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### Harvey Holiday Highlights The 12<sup>th</sup> Day of Christmas January 6, 2012

Dear Friends & Family,

Greetings from Impfondo, Republic of Congo! We are glad to take this time to share some highlights from our lives, thank God for the great things He has done, and thank you for your prayers and financial support. Here's an update on each of us Congo Harveys:

**Rebecca Sue** serves as Field Treasurer and Housing Coordinator for Global Outreach Mission in Congo. Becky is the only tenured and tethered teacher at Harvey Christian Academy (not only can she not be fired, she can't even quit!). She has maintained her nursing certification, and helps Joe with patients who arrive at the house instead of the hospital. She is doing better now after having a miscarriage and emergency surgery in early December. Becky's e-mail address is <u>HCAcademy@frontiernet.net</u>.



Unloading our new tractor from a river boat – June 30



Joe, Isabelle & Olivia arrive at Brazzaville's new airport on opening day – May 31, 2011!



Claire & her PT mentor Kyria Joss – Sept. 2011

Joseph Mapes continues to serve as Medical Director of Pioneer Christian Hospital in Impfondo, Republic of Congo, and Congo Field Director for Global Outreach Mission. Joe celebrated Thanksgiving in Tripoli, Libya, while on a 2-week postconflict hospital assessment trip with Operation Mercy (<u>www.mercy.se</u>), a Swedishbased non-governmental organization that does humanitarian work in Arabic countries. His e-mail address remains <u>JHarvey@UUPlus.com</u>.

Olivia Grace is now a sophomore Comprehensive Communications major at Cedarville University in Ohio, AND a registered Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-B) on Cedarville's fire/rescue squad. Before coming home to Congo for the summer, she served as a bridesmaid in her friend Katy Case Hollands' wedding. Her email address is:

#### CongoGirl@frontiernet.net.

Claire Elise is a senior at Harvey Christian Academy. She has been accepted to her first choice for college: Cedarville University! Claire enjoys teaching a weekly art class to homeschool students in Impfondo, and doing physical and occupational therapy with patients twice a week. Claire can be reached at

### CrazyGirl2@frontiernet.net.

Isabelle Anna is a sophomore at Harvey Christian Academy, and enjoys her studies. She likes to play piano and the recorder, and is waiting for a chance to learn to play the flute. She



Daddy & Isabelle at Cedarville picking up Olivia from college – May 2011



Saying goodbye to the Fuka Family – August 2011

volunteers at the hospital offices, where she helps with invoices. Isabelle takes care of our donkeys and does hippotherapy. Her e-mail is <u>HarveyGirl@frontiernet.net</u>.

**Noah Allen** is in fifth grade. Besides Math, English, Art, and other subjects in school, Noah is learning to walk on his hands, climb walls, do flips, and other sweet skills. Noah says he wants to be a cook when he grows up. He is looking forward to being baptized around the time of his 11th birthday in February. Noah's e-mail is: NoahCool@frontiernet.net.

As a family, we are enjoying immensely our time together over the holidays. We are especially happy that Olivia and Grandma (Marlaine Harvey) are here with us now. Olivia returns to Cedarville January 8. Mom Harvey returns to South Carolina February 4. Joe & Becky are looking forward to traveling to Kenya in February for the Christian Medical Association's bi-annual Continuing Medical Education Conference, and hosting the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Global Outreach Mission's Pioneer Christian Hospital Executive Committee in Impfondo in May 2012.

**Our next furlough is scheduled for June 2012 – June 2013.** It's been over 5 years since we've seen many of our supporting churches and prayer partners. After Global Outreach Mission's North American Conference June 24-28, 2012, some time off, family reunions, and helping the kids settle into school/college, we hope to see as many of you as possible while on tour September 2012 – March 2013. If you would like us to speak to your church or group, or visit you at your home, please contact us @ <u>CongoHarveys@frontiernet.net</u>. We would love to share with you in person from what we've seen God do in Congo during the past 5 years, and challenge you to seek God first in your life too!

# So what's happening at Pioneer Christian Hospital?

Last winter two teams of engineers came to Congo to help us repair electrical problems, install lightning protection, and restore the satellite internet connection that had been down for 6 months. In order to provide reliable electricity for the next 15-20 years as Pioneer Christian Hospital continues to grow, both teams agreed that we need to replace the entire electrical generation and distribution system. So that is what we are working on now. The **Power for PCH** plan calls for doubling the size of our solar system; building a new generator house; installing two new diesel generators with automated control and distribution panels; and laying new cables to all the building groups. The price tag? \$120,000. What a bargain! Try rewiring your regional hospital with hybrid green energy for that price!

As if to underline the importance of the Power for PCH, our main generator threw some rods in October, and our backup generator caught on fire when a circuit breaker malfunctioned. A large portion of the funds have already been given, including a grant from the US Embassy to Congo of \$25,000 for solar panels. We are trusting God to provide the rest so that this important project can be completed before we leave on furlough the end of June 2012. Seems an impossible

task to do in such a short time, but we don't want to leave for furlough without the hospital having a stable power supply. In addition to the necessary funds, we are trusting God to provide the right people to coordinate four key phases of this project:

- 1. Purchase of supplies and equipment, and assembly of the control panels in the US.
- 2. Construction of the new power house.
- 3. Getting the shipment from the US to the hospital site.
- 4. Installation of the new system once the shipment arrives.

# What are some of the most memorable patients we've had this year?

Marie-Jose had burns on 80% of her body when the river boat barge she was traveling on exploded and fuel stored in the hold caught on fire. Thankfully Kyria Joss was here at the time (a physical therapist from Belgium & France), and helped Marie-Jose make a complete recovery.

Jean Richard went to the outhouse one dark night just before Christmas. He smelled something

strange, and lit a match to see what it was. The outhouse exploded, sending him flying into the air like a low budget movie stuntman, leaving him with burns on 40% of his body in some very sensitive areas. Co-workers came and tried to take Jean Richard from the operating room AMA to go see a witchdoctor to find out who caused this tragedy. Thank God, Jean Richard decided to stay and accept our prayers and treatment for his healing, and recovered quickly.

Baby Clementine (pictured above with a visiting dignitary) was born way too early, but thanks to our plywood & Plexiglas, lightbulb heated incubator, supplemental oxygen, and tube feedings, she survived and was discharged once she reached 4½ pounds. When she came back to the hospital for a check-up a couple of months later, she looked so healthy, I didn't even recognize her.

# What's our greatest need?

Pioneer Christian Hospital has become a fruitful field with thousands of patients receiving care they would likely not receive elsewhere, and hundreds of people coming to Christ every year. The harvest is great, but the laborers are few. We have a critical need for the following full-term personnel:

- **†** Administrator/Accountant
- **†** Administrative Assistant
- + Logistics/Business Agent +
- + Executive Secretary
- + Construction Coordinator
- **†** Mechanic/Maintenance
- † Pilot/Mechanic (& plane)
- + Electrician
  - + General Surgeon
    - **†** Physician Assistant
- **†** Nursing Instructors
- **† Nurses** (LPN,RN,RNP,CRNA)
- † Midwives
- + Pharmacist/Pharm. Assistant
- **†** Laboratory Technician



**†** Radio Station Manager

+ Teachers/Teacher's Helpers

We also have openings for 2 doctors, 2 medical students, 2 nursing students, and 2 general volunteers <u>every month</u>. If you have some skills, and a big heart, and wonder if God might be calling you to Congo, please contact <u>PCHMedicalDirector@gmail.com</u> for more information.



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	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Outpatients	6,196	3,070	3,552	5,629	9,445	8,958
Inpatients	193	399	624	760	1,904	2,614
Babies Delivered	277	313	361	441	505	636
Surgeries	223	291	331	379	709	689
Lab Visits	1,796	2,206	2,865	4,592	6,310	5,918
Blood Transfusions	69	85	78	194	338	429
X-ray, Ultrasounds & EKGs	853	1,171	643	569	1,172	734
Total Chapel Attendance	5,659	5,548	8,877	13,698	19,814	17,221
Decisions for Christ	180	365	623	659	558	413
Missionaries & MK's	12	17	21	27	27	23
Employees	23	30	39	53	56	72
Local Receipts	\$ 56,351.	\$ 112,702.	\$   97,648.	\$ 188,592.	\$ 278,746.	\$230,231.
Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 73,050.</u>	<u>\$ 136,598.</u>	<u>\$ 119,855.</u>	<u>\$ 190,263.</u>	<u>\$ 272,547.</u>	<u>\$237,091.</u>
Net Local Cost	\$ 16,699.	\$ 23,897.	\$ 22,207.	\$ 1,671.	\$ 6,199.	\$ 6,862.
Average Net Cost/Patient	\$ 3.99	\$ 4.21	\$ 4.89	\$0.24	( \$0.52)	\$1.59

# Pioneer Christian Hospital Statistics

# Nurses' Training Program

In July, three students completed Pioneer Christian Hospital's practical nurses' training program, and one student completed training as a lab tech. We were hoping for more like 20 graduates, but qualified candidates are hard to find. Please pray with us that the government will honor its commitment to grant us official status as a recognized allied health school so we can actively recruit the best students from all over our region.

# How are the rest of our team members doing?

**Sarah Speer** continues to serve as Assistant Field Director and member of Pioneer Christian Hospital's Managing Committee. She also has been working hard overseeing the construction of <u>*Kimia*</u>, a new residential & treatment center for people suffering the effects of Hansen's Disease. We are sad to report that Sarah Speer's mother died February 25, 2011, and that Sarah is in Canada again now for her sister-in-law Colleen Speer's funeral.

**Siko & Delphine Bambemba.** Siko serves as Lab Director, Assistant Chaplain, and Managing Committee Member. Delphine serves as our Assistant Nursing Supervisor, and Director of Nurses' Training. As God provides, the Bambembas hope to go on a six-month furlough to visit family and friends this year. After serving faithfully on the field for 6 years, they are ready for a well-deserved break.



Marlaine Harvey & Susan Lardner

**Melanie Madinga** was promoted to Hospital Administrator in February after serving as Comptroller for the hospital since 2006. She has had a number of health concerns this year, and needs prayer and support.

**The Fuka Family** has returned to their home in Democratic Republic of Congo in August after living abroad for 7 years. We hope God leads Dr. Fuka to return to resume serving as Director of Surgery in autumn 2012. The Fukas' oldest son Laurent has enrolled in medical school in Kisangani.

**The Wegner Family** has now been in Congo 2 years. Dr. Stephen serves as Director of Pediatrics and Emergency/Consultation, Assistant Medical Director, and member of the Managing Committee. Anna is hospitality coordinator at the hospital site, and schools Ian (11), Isabelle (8) and Caleb (5) at home.

**The Marsh Family** is doing well, in spite of many trials and tribulations. David now serves as Nursing Supervisor in addition to directing the Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment Program. Brenda schools Tabitha (12) at home, and has been the primary caregiver for a foster infant in their home the past 4 months.

**Susan Lardner** serves as Pharmacy Director and Administrative Assistant. She plans to leave Congo in May, with no definite date of return. Please pray for God's leading in her life.

**Dr. Laura Foudy** serves with Samaritan's Purse Post-Residency Program as Director of Maternity and Family Practice Physician. She is looking forward to a trip in March to see her nieces and nephews (and other family) in March, and to continue work on her MPH diploma, before returning to complete her 2-year commitment here.

**The Samoutou Family** is busy getting ready to move to Impfondo, Congo, from Leeds, England in March. Henri (eye surgeon) and Dr. Joyce (family practice) are Founding Directors of New Sight Eye Care, a charity pioneering eye surgery in Republic of Congo in partnership with Global Outreach Mission. They have 3 adorable children: Cherissa (6), Ezra (3), and Karis Faith (1). See more at: <a href="http://www.newsightcongo.com">www.newsightcongo.com</a> | Facebook: New Sight Congo | Twitter: @newsightcongo



Joe in Yefren, Nefusa Mountain District, Libya



Olivia shows the firemen how it's done

# Pioneer Christian Hospital Honor Roll

Many thanks to the following folks who volunteered their time & energy to come serve @ Pioneer Christian Hospital in 2011:

Dr. Karen Andrews, Med/Peds, Memphis, TN

- Jeffrey & Jacqueline Benedict, Engineer & Teacher, Elkhart, IN \* Dr. Warren Cooper, General Surgery, Denver, CO
- Mrs. Jacqueline Cunningham, Teacher, Fort Oglethope, GA
- Rev. Douglas Dry, Madison, CT \*†Rob Eisbrenner, Custom Welder & Mechanic, Anola, MB, CANADA
- The Essignment, eastern werder & Meenanie, Allola, MB, CANADA
   Dr. Laura Foudy, FP, Samaritan's Purse Post-Residency Fellow, South Bend, IN
- Dr. Fred & Zoe Frank, OB/GYN & Student, Portland, OR
- Frank "Chip" Frey, Electrician, Haddam, CT
- Dr. Domain & Patience, Laurent, Perpetue, Kelly & Benjamin Fuka, General Surgery, Kisangani, Democractic Republic of Congo
- \*†John Gay, Builder, N. Chili, NY
- Jonathan Grous, Electrical Technician, Vernon, CT
- Dr. Christine Groves, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Charlotte, NC
- \*†Olivia Harvey, EMT, Cedarville, OH
- \* Rev. Gary & Sharon & Joshua Howell, Youth Pastor, C&MA missionaries, Brazzaville, Congo Dr. Charles & Kelly, Sarah & Abby Hyre, General Surgery, Teacher, Students, Winchester, VA \* two or more visits
- Dr. Gordon Jacobs, General Surgery, Charlotte, NC

- † Kyria Joss, Physiotherapist, Valence, FRANCE
- \* Leticia Julian, MK (Missionary Kid), Brazzaville, Congo Rev. Jim & Ellen, Alec & Brice Kirch, East Bethany, NY
- \*+Susan Lardner, Pharmacist, Loudonville, NY
- † Monique Le Grange, Administrator, Chambly, QC, Canada
- Ashley McArdle, Senior Nursing Student, Paauilo, HI \* Christopher McHone, US Consular Officer, Brazzaville, Congo
- Edward Meuhlfelt, HCJB/Global Engineer, Elkhart, IN \*†Noé Mobando, Medical Student, Kinshasa, DR Congo
- \* Rev. Paul Ohlin, Pioneer Missionary, Union Mills, NC
- \* Larry & Cami Robbins, SIL Central Africa Group, Bangui, CAR Alan Shea, HCJB/Global Engineer, Elkhart, IN
- \*†Jay & Faith van Achterberg, Electrical Engineer & Student, East Windsor, CT
- \*†Jean-Pierre & Ginny Vandevoorde, Chaplain & Construction Director, QC, Canada Rev. Paul & Doris Wegner, Pastor, Nurse, Dice, KY

\* two or more visits
† two months to two years

Thank you for your interest and investment in God's work in Congo. We are grateful for God's abundant provision. We hope you had a very Merry Christmas and have a Happy Harvey New Year!

For Health & Hope, Joseph & Rebecca Harvey Olivia, Claire, Isabelle, & Noah



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