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CHRIST PEOPLE HEALTH

PRAYER ITEMS.

- Thank God for the new hospital staffs and pray that they settle down well.
- Pray for housing situation as more staff members are joining the hospital.

Current DGMH management members

Ishmael Jonathan Nyirenda—
Acting MOIC

Mabvuto Peter Caleb Nyirenda—PHA

Anastasia Nyirenda—SAO

Mwenecharo Munyenembe –
HRMO

Wadana Mkandawire –PNO

Frank Nyirenda— Accountant

Rev. Shadreck Mpama Jere

Chrissy Kaunda—Acting PHC
Director

Innocent Kayula—Staff rep

DGMH IN VEHICLE MAINTENANCE PROJECT

In a bid to ease mobility, the hospital embarked on vehicle maintenance starting with a Toyota Land Cruiser nicknamed Bull-Bar which was grounded for a long time. Maintenance of this vehicle will ease mobility especially when going to out-reach clinics. The maintenance involved fixing mechanical, electrical and vehicle body. The vehicle has been spray painted which has given it a new look. Another vehicle that has been fixed is a Toyota Hilux Ambulance nicknamed Press Trust which was involved in an accident a while ago. DGMH Management is grateful to the partners for the financial support for this project.



Bull-Bar done with maintenance and ready her sisters (other vehicles) for service



ISHMAEL NYIRENDA TAKES OVER LEADERSHIP OF DGMH FROM DR LYN DOWDS

After Dr. Lyn Dowds had served DGMH for 8 years, she handed over the leadership to Ishmael Nyirenda. Ishmael Nyirenda has been entrusted with leadership position has an Acting Medical Officer In charge –AMOIC .

Dr. L. Dowds handing over DGMH Leadership to Ishmael Nyirenda

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Col. 3: 23-24

The people who attended the handover ceremony were; Mr Mwakana Msukwa -FAM (far right), Rev. W.W. Gama (second from right), Dr Lyn Dowds herself and Mr Ishmael Nyirenda in black jacket far left and Mr. Mabvuto Peter Caleb Nyirenda-PHA who is not in the picture below. It was with a heavy heart that Dr. L. Dowds left after serving Synod through DGMH for 8 years.



PRAYER ITEMS.

- Pray for Dr Lyn Dowds to continue having fruitful life after leaving DGMH.

Below, Dr. Lyn Dowds handing over leadership to Ishmael Nyirenda. The event was symbolized by handing over of the keys for the office of the MOIC.



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Praying that God
should grant them the
spirit of Commitment
to service, love for there
job and fellow staff and
Care for the patients/
clients

NEW STAFF AT DGMH

DGMH has received new staff members deployed by CHAM. They include but not limited to; Dr. Brighton Nkhata, Angela Mhango (Pharmacist), Wadana Mkandawire (PNO).

DR BRIGHTON NKHATA



He is a medical doctor who has just joined DGMH . His presence will increase the number of medical team members which DGMH has been struggling to have. This will help in improving delivery of health services to the community.

Dr. B Nkhata (Medical Officer)



Agnes Chipapa -Nursing Sister



Caroline Mangwiyo -NMT

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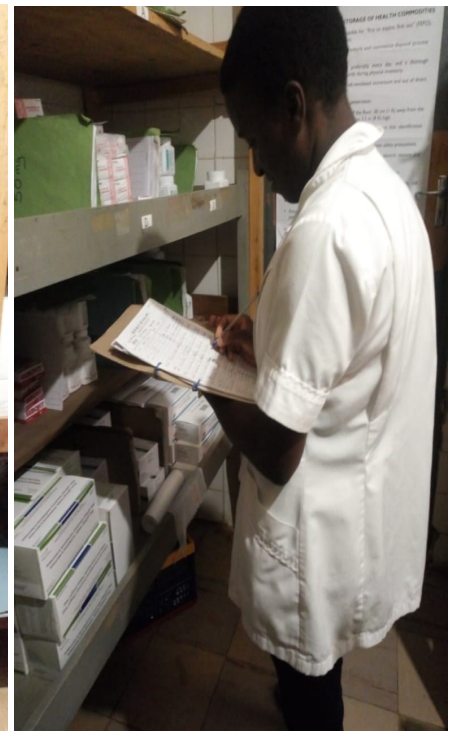
NEW STAFF AT DGMH from pg 3



Mr. Wadana Mkandawire—Principal Nursing Officer (PNO) -above



Angela Mhango—Pharmacist –above



Mlowe has also received 3 nurses, Luwuchi has received Medical assistant, Msumbe now has also 3 nurses. These nurses have been deployed by CHAM (Christian Health Association of Malawi).



Some of the new NMTs deployed to DGMH by CHAM



MOURNE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RENOVATES DGMH MALE WARD

DGMH male ward has been renovated as it has stayed for a long time without face lifting. Mourné arrived at DGMH on 15th September, 2019 and worked on the male ward for two weeks. They left DGMH on 28th September, 2019 after they had done a recommendable and great work for us and the community we serve. Beside renovating the male ward the Mourné team also extended the Isolation room.

BEFORE RENOVATION BELOW PICTURES



AFTER RENOVATION BELOW PICTURES



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(NIV)*

DENTAL TEAM VISITS DGMH

DGMH received a team of dentist (SMILEAWI) from Scotland. They arrived at DGMH on 27th September, 2019 and provided free services for the whole day. They also visited lakeshore clinics of Mlowe, Tcharo and Zunga where free services were also provided to the community. Msumbe 38, DGMH



EYE TEAM VISITS DGMH

The eye team (Doctors) visited DGMH on 24th September, 2019 and stayed up to 27th September, 2019. They are from Scotland. They offered free services to the community. And donated glasses (goggles) and covers to DGMH so that community can access them at a reasonable price. At DGMH about 227 clients from community were assisted. The activity was from 25th September, 2019 to 27th September, 2019.



Picture captured on the day
of departure

**DENTAL TEAM VISITS
DGMH**

Dentist team attended to 343 patients in different Clinics as follows; 144 Patients at DGMH , 77 Patients at Msumbe Health Centre, 73 Patients at Luwuchi Health Centre ,43 Patients at Mlowe Health Centre,40 Patients at Tchaloh Health Centre , 24 Patients at Zunga Health Centre and 86 Patients at Sangiilo(SDA)).

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**OPTIONS INTERNATIONAL/MSP THROUGH HCAC
DONATES TO MLOWE HEALTH CENTRE**

OI/MSP through Health Centre Advisory Committee (HCAC) donated medical supplies to Mlowe Health Centre among others were sterilized buckets, BP Machines, weighing scale, pails etc. These resources are to be used by the facility. All the donated items costed MK1,000,000.00 (One million Malawi kwacha)



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SPIRITUAL CARE FOR PATIENTS, COMMUNITY AND STAFF AT DGMH

As part of spiritual care for patients, staff and community, chaplaincy committee organized a Holy communion service on Sunday (September, 22) which was lead by Rev. Shadrach Mpama Jere .All patients, staff and community at large partake the service.

GENERAL HOSPITAL SERVICES

DGMH offers a number of services ranging from Out-Patient Department, nutrition, maternal and neonatal, orphanage, HIV/AIDS, TB among others.



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One of the child who gets nutrition support from DGMH



One of the HAS's (Watson Mkandawire) teaching under five mothers during nutrition feeding program at DGMH -PHC.

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SUMMARY OF CHALLENGES

Increase of staff puts pressure on accommodation. DGMH does not have adequate number of houses to accommodate all staff. As the demand of staff is critical for DGMH, the need for extra houses also increases. Below is the picture showing one of the houses renovated by livingtrees organization and being handed over by a Livingtrees official (in a red top) to DGMH. Among senior members who attended the function were; Mr Ishmael Nyirenda (Acting MOIC), Anastasia Nyirenda and Rev. Shadrach Mpama Jere and one of the Living trees representative member.



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Above is a picture of one of the houses renovated by The Livingtrees

Delay of Service Level Agreement (SLA) payments by the government has affected the operations of the hospital for provision of its services in the quarter under review. When government delay in paying the hospital in time, it means the hospital relies only on external partners and its few generated income for finances to run the facility including its all health centers.