja Orphanages, b) kitchens/dining that can accommodate an average of 100 about dinners at MoM Lokoja and an average of about 200 dinners at MoM Otutulu. We trust that with God, all things are possible.
7. We have moved in and now worshiping in our chapel in Otutulu though it's far from completion. Praise the Lord there is roof but yet to have doors, windows, electrical, toilets facilities and seats.
8. We are working on our school laboratories. We are converting a classroom to equip it for now to be able to meet our immediate needs as we are expecting a team of inspectors.
9. The monthly staff salaries of our caregivers, our teachers as well as our medical staff/health workers.
10. The spiritual needs of our staff especially our children. We have more teenagers on monthly basis.
11. Pray for our new converts. The Lord continues to add more souls steadily from our Sunday School classes, the services of the Ministry of Mercy Medical Centre as well as the Ministry of Mercy Christian Academy and from our various youths programs. Please pray for Daniel Dunia who has just surrendered his life to Christ in the hospital, that God will give him a firm foundation in HIM. Pray for everyone who has been presented with the Gospel of Jesus Christ but yet to let the Lord into their lives, that He may draw them to Himself.

12. Pray for the health challenges of me and my wife as well as some of our elders in the local assemblies.
13. Please Pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in the country.
14. Please PRAY FOR NIGERIA. The Lord owns the land no matter what.

Thank you for your invaluable continuous partnership in prayers, thanksgiving and giving.

Sincerely yours,

**Dr ODIBA Friday,
For the Publicity Unit,
Ministry of Mercy, Nigeria.**

Ministry of Mercy..., *Love finds a way. 1 Cor. 13:7*

DONATIONS

You are welcome to help more of these kind of people get help however you can: you can help an orphan get a meal, diapers, infant formula/milk, clothes; you can help a pregnant woman access a doctor for expert antenatal consultation and care, or help her give birth in expert medical hands, or help a sick child see a doctor, or any of these under listed services, for free or at an affordable subsidy through your donations as God will enable you. All donations are welcome.

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MoM Medical Center

Maternal Care	Full Cost Waiver in Naira	Full Cost Waiver in USD Current exchange rate averages 362 naira per dollar, but may increase or decrease at any time.
Cesarean section	150,000 naira	\$416.00
Normal delivery	22,000 naira	\$61.00
Antenatal consultation	300 naira per visit	\$0.85
Routine antenatal drugs/medicines	Average 4,000 naira per pregnancy	Average \$11.00
Other Medical Services	Total in 2018: 2,300 naira	Average \$6.35
Pediatrics care - Kids below 1 year and all Orphans	Full Cost Waiver in Naira	Full Cost Waiver in USD
Clinic consultation	300 naira per visit	\$0.85
Ward Review	200 naira per review, average 2-7 reviews per hospital stay	\$0.55 per review
Lab tests	Average of 1500 naira per test, average 3-5 tests per patient	\$4.20
Drugs/medicines	600-5,000 naira per course	\$1.70-\$14.00
Other Medical Services	Total in 2018: 2,300 naira per patient	Average \$6.35
Clinic consultation	150 naira per visit	\$0.40
Ward review	100 naira per review, average 2-7 reviews per hospital stay	\$0.30
Lab tests	Average 750 naira per test, average 3-5 tests per patient	\$2.10
Drugs/medicines	1,500-2,500 naira per course	\$4.14-\$6.91
Other Medical Services	Total in 2018 150 naira	\$0.41
Widows and indigent patients	Cost Reduced According to the Patients' Needs	"Sliding Scale"
All Medical Services	Total in 2018 > 93,760 naira	>\$259.00

MoM Orphanages

Items	quantity	Cost (in naira)	Cost (US dollars)
Infant milk per child for one month	8 tins	24,000	66.30
Diapers for one child for a month	2 packs	8,600	23.76

Here are options of the links through which you can send in your donations

Through EQUIP CANADA:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/equipping-christian-workers-society/#donate-now-pane>

Through EQUIP USA:

<https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/equipinternational>

Through Partners in Joy (PiJ):

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=5XJ6GYTCC36N8&source=url

Explore our website @: www.ministryofmercy.org

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