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Rich Ambler—A Special Thanks

Baptist Medical Centre has been through a challenging but successful past year. Much of the success can be credited to Dr. Ambler. Those who have worked with him know that he's humble and not too flashy—a steady presence who has unselfishly met the day-to-day needs of BMC. He and Dr. Etuh (who will be profiled in next newsletter) have been the only full time doctors at BMC over the past year. These are large shoes to fill! (They face large numbers of patients, perplexing illnesses, limited resources, long hours and nights, all in a remote location.) Dr. Ambler's reliable work and guidance to numerous short term medical volunteers and students has kept BMC functioning. His Christian spirit has been a blessing to those in need. A hearty thanks and job well done!



Dr. Rich Ambler and Medical Student Myrill Solaski using the new ultrasound unit to check a newborn.

Dr. Ambler completed his residency at the Asheville, N.C. Family Medicine Residency program last summer before making the leap to Ghana last September.

Nyhus Update

The Nyhus family featured in our last newsletter continue to serve as volunteer coordinators and much more. We encourage you to visit the Faile Foundation website—www.failefoundation.org—and click the President's Message link to read about the many God inspired things they are doing around and for Northern Ghana.

Ghana Bandage Project

We thank all who have donated bandages and envelopes through the Ghana Bandage Project at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Cartersville Georgia: www.tabernaclebaptist.org/ghanabandage. They want to relay that **they have enough envelopes for years**. Hallelujah! Please do not send more envelopes at this time as the warehouse space is full. We'll announce when more are needed.



As always if you are getting this newsletter you have had some interest or connection to Baptist Medical Centre. Please pray for the people of Northern Ghana and the work at BMC!

Faile Donors Meet Critical Needs

Over the past year the Faile Foundation has received the prayer support, financial donations, and volunteers to support Baptist Medical Centre in many ways. These include:

- 1) Funding for 10 student scholarships averaging \$1000 each and funding for two full time physicians and several short term Ghanaian physicians.
- 2) Partial funding for volunteer coordinators—see the Nyhus Update on the previous page.
- 3) Buying a new portable ultrasound machine. A special thanks to the Sonosite Company www.sonosite.com. Their matching grant program allowed us to purchase a \$35,000 unit for \$15,000.
- 4) New transfer switch for the diesel generator.
- 5) Three laptop computers.
- 6) Nutrition center funding at \$700 per month for two years provided by two generous donors.
- 7) Renovations for one of the physician staff houses.
- 8) Several pieces of equipment and numerous medicines.
- 9) Maintenance trip—thanks to Glenn Kling who donated time and energy to repair broken equipment and develop a long term maintenance plan for facility needs.
- 10) Two used vehicles for use by physician staff and volunteers on the BMC compound.

These expenditures were over \$125,000 during the past year. Thank you again donors. Being all volunteer, the Faile Foundation spends about 99% directly on hospital needs and less than 1% to run the Foundation.

And We're About To Spend More...

The Public Health unit of BMC has always provided important medical and spiritual outreach to 62 villages in the region. They are in the field spreading Christ's message and love. To do their job they need a vehicle, and the 10-year-old workhorse is worn out. We are working with Toyota Gibraltar www.toyota-gib.com to purchase a comparable vehicle at a cost of about \$40,000. We hope to complete this transaction within the next month.



Well worn vehicle!



A public health worker giving an immunization.

How You Can Help!

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