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Holy Family Hospital

An Institution of the Order of Malta

"Where there is always a place in the inn for all"



French Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

On the 27th of July 2009, the hospital received three groups of young French students within the largest French pilgrimage in the Holy Land ever made journey to the Holy Land organized by the Bishops of France entitled "At the sources, Holy Land 2009". The young people were introduced to the hospital and to the role of the Sovereign Order of Malta. They toured in the Neonatal department and Labor Ward of the hospital and then they visited the crèche.



THANK YOU!!

Mr. Lucas Weimer, a German young man from Bonn, is leaving the hospital after a month of voluntary work. Mr. Weimer who served in the Maintenance Department, came to Bethlehem as a Social Services Volunteer from the Order of Malta. We are very grateful for all the help and work Mr. Weimer presented to the hospital, and we wish him all the best back home.

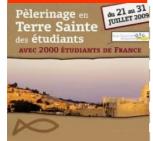
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EDITORIAL



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"Dive to the roots of Christianity"

Starting out to meet God, leaving our everyday life to take the path, sometimes punctuated with pitfalls, to reach a spiritual target - this is the meaning of pilgrimage. The history of our life as believers is a pilgrimage, a quest for God through sluggish movement and gradual introduction of stages and meetings. Pilgrims have always moved to the places of the history of the salvation in search of the sense of life especially for the three monotheist believers.

It was for this purpose that the Bishops of France organized a pilgrimage to the Holy Land for the students during the month of July, following the steps of Jesus Christ from the Negev desert reaching to Jerusalem. Upon the arrival of the 1800 young people in Bethlehem, Holy Family Hospital opened its doors to serve the sick people among these pilgrims. During their stay in Bethlehem some groups of young people had the chance to visit Holy Family Hospital and the crèche-orphanage and to meet some French volunteers working in these institutions. Others had the chance to meet and chat with Christian and Muslim students from Bethlehem University and from the local communities.

These students had a lot of

questions concerning not only the political and economic situation for the Christians in the Holy Land but mainly concerning the motivation of the volunteers to work here in Bethlehem, their faith experience, and their Christian testimony among the local people.

One of the highest points of their stay in Bethlehem was without doubt the concelebrating of the candle mass at night on Manger Square in the presence of the Patriarch of Jerusalem H.B. Mgr Fouad Twal, H. E. Andre Vingttrois Cardinal of Paris and 18 Bishops of the different Dioceses of France. The assembly were touched by a life-testimony from Sister Sophie, leading the orphanage at Holy Family Hospital, speaking about her experience with abandoned children and babies as well as about the daily life in this Land plunged in fear and violence since decades and by the testimony of Emilia Valois, a French midwife who has been a volunteer at Holy Family Hospital for two years.

For everybody it was important to meet the local Christian communities and to discover the harsh reality of life in the Holy Land but also to carry along a message of peace knowing that solidarity in faith and hope can smooth away mountains.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Monthly Deliveries

The number of monthly deliveries since 1990 is as follows:

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
JAN	0	93	128	143	146	148	181	205	217	162	250	158	180	159	238	224	240	230	248	221
FEB	4	69	97	150	157	130	183	180	192	165	239	155	152	165	220	221	218	228	217	239
MAR	46	93	133	184	149	168	164	220	194	217	231	160	142	179	224	231	217	313	259	236
APR	68	87	116	181	135	180	180	207	185	213	274	146	82	195	222	240	216	322	270	280
MAY	85	92	124	170	153	188	224	233	221	246	288	195	129	214	196 252	238	237	366	340	284
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AUG	71	90	151	173	163	199	209	219	244	299	309	161	122	249	232	235	245	264	279	520
SEP	109	103	154	171	172	167	192	241	199	276	275	146	143	220	224	234	280	233	260	
OCT	116	109	154	166	172	193	198	255	211	273	223	134	138	240	243	257	295	255	277	
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DETAILED STATISTICS

2009	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Tota
Ob/Gyn consult. HFH	767	806	857	895	859	801	898						5883
Ob/Gyn cons. villages		233	270	260	220	249	287						1733
Ped. Consultations	213	187	207	238	244	244	203						1530
Mammography	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Detailed scan	9	14	11	22	9	8	6						79
private cons. o/g	442	416	473	557	552	406	570						348
private cons. Pediatric	63	75	68	63	56	56	34						415
private cons.Endoc.	1	3	4	3	1	2	0						14
T. Consultations	1708	1734	1890	2038	1941	1766	1998	0	0	0	0	0	1314
TTL. Op. Del. File	17	15	6	7	15	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	86
Deliveries 3rd cl	194	215	207	233	248	243	286						162
Deliveries 2nd cl	4	4	5	3	1	4	4						25
Deliveries 1st cl	2	0	0	3	0	4	2						23 10
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Gyn. Oper. 3rd class		21	24	23	23	30	31						173
Gyn. Oper. 2nd class	0	0	0	1	0	0	0						1
Gyn. Oper. 1st class	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Gy.Op.2nd cl Private	10	9	13	5	16	16	7						76
Gy.Op.1st cl. Private	2	1	2	0	1	0	1	<u>^</u>		0			7
TTL Gyn. Oper.	33	31	39	29	40	46	39	0	0	0	0	0	257
incl.op. UNRWA	11	15	20	13	22	27	13						121
incl. minor g. oper.	25	18	28	22	14	29	33						169
incl. major g. oper.	8	13	11	7	26	17	6						88
days ob/gn 3rd cl	423	513	475	523	550	588	638						371
days ob/gn 2nd cl	36	52	49	55	73	66	71						402
days ob/gn 1st cl	22	12	21	30	30	26	24						165
TOTAL days Ob/Gn	481	577	545	608	653	680	733	0	0	0	0	0	427
days neo level 1	112	73	74	72	53	69	112						565
days neo level 2	236	161	327	206	204	218	231						158
days neo level 3	149	253	94	121	149	152	80						998
TTL days Neonatal	497	487	495	399	406	439	423	0	0	0	0	0	314
Admissions Obst.	52	55	74	68	76	89	78						492
Admissions Gyn.	220	239	236	280	284	275	328						186
TTL Admiss. Ob/gn	272	294	310	348	360	364	406						235
incl. Ad. UNRWA	132	150	148	141	151	148	153						233 102
Adm. Neo. level 1	7	10	3	7	2	8	7						44
Adm. Neo. level 2	11	11	23	15	20	o 9	12						101
Adm. Neo. level 3	25	18	12	13	17	9 17	12						101
TTL Admiss. Neon.	23 43	39	38	36	39	34	30	0	0	0	0	0	259
incl. Ad. UNRWA	43 16	15	38 13	30 12	11	34 8	30 4	U	U	U	U	U	255 79
Occupancy O/Gyn	34.48	45.79	39.07	45.04	46.81	50.37	52,54	0	0	0	0	0	52.5
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