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GOD'S INDESCRIBABLE GIFT

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The season of giving and receiving of gifts is here.

God's gift to all humankind is eternal life in Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, *"Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent."*

So many of you who *know*, have demonstrated that knowledge by giving your lives in service on our teams or as board members.

Many of you give money and things to supply the needs of others through our teams.

This demonstration of the family trait of generosity is no surprise, because you are intimately familiar with the lavish goodness of Jesus who became

poor to make us rich.

Your gifts are acts of worship, graciously given in gratitude for what He has done for us and making us like Himself.

I am humbled that the staff and I have the Levitical honor of stewardship over your gifts to God.

The EMAS Canada board works closely with us as "deacons" overseeing your service to God and His people. God's Inexpressible Gift is that He gives Himself to us through Jesus Christ to adopt us into His family as a people among whom God can be found with a bloodline that is divine.

Thank you for giving. Thank you for your trust.

Turn the page and read how God is expressing Himself and becoming

known through your gifts and your service.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM
EMAS CANADA!**

Dr. Peter Agwa
Executive Director.



Please donate to **OVERSEAS MINISTRY SUPPORT** from which the board can freely fund teams and projects that are active and in need of additional resources. It will also allow the board to consider any new projects that arise.

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HAITI UPDATE 2023

By The PST Gambade Team

The Gambade Medical Clinic is already into its seventh (7th) month of operations, serving the Community daily, with dedicated and dynamic staff members.

One of our most urgent need, our **“Adopt-a-Staff”** initiative, is under way and we are grateful for any and all donations towards supporting our on-going staffing fund.

The **“Star Fish”** Nutrition and Educational Program” is now operational one day a week.

Since June 2023, 5 staff members (physician, clinical nurse, triage nurse, lab technician, and health agent) have seen a total of 172 patients identified as moderately to severely malnourished. The official number of children in the **Star Fish Program** is now 54.

The parents are provided fortified peanut butter, fortified cereals (AK1000), water, sugar for appetite tests, and medicines free of charge. These parents are also educated on how to use these nutrients properly.

Needless to say, we are also in dire need of funds in order to maintain this essential program and service in order to afford the high costs of the nutrients provided to the patients. **Thank you for your support** and your contribution in helping us try to rescue malnourished children in Gambade.



MONGOLIA MISSION REFLECTION

By Vincent Wang

The **China West** team started the Mongolia mission on Sept 15, 2023. We served 3 rural cities in Mongolia: Erdenet, Murun and Chinggis Khan city.

Besides providing medical and dental services, Rev. Dr Harding Ng led a discipleship program for the local churches in all three cities. Our team members returned home on Oct 1, tremendously blessed with hope-filled testimonies.

God’s mission is never about how much we have done on the field; it is about how we have witnessed Him in action. The Mongolia mission trip was an opportunity for us to see His attributes.

God is a Great Provider. He provided us the official Mongolian permission letters to work in all the local hospitals. God equipped His team with a pastor, seminary student, interpreters, logistics coordinator, physicians, pharmacist, nurse, hygienist, and dentist.

God is a Loving Father to all. Initially, our medical itinerary did not include serving at the local churches. God changed our plan, and He sent our team to also provide medical and dental service to all the local churches we visited. God even brought the local prisoners to the church for the team to serve.

God is trustworthy. He promised to build a children’s shelter for the Erdenet church. In less than a year, the shelter was built. The children’s shelter is now taking care of local children who lack family support and face poverty and food insecurity.

God is generous. Murun church serves one of the country’s poorest demographics. The church uses propane tanks to stay warm inside and their only washroom is in a shack behind the church. Murun church mirrored Christ’s love in showing incredible generosity to His messengers from Canada. The church served us lunch and dinner with all they had and even more.

God is compassionate. The church in Chinggis Khan city has very limited resources, yet they offer all they have to love their neighbors. They created a shelter for men facing homelessness and alcoholism; they set up a bakery store for these men to learn bakery and earn an income; they remember the needs of the local prisoners.

God used His faithful servants in Mongolia to reveal His character to us. The local Christians inspired us with their faith, hope and love. At times when we stumbled, fell, or became sick during the trip, God never forsook us. He never abandoned us. His grace, provision, protection, and healing over us were renewed continuously day by day in Mongolia.

The harvest is plentiful in Mongolia, but the laborers are few. We pray for the Lord to send out more labourers into His harvest.





INAUGURAL ZIMBABWE RIDE FOR GUTU MISSION HOSPITAL OFF TO A GREAT START

By Melony Teague

Although this is the second year of the Ontario **Ride for Gutu Mission Hospital**, this year three of the cyclists took the event to Zimbabwe in collaboration with the Reformed Church of Zimbabwe, supported by Cycling Zimbabwe and road safety officials.

The 3 Canadian cyclists were joined by a cycling team from The Mimosa Mining Company and members of Gutu Mission Hospital and the community for a ride from Masvingo to Gutu Mission Hospital. The ride was over 100 km, and mostly uphill, through the beautiful rugged countryside.

The ride on October 20th aimed to raise awareness of the plight of mothers and babies at Gutu Mission Hospital and to raise funds for a much needed ambulance. Members of the rural community did what they could by donating grain or livestock to be sold towards the purchase of the ambulance.

Inter-team Collaboration

Gutu Mission Hospital had only one patient monitor attached to

the anesthesia machine in OR and was unable to monitor vital signs of women who needed critical care outside of the Operating Room.

The EMAS **China South** team offered their assistance and one of their nurses made the donation which included surgical instruments.

Photo below: Much rejoicing in the OR at Gutu Mission Hospital. Dr. Olenga, and Nurse Anesthetist Sydney testing the patient monitor on Dr. Peter Agwa.



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As this 75th year of service draws to a close we are exceedingly grateful for you and your support.

We are excited to see how God moves through you and through our teams going forward into the next 25 years.

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NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

This year, \$47,600 raised by the 2-day Ontario Ride for Gutu Mission Hospital 2023 in September also went to facilitating a 5-day **Obstetric Emergency and Neonatal care Training Conference** for Gutu District Staff, and to refurbish and equip a lecture room for continuing professional development.

On October 21st, the **Myanmar team** hosted a walk and ride for those in need in Myanmar and raised close to \$4,500. These events helped raise awareness and add friends and supporters to our causes.

If you would like to volunteer to serve with EMAS Canada there are several opportunities available. To volunteer, please connect with Peter Agwa:

peter@emascanada.org

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