



SAINT JOHN OF GOD HOSPITAL SERVICES IN CAMEROON



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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends of St John of God,

Last month we appreciate all your contributions to identify with our St John of God health services in Cameroon. As always, we bring you update news on the St John of God health Services in Cameroon for the month of June 2017.

In this edition we will be bringing you news on:

- The visit of the archbishop of Bamenda archdiocese to St Sebastian Catholic Parish in Batibo..
- Outreach Coordination meeting held in Efah Village.
- Second quarterly performance statistics of our health services is presented for review.
- Inspection team from the Governor's office visit St John of God Catholic Hospital
- Dr Jean Jules Kamgne visits St John of God Health Centre in Yassa - Douala

Many more things are happening in our centres in Cameroon aimed at promoting health in our various centres. From the statistics one can read the performance of each centre. The greatest challenge is our limited infrastructure in Yassa and Boko. This will enable us to expand our services in that part of the country.

Hospitality is proactive. It has made us to move out of our structures through outreach activities. This has created more possibilities to welcome them back to our services. We believe that if clients to don't come to the facility go out and meet them. There are many potential clients but the lack of accommodation makes the management to slow down its promotional activities.

Bro. Linus Tangu
(Chief Executive)



PASTORAL VISIT TO ST SEBASTIAN PARISH IN BATIBO

The Christians of St Sebastian Parish in Batibo with their Parish Priest and Vicar Rev Fr Parfait Cho and Fr. Joseph Akem respectively were grace with the visit of Archbishop Cornelius Fontem ESUA on pastoral visit from the 9th – 12 June, 2017. This visit was exceptionally remarkable to Parishioners of St Sebastian Catholic Church because it is the first in its kind since a decade ago.

The St John of God brothers' community in Batibo was particularly blessed to host the Archbishop in their community during his stay. The Arch-

bishop had an encounter with the Brothers, celebrated holy Eucharist in the Brothers chapel, visited and prayed with Staff and patients at the hospital as per his pastoral plan.



Archbishop blesses patients in the hospital

ORTHOPAEDICS CONSULTATIONS IN YASSA

The MAB has finally come up with exchange visits between the doctors of various centres in Cameroon. It's for this reason that Dr Jean Jules Kamgne from St John of God Catholic Hospital in Batibo went to work in Yassa for one week. He was accompanied by Bro Jesus Gonzalez. During this time he did general consultations and performed some surgical interventions. The first day of his arrival met him with one pregnant woman with complicated delivery needing a surgical intervention. So Dr Jean performed an emergency caesarean section and both the child and the mother are doing well. Other surgical interventions carried out included orthopaedic and general surgeries. It was a very fruitful journey.

These visits will continue in July. Meanwhile according to the plan, in July Doctor Damas of Boko will spend one month in Batibo while Dr Ayongi of Batibo will spend one month in Boko. This will enable them to develop more skills in different situations.

HEALTH STATISTICS

The month of June ends with the presentation of the second quarter health performance activities for our centres in Batibo, Boko and Yassa respectively. This second quarter indicates that the centres are performing well within targets despite limited resources.

S/ N	DESCRIPTION	BOKO	YASSA	BATIBO	TOTAL
1	Number of Out Patient Visits	1708	115 6	976	3840
2	Number of Discharges	64	166	266	496
3	Number of Admission Cases	95	141	399	635
4	Number of Laboratory Investigations	3058	192 6	4350	9334
5	Number death	0	0	11	11
6	No: of Major Surgeries	0	5	66	71
7	No: of normal Deliveries	25	26	66	117
8	No: of Ultrasound / Scan Cases	59	72	135	266
10	No: of X-Ray Cases	0	0	129	129
11	Number of Beds (Hospital Beds)	11	14	85	110
12	Number of Staff	14	19	37	67
13	Anti Natal Clinic (ANC)	81	73	139	293
14	Physiotherapy	49	299	64	412
15	Vaccination	381	136	422	939
16	C/S	0	1	5	6

ORTHOPAEDIC REHABILITATION WORKSHOP

With the micro orthopaedic workshop in Batibo Bro Jesus Gonzalez is seen assisting the children on physiotherapy rehabilitation after surgical intervention. These children have undergone surgical

interventions in the hospital. Physical rehabilitation is the next strenuous phase where children are once again taught how to walk before they are given walking aids eg callipers.



DONATION

Mr Julius Diensi an anesthetist nurse donated some theatre materials to the hospital from his annual leave spend in Belgium. We thank you for kind gesture.



OUTREACH COORDINATION MEETING HELD IN EFAH VILLAGE

The five outreach health post belonging to St John of God Hospital in Batibo usually hold monthly coordination meeting with the Chief of Posts (COP) to plan. These meeting usually rotate between outreach centres. This time around it was held in Efah health post. These meetings also help the COPs to discuss on the progress of the centres and also to encourage one another.

INSPECTION TEAM FROM GOVERNOR OFFICE

A team from the governor's office visited St John of God Hospital in Batibo. The purpose of the visit is check on the hygiene and safety measures put in the place at the hospital to protect the staffs and clients. They left the hospital satisfied with the level of preparedness in the areas of hygiene and safety measures already in place.

HOSPITALITY MEANS BEING PROACTIVE

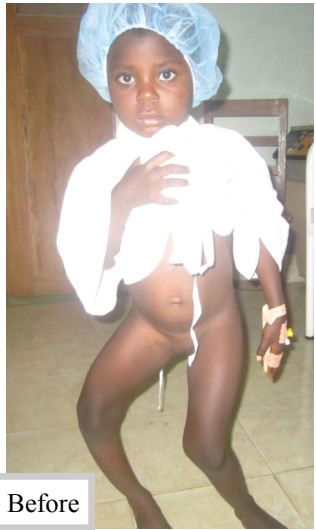
Hospitality which denotes the way of welcoming strangers into our centres is not static or dormant rather it is proactive. To succeed in hospitality in the manner of St John of God, we must to go out there and make it happen. Our outreach activities are practical forms of reaching out to others and making it happen right within their usual environments.

One cannot sit down and make it happen, if it doesn't happen in the structures, we must do something to make it happen. Todd Duncan in his book 'Wealth Strategies' maintains that unless we do something to back our greatest hopes, nothing much will change. Change comes from the heart and through expression, others see it happening.

Our pressing needs for St John of God outreach health post:

Solar energy for St John of God Health Post in Elum = 2,300 euros (the solar energy is an alternative source of power. It will be used to provide light to the clinic at night, store vaccines for immunization of children against polio, measles,
2 Medical diagnostic microscope (Olympia CH21) for Elum and Ashong = 1,384.62 euros (the microscope is used to detect microorganisms in the body for treatment

Successful Stories of Orthopedic Cases at St. John of God Batibo



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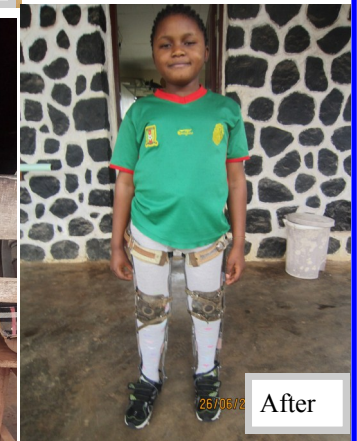


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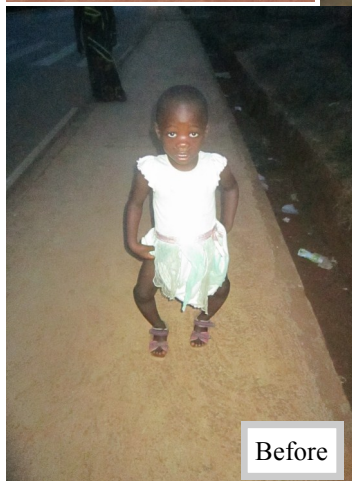


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