



Holy Family Hospital



An Institution of the Order of Malta

“Where there is always a place in the inn for all”

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Board Meeting of Holy Family Hospital –Bethlehem

The meetings of the International Board of Directors of Holy Family Hospital took place at the hospital on the 10th and 11th November.

On Monday 10th morning, the Medical Committee met and were present Dr. John Griffith, Chairman, Pr. Jacques Rigo (University of Liege), Pr. John Queenan (Georgetown University), Miss Maeve Dwyer (Irish College of Physicians), Dr. Jacques Keutgen, General Manager and Dr. Robert Tabash, director of administration from HFH.



On Monday afternoon, the Financial Committee met and was present Mr. Jean Pierre Van Rooy US Federal Association of the Order, Dr. Jacques Keutgen and Dr. Robert Tabash from HFH.

On Tuesday 11th, the Board of Directors met under the Presidency of H. E. Baron Albrecht von Boeselager, Grand Hospitaller of the Sovereign Order of Malta in the presence of the Executive President H. E. Baron Jacques Guerrier de Dumast, Ambassador of the Order to Lebanon, H. E. Count Thierry de Beaumont-Beynac, President of Malte France, Soeur Marie Bernard Giffard Counselor of the Superior General of the Daughters of Charity in Paris, Sr. Vincent Allouane, Superior of the Daughters of Charity in the Middle East, Sr. Sophie Boueri, Mother Superior of the Daughters of Charity in Bethlehem, Mrs. Kathryn Abell, Dr. John Griffith, Mr. Jean Pierre Van Rooy from the US Federal Association of the Order and Miss Peta Taaffe for the Irish Association of the Order.

Also present in the hospital during these meetings were Mrs. Colleen Marotta, Executive Director of the American Foundation for Holy Family Hospital and Mrs. Odile Cagnat-Tournoux from the Direction des Activités Internationales at Malte France.

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The Management & Staff of holy Family Hospital wish you all Merry Christmas.

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EDITORIAL

During Advent time when we read the wonderful texts from Prophet Isaiah, we should experience a deep ardent desire to ask God to fill this world with His love and peace.

In some areas of the world there is a tradition to make an Advent wreath with fir branches and four candles recalling the four Advent Sundays before Christmas. Each candle is a symbol and shows us how we can accede by meditation to the mystery of the Nativity.

The first candle stands for hope. It brings heat in our coldness, mildness in our hard-heartedness, gentleness in our straightness.

The second candle indicates the duality in our lives. We have love and hatred, fear and confidence, strength and weakness in us.

The third candle stands for the three components of the human being: spirit, soul and body, for head, heart and stomach.

The fourth candle is the promise that our life will change and be born anew on Christmas





"Because in the inn there was no place" (Lukas 2, 7)

Apparently since ever people have been greatly affected by the fact that this world was not prepared for the birth of Jesus Christ.

Accordingly, people have always felt in agreement: especially the homeless, the refugees who have been robbed of their fatherland, the unemployed, the poor and have nots, those who in this world are completely lost and those who have still not found a place they can belong to, where they can be heard and hear words of love. Very often Holy Family Hospital has been confronted here in Bethlehem with pregnant women who have been refused medical care because of the lack of financial means or because there was no place for them in other hospitals. At Holy Family Hospital we welcome everybody with humanity and medical competence, giving to the mothers and their newborns comfort and dignity.

As Holy Family Hospital is the only maternity hospital in the West Bank with a neonatal intensive care unit, more than ever in this Christmas time we need your financial support to pursue our mission giving to each mother and especially to the premature infants with very low birth weight a place in the inn where they can experience a warm welcome and the highest quality of care due to the impressive modernization of the hospital facilities and the outstanding devotion of our midwives, nurses and doctors.

We believe that the hope that this Advent time will bring us will also benefit this world and especially the Holy Land. With this I would like to wish you and your family a thoughtful Advent time and a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Dr. Jacques Keutgen
General Manager



ACTIVITY REPORT



Monthly Deliveries

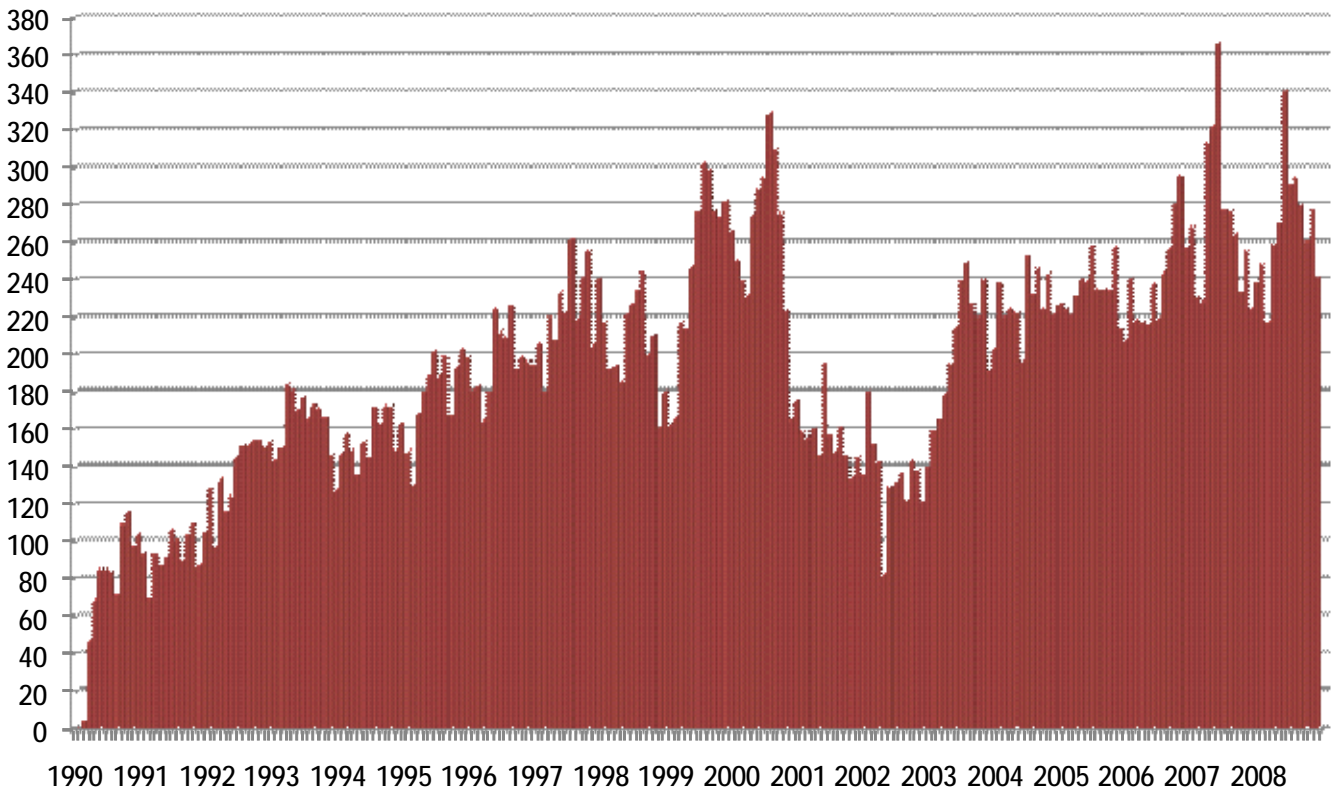
The number of monthly deliveries since 1990 is as follows:

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
JAN	0	93	128	143	146	148	181	205	217	162	250	158	180	159	238	224	240	230	248
FEB	4	69	97	150	157	130	183	180	192	165	239	155	152	165	220	221	218	228	217
MAR	46	93	133	184	149	168	164	220	194	217	231	160	142	179	224	231	217	313	259
APR	68	87	116	181	135	180	180	207	185	213	274	146	82	195	222	240	216	322	270
MAY	85	92	124	170	153	188	224	233	221	246	288	195	129	214	196	238	237	366	340
JUN	85	106	145	177	145	202	212	222	227	276	294	156	132	239	252	258	219	277	291
JUL	84	101	151	165	172	188	209	261	234	302	329	148	136	249	232	235	243	276	294
AUG	71	90	151	173	163	199	226	219	244	299	309	161	122	227	246	235	256	264	279
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
NOV	97	87	150	146	149	203	196	205	161	282	165	145	121	191	221	213	257	224	241
DEC	104	105	153	127	163	198	194	240	180	266	175	135	140	203	227	207	268	238	
TOTAL	869	1135	1656	1953	1876	2164	2359	2688	2465	2977	3052	1839	1617	2481	2745	2793	2946	3226	2976

TOTAL DELIVEREIS SINCE 1990

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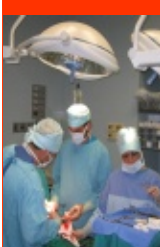
Monthly Deliveries





DETAILED STATISTICS

2008	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total
Ob/Gyn consult. HFH	817	952	840	850	875	851	920	915	767	860	748	0	9395
Ob/Gyn cons. villages	163	166	172	185	166	160	167	135	139	145	217	0	1815
Ped. Consultations	220	210	231	229	314	295	0	255	263	256	232	0	2505
Mammography	19	9	16	25	18	15	5	0	0	0	0	0	107
Detailed scan	3	9	6	9	10	4	4	3	4	5	2	0	59
private cons. o/g	5	3	2	36	26	68	333	337	301	367	358	0	1836
private cons. Pediatric	85	87	64	58	70	53	18	26	73	93	37	0	664
T. Consultations	1312	1436	1331	1392	1479	1446	1447	1671	1547	1726	1594	0	16381
TTL. Op. Del. File	19	17	8	14	14	9	14	12	11	23	21	0	162
Deliveries 3rd cl	216	193	225	223	293	264	252	251	222	240	202	0	2581
Deliveries 2nd cl	3	4	7	5	10	4	2	5	6	7	2	0	55
Deliveries 1st cl	2	1	0	2	8	2	3	0	1	1	0	0	20
Del..2nd cl. private	17	10	19	29	12	10	23	16	17	19	18	0	190
Del..1st cl. private	10	9	8	11	17	11	14	7	14	10	19	0	130
TTL Deliveries	248	217	259	270	340	291	294	279	260	277	241	0	2976
<i>incl. C/S sections</i>	50	36	30	48	52	44	48	48	44	46	38	0	484
<i>incl. Del. UNRWA</i>	76	79	103	86	80	106	110	119	96	115	90	0	1060
Gyn. Oper. 3rd class	29	33	28	32	29	28	23	23	28	25	25	0	303
Gyn. Oper. 2nd class	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Gyn. Oper. 1st class	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gy.Op.2nd cl Private	6	10	9	11	5	2	7	11	13	17	10	0	101
Gy.Op.1st cl. Private	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	6
TTL Gyn. Oper.	35	45	38	43	35	30	31	34	42	43	35	0	411
<i>incl.op. UNRWA</i>	15	19	16	22	11	12	11	11	15	18	12	0	162
<i>incl. minor g. oper.</i>	31	37	27	34	25	24	24	27	33	35	29	0	326
<i>incl. major g. oper.</i>	4	8	11	9	10	6	7	7	9	12	6	0	89
days ob/gn 3rd cl	439	402	441	481	547	476	581	477	541	570	465	0	5420
days ob/gn 2nd cl	85	61	69	89	72	62	64	61	71	73	71	0	778
days ob/gn 1st cl	66	26	71	35	66	52	34	16	21	33	48	0	468
TOTAL days Ob/Gn	590	489	581	605	685	590	679	554	633	676	584	0	6666
days neo level 1	73	88	89	89	93	95	109	95	98	91	59	0	979
days neo level 2	217	156	124	179	227	109	121	166	144	142	233	0	1818
days neo level 3	68	75	41	79	88	100	114	126	105	181	99	0	1076
TTL days Neonatal	358	319	254	347	408	304	344	387	347	414	391	0	3873
Admissions Obst.	78	82	82	79	84	79	151	98	91	86	74	0	984
Admissions Gyn.	248	217	259	270	340	291	294	279	260	277	241	0	2976
TTL Admiss. Ob/gn	326	299	341	349	424	370	445	377	351	363	315	0	3960
<i>incl. Ad. UNRWA</i>	129	117	132	130	149	144	148	171	145	167	125	0	1556
Adm. Neo. level 1	11	10	6	10	9	7	11	12	8	9	3	0	96
Adm. Neo. level 2	12	16	8	12	13	10	5	12	11	4	16	0	119
Adm. Neo. level 3	9	7	6	19	13	12	17	16	13	6	20	0	138
TTL Admiss. Neon.	32	33	20	41	35	29	33	40	32	19	39	0	353
<i>incl. Ad. UNRWA</i>	10	9	3	8	3	8	6	15	12	9	6	0	89
Occupancy O/Gyn	42.29	37.47	41.65	44.81	49.10	43.70	48.67	39.71	46.89	48.46	43.26	0.00	44.22
Occup. Neonatal D.	64.16	61.11	45.52	64.26	73.12	56.30	61.65	69.35	64.26	74.19	72.41	0.00	64.23



"Because the Poorest deserve the best"



Merry Christmas