August October 2009

Beth, Sidney, David, (Paul working), Joey, Esther, Sarah, Priscilla > September We attended the Stephen Harvey Family Reunion in Andrews, SC, and visited family & friends in CT, PA, NY, and Quebec. Then we went on a Harvey Girl/SuperDad College Tour to NY, PA, IL, IN, OH, WV, NC, and VA. We attended Samaritan's Purse / World Medical

Mission's "Prescription for Renewal" Conference at The Cove (Billy Graham Training Center) in Ashville, NC, on the way. Claire passed her road test and became a NY State licensed driver the day before we left to return to Congo.



Violence erupts in the Equateur Province of Democratic Republic of Congo, 60 miles northeast and across the Oubangui River from Impfondo. What started as tribal clashes,

quickly transforms into a rebel movement, led by a witchdoctor named Odjani.

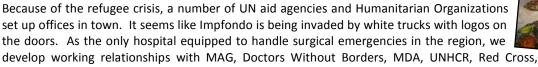
 $\leftarrow$  Eleven year old Grace got shot in the leg when trying to flee the fighting.

By the end of the year 150,000 more men, women, and children take refuge in the Likouala Region, living in makeshift campsites along the riverbanks. Impfondo's population doubles to 68,055.

November December 2009

Pioneer Christian Hospital receives two waves of wounded civilians, caught in the crossfire. As would have it, a team

HCJB Global Ecuador is on hand to help  $\rightarrow$ 



ECHO, UNICEF, IPHD, WFP, government ministries, and Embassies. A bunch of high level delegations, including government Ministers of Social Affairs, Humanitarian Action, Defense, Security, Health, etc. came to visit our patients.



# ← The Minister of Health visits PCH.

In the middle of all this activity, the Wegner family arrives for their first term of service as career medical missionaries. Stephen is a Pediatric and Emergency Medicine Room physician. His wife Anna and their 3 young children Ian, Isabelle, and Caleb are welcome additions to our team too.

With ongoing violence and rebel activity along the river, we begin to receive a

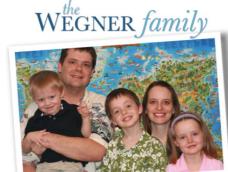
number of wounded combatants. Christmas Eve we operate on a record ten patients in one day, all war wounded. At one point, without realizing it, we admit wounded rebels to the same ward where some DRC government soldiers are recovering. Violent score-settling in the hospital is narrowly avoided, thanks to an informant, and God's grace. During our Christmas Service, the Holy Spirit brings about a revival among our patients and their families! Repentance, Reconciliation, Forgiveness, Awareness of God's Protection, and Rejoicing! How thrilling to see people who were trying to kill each other a few weeks before, worshipping and praising God together in the hospital chapel!

At our weekly missionary team meetings, we continue to review emergency procedures just in case things get worse. Talk about a tense time! We are grateful that Anne Stephens from the C&MA is able to come and lead our team in some debriefing. On New Years' Eve Joe sends Becky and the kids to Brazzaville so they can take a break (from his stress), and he can relax with a few less dependents on the list, in case of evacuation.

January **February** March 2010

By the time things calm down, our records indicate that we have treated 55 people with gunshot wounds, 10 with machete wounds, and none of them died! Even with God's obvious blessing and protection, we are overwhelmed by the rapid turnover of hospital and missionary staff, the constant flow of visitors, and a lot of other very sick patients (most get better miraculously, but some die, despite our best efforts). We are unable to keep up. Joe and Rachel Maurais (our outgoing hospital administrator) prepare annual meetings with the hospital employees. We are able to raise the pay scale for the second time in 4 years ©. Joe travels to Kenya for the Christian Medical & Dental





Associations' Continuing Medical Education Conference. Joe's last uncle, Walter Barth dies, and we miss another family funeral 3. The Phillips Family who served as hosts at GOM's Bravo Ministry Center and Guest House in Brazzaville, leave for an indefinite furlough. Olivia & Claire visit friends at Rain Forest International School in Cameroon.

April May June 2010

The Marsh family arrives after 8 years of deputation! For the first time in the history of Pioneer Christian Hospital, we have 3 doctors, a pharmacist, an administrator, a chaplain, a physician's assistant, a qualified lab technician, a mechanic, skilled interpreters, a construction supervisor, and 5 missionary nurses, all at the same time. This enables us to make great strides forward in patient care and organization. Unfortunately, our time with a complete



team ends way too soon, as vacations, support shortfalls, higher education, and furloughs pull people in different directions, and short-termers return home. Becky & Olivia, then Joe & Noah, travel July to the US as Olivia starts her freshman August



September year at Cedarville University in Ohio > 2010 Claire & Isabelle stay home in Impfondo and improve their cooking and baking skills. Joe's Aunt Susan Harvey (father's sister) dies

in Maine, just after we return to Congo. We cry. We miss Olivia. God puts our tears in a bottle.

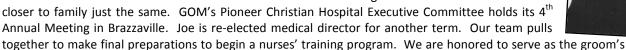


MARSH family

← Claire & Joe travel to Switzerland for GOM's Bi-Annual European Conference and visit missionary friends on the way--an early senior trip for Claire, now in her junior year of high school.

October Becky's Mom dies November 10. After 5+ years since November Dad Jones' death, we have the blessed assurance that December Delbert & Waneta Jones are together again! 🗲

2010 We can't make it to the funeral in time, but are comforted in our grief and thankful to be drawn



witnesses for our friends' wedding in Pointe Noire, which turned out to be a celebration of biblical proportions! We enjoy yet another Happy Thanksgiving,  $\checkmark$  Merry Christmas & Harvey New Year in Impfondo.



# **HELP WANTED**

We have an ongoing critical need for the following personnel:

- Administrator / Logistics / Business Agent
- Surgeon
- Nurses (LPN, RN, RNP, &/or CRNA)
- Physician's Assistant & Midwives
- † Mechanic/Maintenance Director
- Pilot/Mechanic (& airplane)
- † Radio Station Manager/Broadcast Engineer
- **Teachers & Teachers' Helpers**
- **Executive Secretary**

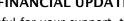
Thank you for giving to the LORD!

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

While we Harveys remain fully supported, and extremely grateful for your support, the hospital project and some of our team members are in need of additional monthly support: † The Marsh Family (assistant nursing supervisor) lacks \$1,110/month.

- † Melanie Madinga (hospital bookkeeper) lacks \$50/month.
- † Suzy Lardner (pharmacist & administrative assistant) lacks \$195/month.

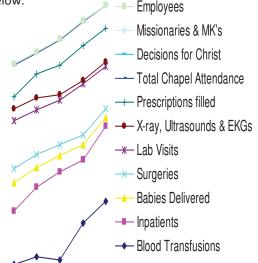
If you would like to help, please contact Global Outreach Mission.



#### PIONEER CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL UPDATE

By God's grace and through your prayers, Pioneer Christian Hospital has seen rapid growth and improvement over the past couple of years. The impact of this ministry continues to grow as illustrated by the statistics below:

	<u>2006</u>	2007	2008	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Outpatients	6,196	3,070	3,552	5,629	9,445
Inpatients	193	399	624	760	1,904
Babies Delivered	277	313	361	441	505
Surgeries	223	291	331	379	709
Lab Visits	1,796	2,206	2,865	4,592	6,310
Blood Transfusions	69	85	78	194	338
X-ray, Ultrasounds & EKGs	853	1,171	643	569	1,172
Prescriptions filled	1,184	3,680	5,317	9,533	14,488
Total Chapel Attendance	5,659	5,548	8,877	13,698	19,814
Decisions for Christ	180	365	623	659	558
Missionaries & MK's	12	17	21	27	27
Employees	23	30	39	53	56
Local Receipts	\$ 56,351.	\$ 112,702.	\$ 97,648.	\$ 188,592.	\$ 278,746.
Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 73,050.</u>	\$ 136,598.	\$ 119,855 <u>.</u>	\$ 190,263.	<u>\$ 272,547.</u>
Net Local Cost	\$ 16,699.	\$ 23,897.	\$ 22,207.	\$ 1,671.	\$ 6,199.
Average Net Cost/Patient	\$ 3.99	\$ 4.21	\$ 4.89	\$0.24	( \$0.52)



#### VISITOR HONOR ROLL

There's no way any of this would happen without the help of many folks like you who volunteered their time & energy to come serve @ Pioneer Christian Hospital. Here are some of the short-term missionaries, medical & nursing students, visitors, and volunteers who have come to help in the past few years:

- \*‡Rev. Dr. Brian Albrecht, President, Global Outreach, Buffalo, NY
- Dr. Brantly Baynes, Pediatrician, Honolulu, HI
   Amelia Beatty, US Embassy Brazzaville, Bismark, ND
   Michael Bliss, Pre-Med Student, Liberty University, VA
   Alain Bouillon, Construction Team, Loudonville, NY
- \* Kristina Brayman, Asst. Country Director, IPHD, Brazzaville, Congo
- \*†Steve & Peggy Briggs, Mechanic, RN, Colby, WI Mike Buell, Electrician, Okeana, OH Devan Butterworth, Nursing Student, Liberty University, VA
- \* Dr. Warren Cooper, General Surgery, Denver, CO
- † Melissa Cossette, Registered Nurse, Montreal, QC John Cunningham, Security, Chattanooga, TN Tamara Dietrich, Medical Student, Germany Jeff Dugrenier, Construction Team, Loudonville, NY Tom Faulkner, Construction Team, Loudonville, NY Manuel Gonzales, Photojournalist, Madrid, Spain
- † Candace Gullung, Registered Nurse , Hattiesburg, MS
  Dr. Scott, Conner & Luke Hankinson, Obstetrics/Gynecology & sons, Davidsonville, MD
  Ken Harting, Construction Team, Loudonville, NY
  Megan Hartig, Nursing Student, Liberty University, VA
- † Jane Doe, Physician's Assistant, Albany, GA
- \* Rev. Gary & Sharon Howell, Youth Pastor, C&MA missionaries, Brazzaville, Congo Jeremie Huguenin, University Student, Geneva, Switzerland Sylvette Huguenin, Salvation Army Major, Geneva, Switzerland
- \* Leticia Julian, MK (Missionary Kid), Brazzaville, Congo
- ‡ Rev. Dr. Stan Key, Senior Pastor, Loudonville, NY
- \*‡Rev. Charles Koumba, Architect, Brazzaville, Congo
- \*†Susan Lardner, Pharmacist, Loudonville, NY
- † Monique Le Grange, Administrator, Chambly, QC
- \*‡Dr. & Mrs. John & Judy Look, Director Global Health Services, Minneapolis, MN
- \*†Rachel Maurais, Administrator, Magog, QC

  Amanda McConnell, Nursing Student, Liberty University, VA
- \* Christopher McHone, US Consular Officer, Brazzaville, Congo
- † Wes & Mindy McKnight, Construction & Med. Student, Woodburn, IN i
- i\* Erin McNamara, Ultrasound Tech, Smithtown, NY

- Rachel Mills, Assoc. Professor of Nursing, Liberty University
- \* Dr. Bill Mix, Family Practice, North East, PA
- \*†Noé Mobando, Medical Student, Kinshasa, DR Congo Dr. Raveendra Morchi, Emergency Medicine, Corona del Mar, CA Christy Neufeld, Paramedic, Alberta, Canada
- \* Rev. Paul Ohlin, Pioneer Missionary, Union Mills, NC Lydia Okumura, Professor of Music, Boston College, MA Julie Ann Palmer, Pre-Med Student, Erie, PA
- † Dr. Juan Carlos Panchi, Family Practice, Quito, Ecuador
- \* Chantal Phillips, MK, Switzerland Ardelle Pierce, Registered Nurse, Alberta, Canada Rich Pombo, Construction Team, Loudonville, NY Dr. Jeff Ponke, Family Practice, N. Hamilton, ON
- † Art, Danielle & Micheal Ralston, Maintenance, Communications, Piffard, NY Amy Riedy, Bible School Graduate, San Anselmo, CA
- \* Larry & Cami Robbins, SIL Central Africa Group, Bangui, CAR
- \*‡Erich Rupprecht, Special Projects, Charlotte, NC
  Amy Sahlmann, Pre-Med Students, Penn State Erie
  Mr. Henri Samoutou, Eye Surgeon, Leeds, England
  Deborah Shaffer, Nursing Student, Liberty University, VA
- † Sarah Del Sizemore, Registered Nurse, Nicholasville, KY Dr. Stanley Sizemore, Family Practice, Nicholasville, KY Susannah Sizemore, Communications, Nicholasville, KY Rachel Beth Spencer, Nursing Student, Liberty University, VA Anne Stephens, C&MA Missionary, Brazzaville, Congo
- \*†Marion Thompson, RN/Pharmacy Tech, Dayton, OH
- † Sean & Candace Thompson, 4th year med student & O.T., Indianapolis, IN Dick Tyrell, Construction Team Leader, Loudonville, NY Miss Midhuna William, Medical Student, Albany, NY
- \*†Drs. Eckehart & Klaudia Wolf, Surgeon & Family Therapist, Shell, Ecuador
- † Jason Zimmermann, Pre-Med Intern, Wheaton, IL
- \* two or more visits
- † two months to two years
- ‡ Pioneer Christian Hospital Executive Committee Member

Thank you, again, for your interest and investment in God's work in Congo. We are grateful for God's abundant provision.

For Health & Hope,

Joseph & Rebecca Harvey Olivia, Claire, Isabelle, & Noah

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