

2021 FEBRUARY UPDATES FROM MINISTRY OF MERCY, NIGERIA Inc.



We bring you February greetings from everyone at Ministry of Mercy, Nigeria. We trust God that you are being kept by the Mercies of God which are new every morning. Thank God for the Mercy of today's morning and those of days to come. His Name alone be praised.

We bring you the February edition of our 2021 monthly updates from all the three arms of our mission (MoM Orphanages, MoM Christian Academy and MoM Medical Center). God has been faithful, and we are thankful for it. Below are some of our stories for the month.

MINISTRY OF MERCY ORPHANAGES



- **New arrivals:**

The MoM Orphanages – Otutulu village and Lokoja have received more orphans and vulnerable children. We had 6 new arrivals in the month of February.

- i. MoM orphanage Otutulu received a newborn baby Hajiya Husseini on February 9, 2021. The baby was brought to the orphanage for her care and upkeep following the death of her mother during delivery on February 8, 2021.



The baby girl who is from an Igala family hails from Edede, Dekina LGA, Kogi State. The family and the Orphanage agreed for her to be reunited with her biological family eighteen years to come. Please, pray that her Muslim family may come to see the light of the gospel.

- ii. On February 13, 2021, baby Umu-Hikma Abdulmalik was brought to MoM orphanage Otutulu following the death of her mother on January 29, 2020 as a result



of complications from childbirth. Umu-Hikma who is an Igala by tribe hails from Agojeju Ajocheji, Dekina L.G.A, Kogi State. The baby will be reunited with her biological family after two

years.

Please, pray that her Muslim family will come to know the Lord Jesus Christ.

- iii. On the 19th of February 2021, baby Oyiza Bello, a child of a mentally derailed mother was brought to Ministry of Mercy Orphanage, Lokoja by The Kogi State Ministry of Women affairs and Social Development for her care and upkeep till further notice.



- iv. On the 23rd of February, 2021, twin babies Jimba Jere Huleji (male) and Ashana



Zemehie Huleji (female) were brought to the Ministry of Mercy Orphanage Lokoja for their care and upkeep following the death of their mother as a result of complications from childbirth on February 20, 2021. The two lovelies are from a Muslim family in Akakana, Oguma, Bassa L.G.A, Kogi State.

It was agreed for the babies to be reunited with their biological families after a period of two years. Please, pray that the families may come to the knowledge of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ as we reach out to them in love.

- v. MoM orphanage Otutulu received yet another newborn on February 25, 2021.

Baby Gideon Joseph was brought to MoM Orphanage Otutulu for his care and upkeep after the death of his mother Mrs. Igbe John on February 24, 2021 as a result of



complications from childbirth. The boy who is an Igala by tribe hails from Patanyi, Omala LGA, Kogi State.

He will be reunited with his biological family after eighteen (18) years.

Our Chapel Building Reaches Advanced Stage.

Although we have not completed our chapel building, it now has a roof. We have begun to hold meetings in it while the remaining work continues.





MINISTRY OF MERCY FARMS

a. Poultry

- i. **Layers:** egg production has dropped to an average of 6 crates per day. Since the birds are almost done laying, we have started using them along with some broilers as meat for our children in Otutulu and Lokoja.



- ii. Our five-week-old set of 300 pullets are fast growing and we can't wait to start picking eggs from them.

We would never be able to thank God enough for always ensuring that our needs are provided for at the right time.



b. The Tractor Project.

God, through human channel has graciously provided us with the complete money needed to buy our tractor! The equipment has been duly ordered for. It is to be shipped into Nigeria from Pakistan. Our dream to purchase an MF-375 agricultural tractor with various farming accessories is at the verge of palpability. As for the payment process, our bank has secured the money in a special account where neither we nor the supplier can access it for a period of 90 days based on a legal agreement. This service is captured in a document called "bank guaranty" which on the one hand assures the supplier that funds will be available to pay him when the tractor arrives, and on the other hand assures us that the equipment will be delivered in good condition and in line with our terms before payment is made by the bank. However, we are experiencing some delay in the shipping procedures due to covid-19 protocols at the seaport in Pakistan.



Everything has been slowed down because fewer than usual number of people are allowed to go to work over there. Our tractor is still at the seaport yet to be loaded unto the ship. Once this step is crossed, it takes 2 weeks on the average to get over to the Nigerian shores. We are praying that God will hasten the process.



MF375

75 HP



PERFORMANCE

Maximum engine power at 2,200 rpm	75 (B.S) hp
Maximum torque at 1,400 rpm	290 Nm
Maximum PTO power at rated engine speed	69.5 hp**
PTO power at 540 rpm	63.0 hp
*Certified to BU AU 141a : (1971)	
** Manufacturer's estimate	

ENGINE

Type	Diesel / 4.248
No. Of Cylinders	4
Injection	Direct
Bore	101 mm
Stroke	127 mm
Capacity	4.07 l
Compression ratio	16 : 1
Aspiration	Natural
Starting Aid	Thermostat
Throttle control	Hand and foot
Cooling	Water
Air Cleaner Type	Oil bath
Air Pre-Cleaner	Over Bonnet
Fuel filter	Dual, high capacity
Exhaust	Vertical muffler under bonnet

ELECTRICS

Voltage	12 V, Negative Earth
Battery	110 Ah
Starter	2.8 kW
Alternator	45 Amp

CLUTCH

Type	Dual clutch
Diameter	305 x 254 mm
Lining Material	Cerametallic

TRANSMISSION

Type	Sliding Spur
Number of gears	8 forward, 2 reverse
Road speed at 2,200 engine rpm with 16.9 / 14 - 30 rear tyres	
Gear	Speed (kph)
Forward 1 (first low)	2.3
Forward 2	3.4
Forward 3	4.7
Forward 4	6.3
Forward 5 (first high)	9.3
Forward 6	13.6
Forward 7	18.6
Forward 8	25.0
Reverse 1 (low)	3.2
Reverse 2 (high)	12.7

POWER TAKE OFF

Type	Live
Engine speed at 540 PTO rpm	1,789 rpm
Shaft diameter	35 mm
no. Of splines	6

HYDRAULICS

Functions	Draft control, Position control, Response control, Constant pumping
Pump Type	Reciprocating Ferguson Pump
Maximum Oil Flow	16.7 l / min
Maximum Pressure	21.2 Mpa at normal operating temperature
Max. Lift capacity with lower links horizontal	2,145 kg
Lower Links	With cat. I & II interchangeable balls

FRONT AXLE

Type	Heavy duty Box Section, Adjustable
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STEERING

Type	Hydrostatic
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REAR AXLE AND BRAKES

Rear Axle	Straddle with epicyclic reduction unit
Brake Type	oil immersed, multi-disc
Brake pedal	Pendant
Braking Area	1,774 sq. cm.
Brakes Actuation	Hydraulic
Parking Brake	Hand Lever operated

INSTRUMENTATION

Gauges	Technometer, Hourmeter, Fuel level, Battery condition & Water temperature
Warning lights	Direction indicators, Battery charge, Headlight main beam, Low engine oil pressure & Brake lights, Auxiliary socket

TYRES

Front	7.50 - 16 (6PR)
Rear	16.9 / 14 - 30 (6PR)

TRACK ADJUSTMENT

Front	1,271 - 1,881 mm
Rear	1,423 - 2,134 mm

WEIGHTS AND DIMENSIONS

Weight

Gross Weight	2,355 kg
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Dimensions

Wheel base	2,170 mm
Overall Length	3,760 mm
Overall width (min)	1,970 mm

Height

Over exhaust	2,485 mm
Over steering wheel	1,730 mm

Turning circle

with brakes	7,260 mm
Without brakes	8,095 mm

Ground clearance

Under gear box	465 mm
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CAPACITIES

Fuel tank	108.0 l
Engine pump	7.5 l
Cooling system	15.2 l
Hydraulic system	36.0 l
Hydrostatic steering reservoir	2.0 l
Oil bath air-cleaner	0.7 l
Brake oil	0.25 l

STANDARD EQUIPMENT

Weight frame without weights, standard tool box with set of tools, Top link, Top link end cat-i, Cat-I & II balls, Check chains, Stabiliser chains, Spring suspension seat, Flat top fenders & operator's Manual

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

Front end weights, swinging drawbar, sun Canopy, pintle hook and 9 hole drawbar

MoM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



The use of School Bus in conveying students to school has really encouraged punctuality and regularity among our students.

The school Bus is always ready for boarding at about 7:00 am and takes off by 7:20am.



Mr. Icahdo Haruna who joined MoM Christian Academy in January as a Chemistry teacher discontinued his services on the 4th of February 2021.

He was made to officially handover all school properties and we bid him farewell afterwards.

Please, pray that we may find replacement for the vacuum he has created and many other vacant spaces.



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.

GENERAL HEALTH CARE:

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

Fatima operated for Ectopic pregnancy

Fatima ABUBAKAR, a 35 year old with 3 children from 3 previous pregnancies presented in her 4th pregnancy with severe abdominal pain, shortness of breath and fainting attacks. An Ultrasound examination was in keeping with a Left Ectopic pregnancy. She had a pint of blood and a successful surgical procedure. She did well and was discharged home after one week.



Burn injury healing rapidly

Aguma NDAKPO, a 9 year old boy from the MoM Orphanage, Lokoja had Left foot burn injury. Through careful and regular dressing, infection and pain has been controlled and wound is healing well.



A mass at the forehead operated

Adetayo AGABJE, a 46 year man had a frontal mass (lipoma) which he described as embarrassing. It was Excised and sent for histology. He is doing well.





Left Inguinal Hernia repaired

Simon NATHANIEL, a 23 year old student had a left Inguinal hernia which he said had been repaired twice previously. A close examination showed that it was never really repaired. He had it repaired at MoMMC and saw the difference. Quackery remains a challenge in medical practice.



Fibroadenoma removed

Mary DOMUZU, a 25 year was so worried as she feels there is a little mouse running within her left breast. Her suspicion was proven right as she was Ssssdiaognosed of a Left Fibroadenoma (breast Mouse). This was successfully removed.



Alimo goes for Radiotherapy

Alimo BALA, the 35 year old with advance Left breast cancer completed her causes of chemotherapy. Having put heads together, the surgeons considered the next line of treatment to be Radiotherapy. Therefore, She has moved to the National Hospital, Abuja. Our prayers are with her and we wish her all the very best.

Demise of Pastor Durojaiye

Amos DUROJAIYE, a 55 year old Pastor of Christ Apostolic Church (C.A.C) who lived alone. Was brought in unconscious. The condition improved the next day and he was able to communicate. He was being evaluated for advanced complications of Diabetes and Hypertension as he looked chronically ill. However, the clinical state subsequently deteriorated as he slipped into unconscious and eventually passed on 3rd day on admission.

General Healthcare Statistics

General

General out-patient department visits	221
Ward admissions	35
Surgical procedures	06
Total no. who received drugs	219
Total number of laboratory tests done	413
Number of transfusions	13

Preventive Primary Health Care:

Immunizations (within the hospital)	
Number of children immunized	60
Number of doses received	157
Number of women immunized (tetanus toxoid)	30
Number of doses	30
Contraception:	
Women received contraceptives	10

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**. 11 women had **child deliveries free of charge** within the month, 4 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.



Ramatu delivers via CS

Ramatu NUHU, a 35 year old in her 3rd pregnancy has 1 child alive as the other pregnancy ended in miscarriage. The previous baby was delivered via CS due to big size. This time, the baby was also envisaged to be big in addition to the previous scar. As a result, she had an elective CS. Baby and mother are doing



Surgery avoided for retained placenta

God's gift DANIEL, a 32 year old had a spontaneous vaginal delivery in a peripheral center but presented at MoMMC 10 hours later on account of retained placenta. An emergency laparotomy was being prepared for when she delivered the placenta by fundal pressure. It was a great relief for the new mother and her relatives who were exhausted from stress. Mother and baby did well and were discharged after a day of observation.

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

Statistics on Charity Services

Antenatal care statistics		
Week	New patients	Patients on follow-up
Week 1	14	08

Week 2	20	06
Week 3	29	08
Week 4	18	05
Total	81	27
Grand Total Number of Visits		108
Other Free Consultation (Children below 1 year, orphans and indigents) excluding pregnant women		33
Number of Deliveries		
C-Sections		04
Normal Deliveries		07
Total Births		11
Number Who Received Drugs for Free (Children below 1 year, orphans, pregnant women and indigents)		127
Number Who Had Laboratory Tests for Free		42
Total Number of Free Surgical Procedures		05

THE GOSPEL:

Our new chaplain at the orphanage, Pastor James Ogwuche is dutifully pursuing the task of meeting the spiritual needs of the orphanage community and of the individuals. Our patients at the MoM Medical Center are also beneficiaries. The various avenues which include morning devotions in the hospital and one-on-one sharing of the gospel with the patients are being explored. He, however, has observed that even though patients loved to be prayed for to get healed, they are not very open to the gospel of salvation. He is trusting God to touch their hearts.

The Bible says “Thy people shall be willing in the days of thy power...” Psalm 110:3. May God bring the willingness.

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 and Dr. Friday Odiba

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. Praise God for daily mercies and provisions for us at the orphanages.
2. We also appreciate HIM for still finding us worthy to have the privilege to care for the needy.
3. Thank God for every safe child birth and patient recovery at MoM Medical Center.
4. Thank God for providing us with all the fund we need to acquire a new tractor for our agricultural work. Please pray that God will hasten the shipping protocol for this equipment, to enable us put it to use as soon as possible.
5. Please pray for our new babies admitted into the orphanage, that God will provide all their needs, both physically and spiritually.
6. Please still remember Alimo in your prayers as she battles breast cancer at an advanced stage. She does not know the Lord Jesus Christ yet, please ask for a divine encounter with eternal life for her.
7. 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. Pray for the saved to be steadfast till the end.

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

Dr Odiba Friday,

Publicity Department

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 Services	Medical	Total in 2018 > 93,760 naira	>\$259.00
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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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