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## Editorial

Dear Friends

First of all I would like in the name of the Management Committee and all the staff of Holy Family Hospital to wish you and your family a happy new year 2015 and to thank you again for your continued support to our Institution which is more essential than ever. Despite the tragic events of 2014 we still hope that people of good will can establish peace in the Holy Land and by our daily work as a hospital helping destitute people in the name of our Lord Jesus, we are part of this process.

The visit of the Pope to the Holy Land and in particular to Bethlehem on Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 was an extraordinary moment and thousands of Christians came to attend the holy mass in the Manger Square. During his visit, Pope Francis mainly emphasized the need to resume dialogue between Israelis and Palestinian in order to reach a comprehensive peace agreement.

But on July 8, 2014 the Israeli Defense Force launched an operation on Gaza strip. The stated aim was to stop rocket fire into Israel. The people of the Holy Land suffered a lot on both sides of the border. There were thousands of civilians killed or injured and all hospitals were overloaded in Gaza. During this difficult time, the Holy Family Hospital acted immediately and sent medications and disposables directly to Al-Shifa Hospital, participating to the collective humanitarian effort done by the International Community. The conflict left a lot of casualties and desperate families.

Since the end of the war in Gaza the situation is still tense in the Holy Land, mainly in Jerusalem. Also as a result of the conflict all available funds will be spent on the reconstruction of Gaza and it will affect most of the development projects in West



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Bank. In this context the support of the Order of Malta is still essential for the success of our mission in the country.

Fortunately, Holy Family Hospital has maintained a high activity thanks to the commitment of all staff. We opened the consultation for the newborn in the remote villages through our mobile clinic, thank to the support of the Kingdom of Belgium and we started the hearing screening project in cooperation with Bethlehem University. Consequently, at the end of December 2014 we have been reaching more than 23000 consultations and the annual record of 3312 deliveries, witnessing the vitality of our Institution.

The year 2015 will be crucial with the expected launch of construction of the new building including the new operating theater. Achieving this goal is a strategic issue in order to continue to give the best care to our patients according to the Order of Malta spirit and to maintain our hospital as a referral center in West Bank. Also early 2015 we are in process to open a cardiology consultation for newborn with the support of Czech Republic. All these great achievements are possible through your faithful commitment.

Warm wishes from Bethlehem and again thank you for your trust and generosity.





## December's Activity



### A Scientific Day at HFH



A successful scientific day took place on the 5<sup>th</sup> of December. Professor Foidart gave two lectures accompanied with Dr Rula Awwad and Dr Nazih Asley from Nazareth concerning the updated medical news and conditions.

Along with Doctor Nihad Salsa, Medical Director at Holy Family Hospital they toured the neonatal department checking all the premature babies and their medical conditions; also they were briefed about our history, mission and services. After this, a visit to the operation theater took place too to witness the medical operation standards been attained at HFH.

As a management committee of HFH we thank them for giving us essential information from their medical experience.

### A Group from the Order of Malta-Singapore visits HFH



The morning of 25<sup>th</sup> of December, we had the pleasure of receiving the Singapore association group of the Order of Malta-Singapore who came to witness the work done in the Hospital that is located 800 meters from the birth place of Jesus.

A group of 15 person was led by Dr. Isaac S. Krishnamoorthy along with other members. Dr. Anas Alamlala a Gynecologist specialist at HFH toured with them into our different departments and facilities (post-natal, operation theater, outpatient clinics, Neonatal and Labor ward). And then they were briefed about our high quality of work.

A fruitful discussion took place at the meeting room about the medical obstacles we are facing in the west banks and the needs of the medical sector in Palestine in general and in Bethlehem in specific.



Holy Family Hospital Management Committee and staff would like to thank them for the generous



# ACTIVITY REPORT

## Monthly Deliveries



The number of monthly deliveries 1990 - 2014 is as follows:

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
JAN	0	93	128	143	146	148	181	205	217	162	250	158	180	159	238	224	240	230	248	221	258	249	274	249	271
FEB	4	69	97	150	157	130	183	180	192	165	239	155	152	165	220	221	218	228	217	239	221	228	227	224	257
MAR	46	93	133	184	149	168	164	220	194	217	231	160	142	179	224	231	217	313	259	236	265	260	278	260	287
APR	68	87	116	181	135	180	180	207	185	213	274	146	82	195	222	240	216	322	270	280	298	286	265	301	267
MAY	85	92	124	170	153	188	224	233	221	246	288	195	129	214	196	238	237	366	340	284	304	285	229	250	240
JUN	85	106	145	177	145	202	212	222	227	276	294	156	132	239	252	258	219	277	291	275	333	292	261	278	302
JUL	84	101	151	165	172	188	209	261	234	302	329	148	136	249	232	235	243	276	294	328	307	286	306	279	314
AUG	71	90	151	173	163	199	226	219	244	299	309	161	122	227	246	235	256	264	279	280	286	292	296	289	319
SEP	109	103	154	171	172	167	192	241	199	276	275	146	143	220	224	234	280	233	260	261	295	263	291	267	281
OCT	116	109	154	166	172	193	198	255	211	273	223	134	138	240	243	257	295	255	277	297	270	251	281	274	258
NOV	97	87	150	146	149	203	196	205	161	282	165	145	121	191	221	213	257	224	241	247	237	224	249	271	251
DEC	104	105	153	127	163	198	194	240	180	266	175	135	140	203	227	207	268	238	248	265	236	243	209	242	265
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>1135</b>	<b>1656</b>	<b>1953</b>	<b>1876</b>	<b>2164</b>	<b>2359</b>	<b>2688</b>	<b>2465</b>	<b>2977</b>	<b>3052</b>	<b>1839</b>	<b>1617</b>	<b>2481</b>	<b>2745</b>	<b>2793</b>	<b>2946</b>	<b>3226</b>	<b>3224</b>	<b>3213</b>	<b>3310</b>	<b>3159</b>	<b>3166</b>	<b>3184</b>	<b>3312</b>

# Baby of the Month



<b>TOTAL DELIVERIES SINCE 1990</b>	<b>63, 407</b>
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