

# 2021 NOVEMBER UPDATE FROM MINISTRY OF MERCY, NIGERIA Inc.



We bring you November greetings from Ministry of Mercy, Nigeria.

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 in the months of November.

- **New arrivals:**

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

- i. Baby Mercy Benjamin was brought to Ministry of Mercy Orphanage Otutulu on November 5, 2021 for her care and upkeep following the death of her mother during childbirth on November 4, 2021. She will be reunited with her biological family after 18 years.



- ii. On November 15, 2021, Ministry of Mercy Orphanage, Otutulu received a set of twin babies Success Ojodomo Anthony and Wisdom Ojoanache Anthony who were born on July 31, 2021. They were brought to the Orphanage for their care and upkeep following the death of their mother. We need prayers for more aunties that will help in taking care of the ever increasing number of our babies.



- iii. On November 6, 2021, baby Ukpowokiga Danladi was brought to MoM orphanage, Otutulu for his care and upkeep following the death of his mother on November 4, 2021 as a result of complications from childbirth. It was agreed for the child to be reunited with their biological family after two years.





- iv. Baby Famous Sediq who was born on November 29, 2021 was brought to Ministry of Mercy Orphanage Otutulu on November 30, 2021 for his care and upkeep following the death of his mother during childbirth. It was agreed for him to be reunited with his biological family after 18 years.



## MINISTRY OF MERCY FARMS

### A. Poultry

- i. **Layers:** there has been a drop in egg production lately and we are now picking an average of 6 crates from our poultry on daily basis which is being used in feeding our children in the two homes- Otutulu and Lokoja. This significantly contributes to the improvement our children's diet.



- ii. Our broilers are now ready for consumption. We consume an average of 8 broilers on daily basis. Thank God for his provision.



- B. Fish pond:** The first set of 2000 fingerlings we got in August is now ready for consumption. It is being used in feeding our children in the two homes. This has greatly improved the nutritional need of our children.



**Best Regards,**

**Alidu Monday, Sabo Yunusa and Ogijoh Joseph.**

# MoM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



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Ministry of Mercy Christian Academy was able to get full approval from the National Examination Council (NECO) to be able to present her candidates in Senior School Certificate Examinations.

Praise God!

## Daycare Program

Thank God for our daycare program. Our toddlers have a great time there during working ours. God has provided the finances I the face of great needs. He is faithful. We trust Him for continued supplies.



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**. **14** women had **child deliveries virtually free of charge** within the month, one of these was a **super-subsidized cesarean section**. This is in addition to **several orphans** who also had **medical services free of charge**. Few of these stories and statistics are summarized below.

**Aisha MOHAMMED**, a 32 year old mother of 3 who presented in her 4<sup>th</sup> pregnancy with vaginal bleeding. An emergency CS was done. Findings were: anaemia, severe hypertension, ruptured uterus and dead female fetus. Uterus was repaired and bilateral tubal ligation was done. Anemia was corrected and blood pressure was controlled. She did well and was discharged.



**Omowunmi ADEDOYIN**, a 40 year old mother of 1 who came in her 2<sup>nd</sup> pregnancy with prolonged obstructed labor. Had an emergency CS. Findings were: dead male fetus, obstructed labor and partial uterine rupture. She is doing well.



**Zuwaira MUHAMMED,**

She is a 30 year old civil servant, and mother of 2 from 3 pregnancies. She presented with an upper thigh swelling of 1 year duration. The swelling which thought to be Rhabdomyosarcoma (a soft tissue cancer) was removed and sent for histology. She is to be reviewed with result later.



## Statistics on Charity Services

<b>Antenatal care statistics</b>		
<b>Week</b>	<b>New patients</b>	<b>Patients on follow-up</b>
Week 1	11	26
Week 2	04	18
Week 3	10	24
Week 4	03	20
Week 5	03	01
Total	31	89
<b>Grand Total Number of Visits</b>		<b>120</b>
<b>Other Free Consultation (Children below 1 year, orphans and indigents) excluding pregnant women</b>		<b>68</b>
<b>Number of Deliveries</b>		
C-Sections		01
Normal Deliveries		13
<b>Total Births</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Number Who Received Drugs for Free (Children below 1 year, orphans, pregnant women and indigents)</b>		<b>124</b>
<b>Number Who Had Laboratory Tests for Free</b>		<b>25</b>

## Preventive Primary Health Care:

<b>Immunizations (within the hospital)</b>	
Number of children immunized	101
Number of doses received	255
Number of women immunized (tetanus toxoid)	36
Number of doses	36
<b>Contraception:</b>	
Women received contraceptives	nil



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## GENERAL HEALTH CARE:

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

**Elaigwu IBRAHIM**, 27 years old young man with bilateral Plantar corn, a condition characterized by generalized hyperkeratosis (excessive thickening and folding) of soles of the feet. He had a wide excision and skin graft of the right foot last month. After a good healing. Same procedure was done for the left foot. He is in the ward recuperating.



**Nasiratu UMARO,**



A 7-year-old girl with an exposed sequestered left Tibia. She was operated by a team led by the orthopedic surgeon. The surgical operation was removal of dead bone, corticotomy of the tibia and application of Ilizarov (an external fixator) for bone transport. She is in the ward for daily manipulation.

## General Healthcare Statistics

### General

<b>General out-patient department visits</b>	
<b>Old</b>	<b>241</b>
<b>New</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>347</b>
<b>Ward admissions</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Surgical procedures</b>	<b>08</b>
<b>Total no. who received drugs</b>	<b>320</b>
<b>Total number of laboratory tests done</b>	<b>814</b>
<b>Number of transfusions</b>	<b>23</b>

### THE GOSPEL

We recorded the conversion of a soul during our regular hospital evangelism in the month of November. Praise God! Her name is Deborah Ade. Please pray for establishment in the Lord.

Our regular morning devotions and ward evangelism have continued as usual. Attendance has been very good.

We pray that 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 sustaining every of our orphans and staff at our orphanages.
2. Thank God for giving us the opportunity to care for the less privileged in the society. It is a great privilege.
3. Thank Him for a successful accreditation of our school as a Senior School Certificate Examination Center.
4. Thank God for His provision for our orphans and vulnerable children, as well as resources to pay our staff
5. Thank God for successful medical services at MoM Medical Center.



6. Please keep praying for more helping hands to join 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.
7. The monthly staff salaries of our caregivers, our teachers as well as our medical staff/health workers.
8. Pray that 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.

*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
<b>Other Medical Services</b>	Total in 2018 150 naira	\$0.41
<b>Widows and indigent patients</b>	<b>Cost Reduced According to the Patients' Needs</b>	<b>"Sliding Scale"</b>
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](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=5XJ6GYTCC36N8&source=url)

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