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Hope Clinic, Guinea



Dear Ladies,



Greetings from N'zao Guinea. Thank you for your interest in **Guinea and Hope Clinic!**

Hope Clinic has a website www.hopeguinea.org that has the most up to date information. As you go through the pages you will learn some of its history.

Hope started when one missionary man and his Guinean friend had a vision for a health post. Jon Erickson and Moise May worked together since 1990 and started many churches in the Mano region, as well as a primary school, middle school, and then the clinic. In 2003 the clinic opened its doors to see first people needing dental care. A few weeks later we opened an outpatient clinic. In 2002 my husband Jon Erickson and I helped set up the medical side of the ministry. In 2006 we started to teach a refresher course for the Guinean nurses and hired 9 of the students. Each year we teach a course like this and hire more medical personal.

Currently we have two Guinean doctors. One is a surgeon, trained through the PAACS program at Bongolo hospital in Gabon. The other doctor is a family practitioner. There are a total of 46 employees working at the clinic. Besides Jon and me we have a Gabonese couple that previously worked at the Bongolo Evangelical Hospital and were sent by the Gabonese national church as missionaries in 2007. In 2013 another Dutch missionary nurse arrived.

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The Ebola outbreak has touched many aspects of the clinic and life in general in Guinea. The clinic closed in August 2014 because it had a suspect case of Ebola. We were planning to reopen in October 2014. But our dear friend and co-founder of the clinic Moise died during an outreach teaching people about Ebola. You most likely have heard the story or read it in Alliance Life. His loss has been tremendous for everyone.

In February 2015 we opened the clinic again, but only partially. May 2015 we will open the clinic completely. Ebola is almost gone. There are only a few cases up north.

We are looking for funds for a new water tower. The one we have now is not sufficient anymore for the amount of water needed. The clinic has a guesthouse for visiting medical teams. It can use some new supplies of linen's, cooking utensils etc. If you are interested in contributing to these items, please contact me via the Hope website. Thank you!

Blessings,
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