

2020 NOVEMBER UPDATES FROM MINISTRY OF MERCY, NIGERIA Inc.



Hearty greetings to you from all of us at Ministry of Mercy, Nigeria Inc. We trust God that you're doing well Spirit, Soul and Body.

We bring you the November edition of our monthly updates from all the three arms of our mission (MoM Medical Center, MoM Orphanages and MoM Christian Academy). God has been faithful, and we are thankful for it. Below are some of our stories for the month.

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.

GENERAL HEALTH CARE:

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



Breast cancer on treatment

Alimo BABA is a 35 year old woman, a mother of 4 who has been diagnosed of an aggressive form of right Breast Cancer. She is currently on chemotherapy (cancer drugs) and has shown some improvement. Nevertheless, this case remains very unpredictable.



Pa Uleji now walks smarter

Jere ULEJI Is an elderly man who has lived with much discomfort in the past few years with a huge hydrocoele (a fluid filled sac around the testicle, often noticed as swelling of the scrotum). He had a successful surgery and left rejoicing having been relieved of the discomfort and embarrassment.

General Healthcare Statistics

General

General out-patient department visits	235
Ward admissions	40
Surgical procedures	15
Total no. who received drugs	519
Total number of laboratory tests done	138
Number of transfusions	06

Preventive Primary Health Care:

Immunizations (within the hospital)	None given because supply chain in the state has logistic challenges
Number of children immunized	
Number of doses received	
Number of women immunized (tetanus toxoid)	
Number of doses	
Contraception.	
Women received contraceptives	02

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. 19 women had child deliveries free of charge within the month, 7 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.



Successful surgical intervention for Obstructed labour

Amina ILIYASU is a 25 year old, unregistered lady, who presented in her first pregnancy with prolonged obstructed labour . She had an emergency caesarian section. Mother and baby are doing well.



Dead baby removed while woman battles for survival

Zainab ABDULGANIYU is a 30 year old, not registered with us in Antenatal Clinics. A mother of 4 who presented in her 5th pregnancy with a dead baby in the womb. She was in a very bad condition requiring urgent intervention. She had a caesarian section. A macerated (decaying, dead baby) was removed. The management of this case has been challenging as the wound broke down and she was taken for secondary suturing under repairs. She is still in the ward improving and glory be to God....we are winning.



Baby DANIEL survives Birth Asphyxia

Babyboy DANIEL was delivered via spontaneous vaginal route but developed severe Birth Asphyxia (impaired respiration, suffocation). The baby didn't cry at birth, was weak, unable to suck and had convulsions. However, there was an immediate excellent initial treatment which was sustained. Baby gradually improved and was certified fit for discharge by the Chief Pediatrician. Follow up and reach out reveals that baby is doing well. It must be noted that Birth Asphyxia remains a major cause of neonatal mortality in this part of the world.

These women are grateful beneficiaries of the work compassion God is doing in MoMMC.
Thank God for His grace.

Statistics on Charity

Antenatal care statistics		
Week	New patients	Patients on follow-up
Week 1	05	18
Week 2	06	20
Week 3	08	20
Week 4	05	20
Week 5	04	28
Total	28	98
Grand Total Number of Visits		157
Other Free Consultation (Children below 1 year, orphans and indigents) excluding pregnant women		42
Number of Deliveries		
C-Sections		04
Normal Deliveries		12
Total Births		16
Number Who Received Drugs for Free (Children below 1 year, orphans, pregnant women and indigents)		172

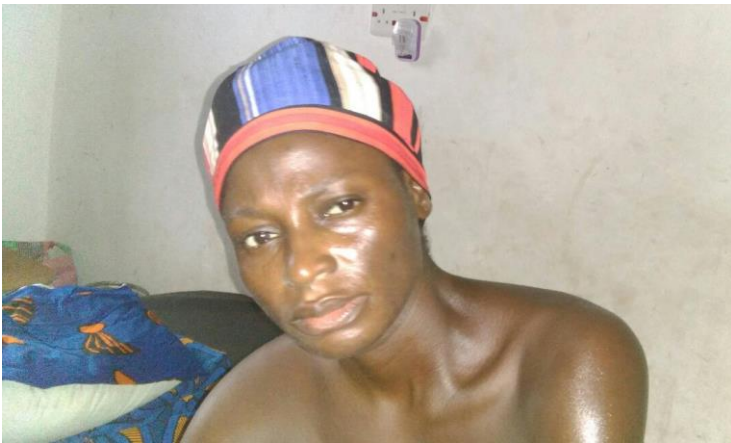
Number Who Had Laboratory Tests for Free	120
Total Number of Free Surgical Procedures	03

THE GOSPEL:

We have the following story of the gospel for the month of November.

Please Pray for Fati and Alimo

These two women are Muslims. They have been presented with the gospel of salvation but yet to turn to the Lord. Fati brought in a patient for care while Alimo is battling with cancer. A



person facing a metastatic cancer but who has not accepted the way of eternal life is a serious cause for concern. Let's commit her unto the One who is able to draw men (women) to Himself. May these women be part of the sheaves of harvest the Lord will bring home soon.

Thank God for Mrs Abdulganiu and her husband.

These couple, though have in the past found themselves attending church, just saw the need to hand their lives over God after hearing the gospel of salvation. The wife had just gone through a successful surgery.



The gospel continues to be preached unto many souls in different forms: one-on-one and in groups during our morning devotional sessions in the hospital. Your prayers continue to be needful. ***Ephesians 6:18-19.***

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

Blessings,

Dr. Samuel Alhassan and Dr. Friday Odiba

On behalf of the Medical Director,

MoM Medical Center



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MINISTRY OF MERCY ORPHANAGES

The presence and provision of God has always been our experience at the homes both in Otutulu village and Lokoja. The month of November was not an exception. Hundreds of orphans and vulnerable children, as well as widows with diverse daily needs, all under the care of a single human “Daddy”, yet no one goes to bed hungry, none moves about unclothed,

no medical or educational need goes unmet. This is because a loving and competent non-human, heavenly Daddy “gives us each day our daily bread”. We have seen how much more we are worth than the sparrows and the lilies of the field. This is a wonder to remain thankful for.

MINISTRY OF MERCY FARMS

a. Poultry

Layers: During the month of October, we had a decrease in egg production by 6-7 crates per day which resulted from unavailability of commercial feeds at the retail outlets where we usually buy them.



But thankfully, the yield has increased. We now pick an average of 19 crates on daily basis, out of which 8 crates are being used in feeding our children in Otutulu and Lokoja.

Broilers: The first set of broilers we received was used in feeding our children in Otutulu and Lokoja. We consume an average of 8 broilers on daily basis. This has significantly improved our children’s diet and we would ever be grateful to thank God for this and numerous other blessings.



In the month of November, MoM Orphanages Otutulu and Lokoja received another set of 200 and 100 broilers respectively. This set is our supposed source of meat for Christmas and New Year celebrations.



b. Crop farming

- i. MoM orphanage has always utilized her large farmland to provide food for the family. We harvested the beans we planted sometimes in September and have stored them for processing after Christmas. This will be a huge source of protein for our children.





- ii. MoM orphanage Otutulu has continued cassava processing to feed the two locations of the Orphanage – Otutulu and Lokoja.



c. **Fish pond**

Our fish pond has long been prepared to receive a new set of 2000 fingerlings. This is with the view of improving our children's diet.

Since we have not been able to restock our fishpond, we are currently buying 5 cartons of Ice fish per week to feed our children in the two homes.

Please, pray for resources to sustain the farm.



d. **Piggery:** we have quite a good number of pigs in our piggery. This has continued to be a huge source of meat for our large family.



MoM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



- **Promotion Examination.** MoM Christian Academy conducted her promotion examination across all classes for the 2019/2020 academic session in the month of

November. Followed by the examination week was the week for result compilation and vacation.

Teachers and students alike are on Christmas holiday which lasts till the first week of January, 2020.



Sincerely yours,

Monday Alidu, Sabo Yunusa and Ogijo Joseph

PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Appreciate God for His goodness we enjoy at Ministry of Mercy – peace, security, provision, new staff, healing, and salvation.
2. Thank God for every safe child birth and patient recovery at MoMMC.
3. Appreciate God and pray for His blessings upon every supporter of Ministry of Mercy – past, present and future supporters. May their hands never run dry in Jesus name.
4. There is the noise of “a second wave of covid19”. Please pray for the protection of God’s people and programs on the earth.
5. Please pray for Alimo, one of our daughters fighting with breast cancer. May the Lord fight for her.

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

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STAY SAFE!

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