



# 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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## US CONGRESSIONAL VISIT TO HOLY FAMILY HOSPITAL

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December, three members of the office of United States Missouri Senator Christopher (Kit) Bond, senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee visited the hospital together with Mr. Alistair Baskey a diplomat from the US Consulate General in Jerusalem. Unfortunately Senator bond couldn't be present.

They spent two hours touring the facility and enquiring about its work. They were:

**Mr. Mike DuBois (Military Legislative Assistant, Senator Bond)**

**Ms. Shana Marchio (Communications Director, Senator Bond)**

**Maj. (P) Earl Rilington (Military Escort)**

They were given a detailed presentation of the hospital's work together and the impact of the Congressional grant that the hospital received in 2005 with the help of the Senator.

In particular they were shown how the objectives of the 3-year partnership program, now extended to 5 years, were met. They are to expand the access to quality gynecology, obstetrics and neonatal health care for Palestinian women and infants. The project contract was signed between USAID West Bank Gaza and Holy Family Hospital.

The hospital's management and staff thank Senator Christopher Bond for his support. The Senator's intervention made Holy Family Hospital a safer place to deliver the babies of Bethlehem.

## STAFF CHRISTMAS DINNER

The hospital's management along with the Daughters of Charity, gathered the employees for a Christmas dinner party at St. Vincent's Hall on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008.

Gifts were distributed on that occasion and special thanks to Mr. Barry Donahue for his generous donation for that purpose.

On the occasion of her departure, Sr. Maria Mastinu was thanked by the management of the hospital for her services to the institution.

Also special thanks to Sr. Laudy Fares, who with the help of all the kitchen staff, prepared a delicious meal and created a very warm atmosphere.



### TO MAKE A DONATION:

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# EDITORIAL



**Dr. Jacques Keutgen**  
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**“Serving our  
Masters  
the sick  
and the  
poor”**

The year 2008 has been a transitional year and a milestone for Holy Family hospital concerning the increase and diversification of hospital activities for mothers and infants, moving to the new wing, setting up a new, younger and motivated medical team and becoming part of the national Palestinian training specialty system as a training referral center.

Due to these facts and due to the reputation of the hospital in the surrounding area, the activities of the maternity hospital and the neonatal intensive care unit have grown, not only in number but also in quality of care provided, to an unprecedented point. Each visitor to Holy Family Hospital is highly impressed by the cleanliness, the human and quiet atmosphere, the high professional standards of care and the good maintenance of up-to-date equipment. It was and is still a long, difficult and exacting job, performed sometimes under extreme stressful conditions by a devoted, motivated and highly qualified team of employees whose idealism and dedication are remarkable and allow us to realize feats that anyone think to be not feasible in Palestine.

For Bethlehem area, the year 2008 was economically speaking a good year especially con-

cerning the huge increase in overnight stays by tourists and pilgrims. Hopefully this trend will continue next year.

In spite of all this good news, depending on the political and economic situation, we are uncertain about the future. Several important political issues will take place beginning of 2009: elections of a new Prime Minister in Israel and probably also elections for a President of the Palestinian Authority will certainly affect surroundings which we hope will stay peaceful and will not lead to a destroying general confrontation.

Our expectations for 2009 are equal to the hope for a peaceful settlement of the gap which dramatically divides the two components of the Palestinian society, an essential prerequisite to a global peace process in the Holy Land. From our side, we are doing our utmost to pave the way for a just and lasting peace in the Bethlehem society which should spread into the whole country.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our numerous donors who unfailingly have been helping Holy Family Hospital. In this current worldwide financial crisis, we hope that we can still rely on your generosity in the future for the benefit of the Palestinian mothers and their infants.

We wish you and your family a Happy new Year 2009

# ACTIVITY REPORT

## Monthly Deliveries

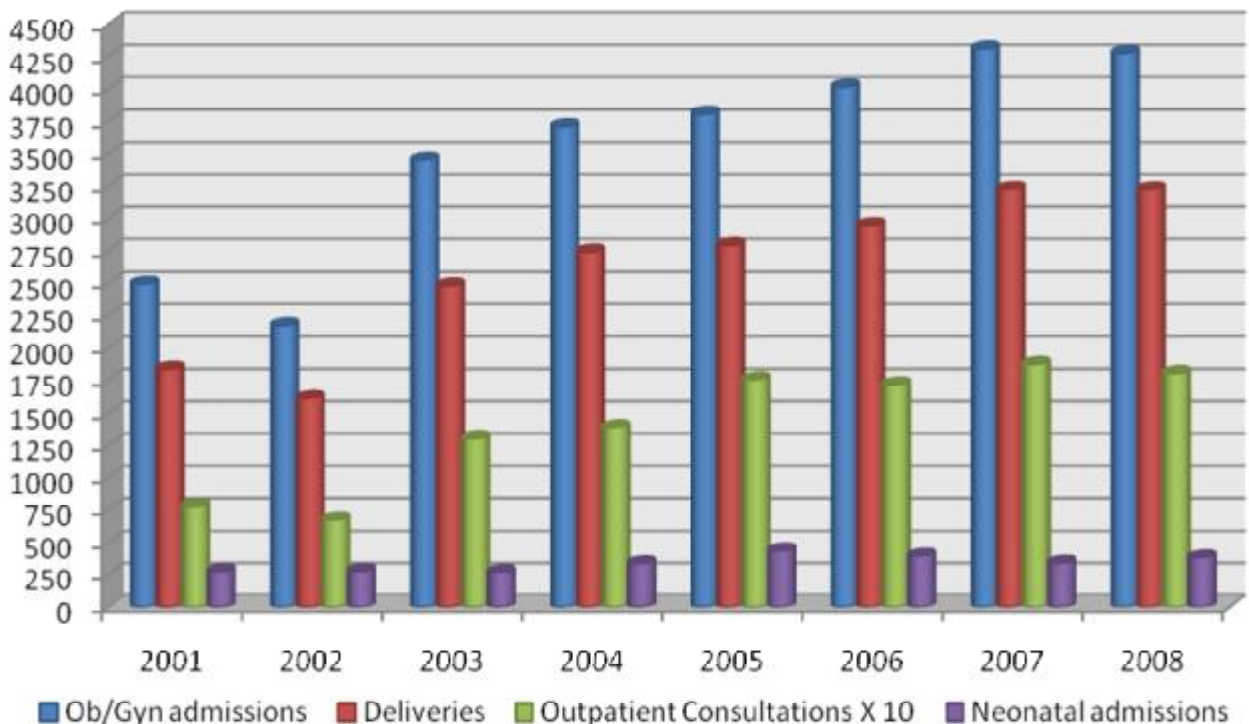
The number of monthly deliveries since 1990 is as follows:

	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	248
<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>

TOTAL DELIVEREIS SINCE 1990

44065

### HOLY FAMILY HOSPITAL ACTIVITY 2001 - 2008



# 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	860	10255
Ob/Gyn cons. villages	163	166	172	185	166	160	167	135	139	145	217	197	2012
Ped. Consultations	220	210	231	229	314	295	0	255	263	256	232	231	2736
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	5	64
private cons. o/g	5	3	2	36	26	68	333	337	301	367	358	305	2158
private cons. Pediatric	85	87	64	58	70	53	18	26	73	93	37	73	737
private cons. Endoc.											0	1	1
<b>T. Consultations</b>	<b>1312</b>	<b>1436</b>	<b>1331</b>	<b>1392</b>	<b>1479</b>	<b>1446</b>	<b>1447</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>1547</b>	<b>1726</b>	<b>1594</b>	<b>1672</b>	<b>18070</b>
<b>TTL. Op. Del. File</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>170</b>
Deliveries 3rd cl	216	193	225	223	293	264	252	251	222	240	202	219	2800
Deliveries 2nd cl	3	4	7	5	10	4	2	5	6	7	2	6	61
Deliveries 1st cl	2	1	0	2	8	2	3	0	1	1	0	2	22
Del..2nd cl. private	17	10	19	29	12	10	23	16	17	19	18	14	204
Del..1st cl. private	10	9	8	11	17	11	14	7	14	10	19	7	137
<b>TTL Deliveries</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>3224</b>
<i>incl. C/S sections</i>	50	36	30	48	52	44	48	48	44	46	38	45	529
<i>incl. Del. UNRWA</i>	76	79	103	86	80	106	110	119	96	115	90	92	1152
Gyn. Oper. 3rd class	29	33	28	32	29	28	23	23	28	25	25	33	336
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	8	109
Gy.Op.1st cl. Private	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	6
<b>TTL Gyn. Oper.</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>452</b>
<i>incl.op. UNRWA</i>	15	19	16	22	11	12	11	11	15	18	12	15	177
<i>incl. minor g. oper.</i>	31	37	27	34	25	24	24	27	33	35	29	39	365
<i>incl. major g. oper.</i>	4	8	11	9	10	6	7	7	9	12	6	2	91
days ob/gn 3rd cl	439	402	441	481	547	476	581	477	541	570	465	521	5941
days ob/gn 2nd cl	85	61	69	89	72	62	64	61	71	73	71	67	845
days ob/gn 1st cl	66	26	71	35	66	52	34	16	21	33	48	17	485
<b>TOTAL days Ob/Gn</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>633</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>7271</b>
days neo level 1	73	88	89	89	93	95	109	95	98	91	59	105	1084
days neo level 2	217	156	124	179	227	109	121	166	144	142	233	229	2047
days neo level 3	68	75	41	79	88	100	114	126	105	181	99	72	1148
<b>TTL days Neonatal</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>4279</b>
Admissions Obst.	78	82	82	79	84	79	151	98	91	86	74	70	1054
Admissions Gyn.	248	217	259	270	340	291	294	279	260	277	241	248	3224
<b>TTL Admiss. Ob/gn</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>4278</b>
<i>incl. Ad. UNRWA</i>	129	117	132	130	149	144	148	171	145	167	125	135	1691
Adm. Neo. level 1	11	10	6	10	9	7	11	12	8	9	3	9	105
Adm. Neo. level 2	12	16	8	12	13	10	5	12	11	4	16	9	128
Adm. Neo. level 3	9	7	6	19	13	12	17	16	13	6	20	16	154
<b>TTL Admiss. Neon.</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>387</b>
<i>incl. Ad. UNRWA</i>	10	9	3	8	3	8	6	15	12	9	6	10	99
<b>Occupancy O/Gyn</b>	<b>42.29</b>	<b>37.47</b>	<b>41.65</b>	<b>44.81</b>	<b>49.10</b>	<b>43.70</b>	<b>48.67</b>	<b>39.71</b>	<b>46.89</b>	<b>48.46</b>	<b>43.26</b>	<b>43.37</b>	<b>44.15</b>
<b>Occup. Neonatal D.</b>	<b>64.16</b>	<b>61.11</b>	<b>45.52</b>	<b>64.26</b>	<b>73.12</b>	<b>56.30</b>	<b>61.65</b>	<b>69.35</b>	<b>64.26</b>	<b>74.19</b>	<b>72.41</b>	<b>72.76</b>	<b>64.95</b>



*“Because the Poorest deserve the best”*