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NEWSLETTER

CHRIST HOSPITAL MINISTRY

CARING FOR THE SICK, REBUILDING & TRANSFORMING LIVES

EDITORIAL

One may be forgiven for thinking our mandate in Christ Hospital Ministry has changed because of the activities we report from our chapters in several parts of the world. Well, strictly speaking, it has not. But, as a caring ministry, we have often found ourselves ministering to people's personal needs because as one may appreciate, caring for the soul is inextricably linked to caring for bodily needs. The Roman poet, Juvenal, around the end of the first century AD said, "You should pray for a healthy mind in a healthy body." So, there we have it, our mission in CHM is to strive to keep the unity of a healthy mind and body in a bond of peace - Ephesians 4:3 paraphrased. Caring for the sick demands a holistic approach and for us in CHM, that is an approach we take very seriously. "After everything is said and done, all we can do is care and pray, but our Lord heals".

WE ARE CURRENTLY ESTABLISHED IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES



UNITED KINGDOM



NIGERIA



GHANA



INDIA



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



ZAMBIA



SIERRA LEONE



SOUTH AFRICA

CHM ZAMBIA

On the 7th of March 2023, our Zambian chapter in collaboration with TTN (To The Nation) and their Australian partners, donated state-of-the-art electric beds to Ndola Teaching Hospital. This is in pursuance of their humble effort to supplement the healthcare sector within their community. Many of these facilities often taken for granted in developed countries are hard to come by in developing countries like Zambia. And so, any contribution by organizations like CHM and their partners goes a long way to alleviate the suffering of those in the community.



REVD MULENGA (IN GREY) MAKING THE PRESENTATION TO THE HOSPITAL

An 18-year-old boy in the Ndola district in Zambia, born with a disability that caused paralysis of his lower limbs and who also at 2 years of age developed a hump (curvature of his chest wall) was presented with a pair of crutches donated CHM in partnership with TTN. The boy who suffers from longstanding chest pain relies on medication from time to time to help ease his pain. Provision of the crutches not only helps to alleviate his suffering but also enables him to move around and maintain some form of independence as he relies mainly on his mother for support having previously lost his father.



THE 18-YEAR-OLD BOY WITH HIS NEW CRUTCHES.

CHM SIERRA LEONE

One of our 'new kids on the block', CHM Sierra Leone held its first major community-based activity, Community Health Day, on the 11th of March 2023 in the Aberdeen community which is located in the western part of Freetown, the capital city of Sierra Leone. It was a huge success and a very commendable effort by this fledgling chapter of our organization that was inaugurated less than a year ago on the 9th of October 2022. Their effort to organize this community health day started soon after their inauguration. The chairman, Ezekiel Sesay, and his team of enthusiastic volunteers left no stone unturned in their effort to ensure the success of the day. One hundred and forty-seven people attended the event that brought healthcare delivery to a community that does not have easy access to healthcare. This is the first in line of what is hoped to be a regular event that will continue to serve the community for many years to come.



MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ATTENDING THE HEALTH DAY



A LADY HAVING HER BLOOD PRESSURE TAKEN AT THE HEALTH DAY



SOME WOMEN WAITING TO BE EXAMINED



A CHM VOLUNTEER BEING SEEN BY THE HEALTH TEAM



A MAN HAVING HIS BLOOD SUGAR CHECKED



A PATIENT HAVING HIS BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKED



CHM SIERRA LEONE VOLUNTEERS AT THE COMMUNITY HEALTH DAY

CHM SOUTH AFRICA

One of our 'new kids on the block', CHM South Africa held its first major community-The inaugural training day of this chapter of CHM was held on the 11th of March 2023 at the Full Gospel Church of God, Johannesburg South. Our regular readers may recall that CHM South Africa was inaugurated last November and its first priority was to train its volunteers. Revd Chilekwa Mulenga, chairman of CHM Zambia who traveled down from Zambia, and Pastor Jack Chirwa from South Africa, effectively handled the training. Pastor Chirwa is the current chairman of CHM South Africa and the pastor of Full Gospel Church of God. The training day was attended by thirty-six participants and it is hoped that the training they received will equip them with the skills required to function as CHM volunteers.

Volunteer training in CHM is taken very seriously and is an integral part of working as a volunteer. It is a continual program set up to equip the volunteer with the required knowledge for social interaction and effective communication in their role.

PHOTO GALLERY



REVD MULENGA DELIVERING HIS TRAINING



PASTOR CHIRWA SPEAKING AT THE TRAINING



PARTICIPANTS AT THE TRAINING DAY



MORE PARTICIPANTS AT THE TRAINING DAY



VOLUNTEERS AT THE TRAINING DAY OF CHM SOUTH AFRICA

CHM INDIA 

CHM India medical camp took place on the 11th of April 2023 in the village ofThis comes on the heels of their annual conference held between the 23rd and 24th of February. On the recommendation made to our volunteers following their annual conference, one hundred recipients were presented with reading glasses. Now, this is something many of us in privileged parts of the world may take for granted but for the less privileged in these parts, it is Godsend. Kudos to our tireless colleagues in India for yielding themselves to God to be used this way. And glory be to God for His goodness and mercy that endure forever.



VILLAGERS GATHERING FOR THE MEDICAL CAMP



REVD SHIBA LIVINGSTON (IN WHITE) SPEAKING TO A RECIPIENT



REVD SHIBA WITH MADHU REEDY GARU - COMMUNITY LEADER (IN THE BACKGROUND)



AN ELDERLY LADY BEING FITTED WITH SPECTACLES



THE VILLAGERS GATHER FOR THE MEDICAL CAMP



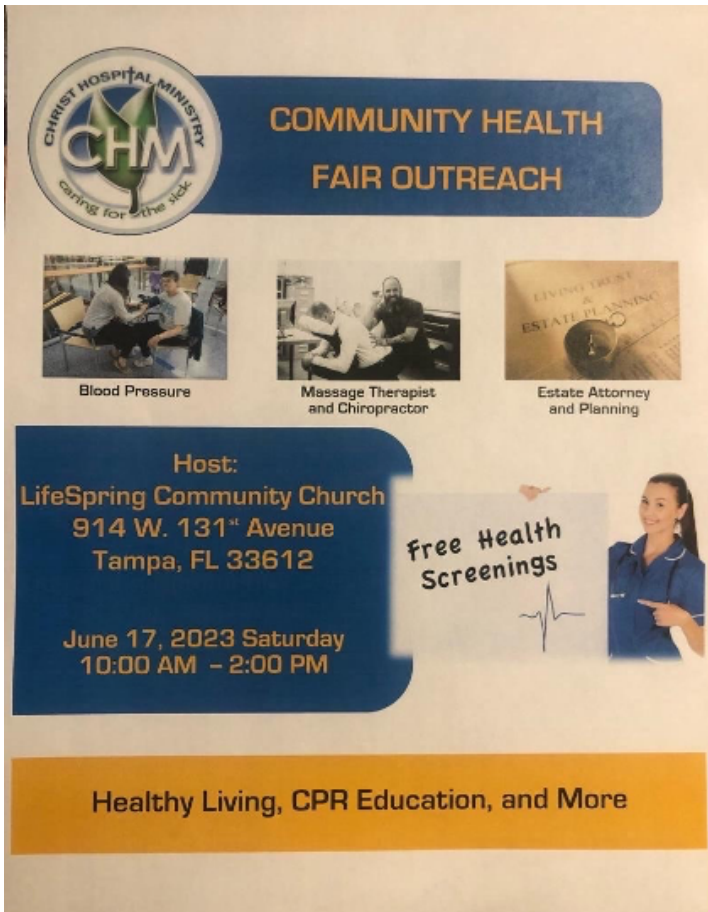
A CROSS-SECTION OF THE VILLAGERS AT THE MEDICAL CAMP

CHM USA

Our American chapter held its annual conference on Saturday the 17th of June 2023 at the Lifespring Community Church, in Tampa, Florida. The conference included the community health fair outreach which provided the community with free access to medical care including blood donation, massage therapy and chiropractic treatment, blood pressure measurement, and blood sugar measurement among others. There was also the provision of free burgers, BBQ, and drinks for the staff and guests that attended the conference, courtesy of an organization called, one ball, one village. There was also in attendance, Mrs Toni Johnson, a licensed independent insurance agent who provided valuable free legal advice on health issues, medicare, and health insurance. She helped to organize and coordinate the conference and health fair.

In addition to all these, there was the provision of free eye screening for children and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), an important lifesaving first aid skill. Revd Sam Ajibola, the president of CHM worldwide, was in attendance to support the leaders of CHM USA as he has done yearly save for the COVID-19 lockdown period.

Special appreciation goes to Bishop Bruce Wright (Rtd) and his wife Elaine as well as Bishop Jake Wright and his wife Amanda of Lifespring Community Church in Tampa for bankrolling the program and for their tireless work behind the scenes to bringing everything to fruition on the day. May the Lord bless their ministry and crown their efforts with glorious success.



THE FLYER FOR THE COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR



BISHOP JAKE WRIGHT DONATED BLOOD WITH REVD SAM AJIBOLA TO HIS RIGHT



THE MOBILE BLOOD DONATION BUS



PASTOR MRS DEBORAH OLABISI (R) WIFE OF CHM USA CHAIRMAN



MRS DUPE AJAYI, NATIONAL COORDINATOR CHM USA (L) ATTENDING TO A GUEST



BISHOP JAKE WRIGHT DONATING BLOOD



TWO GUESTS ATTENDED TO AT THE HEALTH FAIR



MRS DUPE AJAYI CONSULTING WITH THE LICENSED INSURANCE AGENT



CHIROPRACTIC TREATMENT IN PROGRESS



REFRESHMENT CANOPY



DUMMIES USED FOR CPR TRAINING



BISHOP BRUCE WRIGHT (HOST) & REVD SAM AJIBOLA

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Ezekiel Adikalie Sesay is a young dynamic student at the Institute of Public Administration (IPAM) of the University of Sierra Leone. He serves as the evangelism coordinator and music director at Potter's Evangelistic Praise Ministries, Freetown, Sierra Leone. He has a passion for visiting hospitals to pray for the sick and prisons to pray and minister to those in incarceration.

He currently serves as the chairman of the newly inaugurated Christ Hospital Ministry (CHM), in Sierra Leone. According to him, this platform gives him great joy as it affords him the opportunity to visit and pray for the sick and encourage them in the word of God. In his capacity as the chairman of CHM, he coordinates all the activities organized by CHM Sierra Leone. These include monthly and quarterly activities, community outreach, and home visits.

Ezekiel is a forward-looking visionary and a blessing to CHM locally and internationally in Sierra Leone. He is single but trusts God for the right partner in the near future.

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