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**BETHLEHEM**

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

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Half of the year already went by, 2170 babies were born, lower level of restrictions are now imposed due to Corona Virus Pandemic, the social life and the economic situation is getting better all over the world. Unfortunately, in Bethlehem, this is very different; the effect of this pandemic will never end unless the Pilgrimage sector is back.

Together with your support, at this unique time and in this sacred place where Jesus was born, we are able to provide the best medical care to the Palestinian women and babies and we are able to spread hope to those who knock our door.

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## WELCOMING OUR THIRD CHILD

This pandemic is lasting in Bethlehem longer than other countries, as far as the tourism sector is still closed, the people of Bethlehem will continue to suffer and their financial abilities will worsen more and more.



Riham and Na'em are one of those families that has been affected by the pandemic.

The family has two children Joury, seven years old and Julian, three year old who were previously born at Holy Family Hospital.

As Riham described "Birth is beautiful yet powerful, so am I", this quote is so real for me, Pregnancy, birth and motherhood are the best feeling ever anyone can have. When we knew

about my third pregnancy, I was unsure how things would proceed, doubting my ability to give birth naturally especially after having previous Cesarean section. I asked God to protect my pregnancy during the hard times we live, I asked him to bless my baby with good health and love.

I was sure that we will be safe at Holy Family Hospital and the hospital's team will provide us with the needed medical care".





"At 40 weeks +6 baby Adrian finally decided to come to life, He was born on June 15th 2021, weighing 4.40kg in good health, we want to thank Holy Family Hospital's team who helped me stay relaxed and empowered through their good care and support".



"I thank God for this little life, please grow this baby into a person that reflects your light and love in this world".

***" We need to see each child as a gift to be welcomed,  
cherished and protected"  
Pope Francis***

## WHEN A WOMAN CHOOSE HER FAMILY OVER A CAREER



"Working for 6 years at Holy Family Hospital means that I have witnessed a good part of its history. I would like to thank all those who work hard and still working for the success of this great institution. I feel really privileged to hold the responsibility of being a Midwife at Holy Family Hospital for six years".

"Today, I'm not an employee anymore, I came as a patient and I really felt the great care we give".

Dua' welcomed her first baby girl "Sama" on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, weighing 2.470 kg. Unfortunately, Sama needed to stay in our Neonatal Intensive

Care Unit for eight days. On June 19<sup>th</sup>, she was discharged home with her Family in a good health.

As Dua' described, "I consider the hospital as my second home and always belonged to it, this place always gives me hope to build a better future and a healthy family.

"When I got married, it was my choice to build a family over a career and I insisted to give birth to my children in the place I've always considered my second home".

"I want to dedicate my time to my family, but the hospital will always remain the place where I started my career, and you will remain my family, which I will always be proud of".





## BABY REINA

We know that quality care means the best care possible for you and for your needs. This is what we strive to deliver to every woman every day at every single moment, this what we call "The Meaning of Care".

"When we arrived at Holy Family Hospital, my wife was in labor, she was in pain, I was confused and scared. When my wife entered the emergency room, I felt worried and anxious. I was supposed to complete the admission procedures but actually, I was confused and within few minutes, my baby Reina was born. The Staff didn't hesitate to provide my wife the medical care even though I haven't completed



the admission procedures, no one asked me for money nor for anything, all that matter to them was caring for my wife and daughter, I am so grateful for the care we receive at this hospital" Usama described.

Reina was born on 4th June, 2021, weighing 3.335, she was discharge home in a good health.

"Wonderful job Jesus is doing through Holy Family Hospital. We thank God of having our babies delivered at Holy Family hospital".

## PREGNANCY, BIRTH & COVID19

Pregnancy is a special time full of excitement and hope, but for Marianne and George, the COVID-19 pandemic surrounded this beautiful experience with fear, anxiety and uncertainty.



During her pregnancy, Marianne was infected with COVID19, she was afraid of losing her baby, but by following up with her doctor at the Holy Family Hospital, she got through this phase safely.

On June 26<sup>th</sup> 2021, at 4:00 am, Marianne went into labour, she came directly to the Holy Family Hospital, the hospital staff contacted her doctor, who didn't hesitate for a moment to come.

As her husband described "When my wife

was examined by the Midwives, my baby's pulse turned out to be weak, so she was admitted for an urgent Caesarean. At this moment, I felt lost, but what relieved me was the rapid medical intervention I witnessed. They succeeded in saving the life of my wife and my daughter's life"



"Our daughter Yasmeen needed an intensive care, we witnessed great team work among the doctors and nurses, no one hesitated for a moment to provide the quick medical care needed for my daughter".



"Our choice of going to Holy Family hospital saved us for a tragedy that could have happened, their quick interference, their great experience saved my baby's life"

Yasmeen was discharged after four days, weighing 2.420 kg in a Good Health.

**HEAVENLY FATHER, WATCH OVER OUR CHILDREN AND  
GRANT THAT THEY MAY RESTORED TO PERFECT HEALTH WHICH  
IT IS YOURS ALONE TO GIVE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR  
LORD. AMEN**



## 47 DAYS AT THE NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE

After Spending 47 days at our Neonatal Intensive Care Unit baby Fatima is finally ready to go home. Baby Fatima was born at 29 weeks of pregnancy on May 16<sup>th</sup> 2021, weighing 1.630 kg.



At 29 weeks of pregnancy, Noor Went into labour, so her husband took her to the nearest public hospital in Hebron. The doctors recommended that Noor should deliver at Holy Family hospital since the baby will admission to the Intensive Care unit at Holy Family Hospital since they are the only one qualified at caring of such preemies.

"It was a very hard decision to go to a hospital that I'm not familiar with, to deal with

doctors and nurses without knowing them before, but thank God we took the right decision"

"It was very scary experience especially that we didn't know what was going to happen or what the outcome will be, but the staff of Holy Family Hospital provided my baby "Fatima" the best medical care they may provide, and finally baby Fatima went back home to join her two years old brother "Ali" in a good health on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 "





## HOSPITAL STAFF GIVING BIRTH

Dr Saliba joined the team of Holy Family Hospital on October 2016 to complete his nine months of training at our Residency Program. During his training, he met Our Staff Nurse, Ghada Qumsieh. They got married on September 2020. On June 22<sup>nd</sup> and while Ghada was on duty she went in to labor and within few hours baby Yasma was born.



*"Bless those who care for children and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith "*

# Congratulations!

Our Midwife, Ala Abu khyarah gave birth to her baby girl "Elia'" on June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021 .

Ala is a Mdwife who joined Holy Family Hospital team since 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017



Our Staff Nurse, Sawsan Khamayseh, gave birth to her baby girl on June 21<sup>st</sup> 2021.

Sawsan is a Staff Nurse at the nursery who joined Holy Family Hospital team since February 1<sup>st</sup> , 2018.

Our Staff Nurse, Nariman Dannon, gave birth to her baby boy on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Nariman is a Staff Nurse at the Nursery who joined Holy Family Hospital team since September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018



*May they will be happy, and make a lifetime of incredible memories with you.*



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## MONTHLY DELIVERIES

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2009	2010	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
JAN	0	148	250	224	240	230	221	258	274	249	271	313	278	306	357	369	387	334
FEB	4	130	239	221	218	228	239	221	227	224	257	264	271	296	309	309	313	322
MAR	46	168	231	231	217	313	236	265	278	260	287	286	277	318	333	389	278	350
APR	68	180	274	240	216	322	280	298	265	301	267	277	268	295	344	389	275	396
MAY	85	188	288	238	237	366	284	304	229	250	240	297	304	365	373	400	323	364
JUN	85	202	294	258	219	277	275	333	261	278	302	311	313	362	380	399	390	349
JUL	84	188	329	235	243	276	328	307	306	279	314	379	379	427	450	439	402	
AUG	71	199	309	235	256	264	280	286	296	289	319	351	340	403	476	448	446	
SEP	109	167	275	234	280	233	261	295	291	267	281	327	329	386	409	398	387	
OCT	116	193	223	257	295	255	297	270	281	274	258	286	309	365	369	378	366	
NOV	97	203	165	213	257	224	247	237	249	271	251	224	278	371	369	347	331	
DEC	104	198	175	207	268	238	265	236	209	242	265	253	307	326	340	361	372	
TOTAL	869	2164	3052	2793	2946	3226	3213	3310	3166	3184	3312	3568	3653	4220	4509	4626	4270	2115

TOTAL DELIVERIES SINCE 1990

90,370



## STATISTICS

Obstetric													
Nb deliveries													
3 class	297	280	295	349	318	303							1842
1 & 2 class	37	42	55	47	46	46							273
<b>TOTAL Deliveries</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2115</b>
C sections													
Total	81	75	80	100	91	68							495
Babies													
Total	345	331	357	409	375	357							2174

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Anesthesia													
A. Générale	6	8	3	6	7	0							30
épidurale	47	39	39	50	55	58							288
Spinal	71	65	74	82	78	68							438
TOTAL Activity	124	112	116	138	140	126	0	0	0	0	0	0	756

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Poor Case Fund													
Mothers	51	53	55	56	58	58							331
Babies	11	8	23	4	5	12							63
Total cases Assisted	62	61	78	60	63	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	394