



Kiwoko Hospital News

February 2015

A word from the Medical Director

Special points of interest:

- Fundraising success
- A story from Dr Roy
- Bishop-elect Eridard
- Prayer points

2015 has got off to a good and busy start. The wards and outpatients have been busy. We have had a successful conference for church leaders in Ngoma. A week of early morning prayer meetings concluded with an overnight of prayer to end the month of January.

Over the holiday season we were a bit stretched at times, with several all night sessions in theatre dealing with the consequences of drunk driving. A sleepless night is rarely

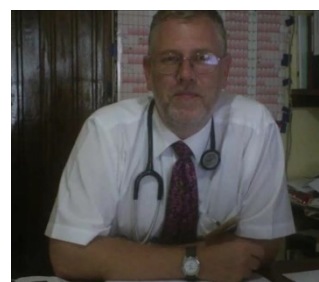
fun, but working alongside committed enthusiastic colleagues, pleased to serve those who need us, has a strong edge of encouragement.

In November we received back several nurses who had gone back to college for upgrading. One of the most rewarding parts of working in Kiwoko, is seeing these young folk develop. Nurses who I first met when they reported to nursing school after completing their O-

levels are now taking responsibility for leading wards and developing the next generation of new young nurses.

Thanks for your continued interest and support.

Greetings from everybody at Kiwoko.



Dr Rory Wilson
Medical Director

Fundraising Success

For many years we have been dependent on the generosity and hard work of friends around the world sending us used medical equipment. These days shipping is very

expensive and complicated. When the decision was made to replace our Autoclave (sterilising machine), the only option was to buy one locally.

As with all medical equipment, the cost was significant and well beyond our financial capacity.

Thankfully the Kiwoko Christmas Card Appeal was a great success.

Boosted by the fundraising efforts of 3 Nursing Elective

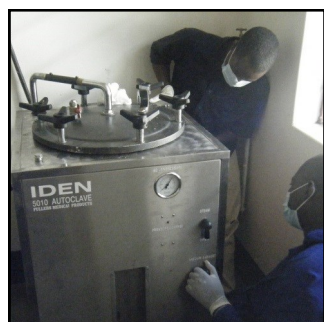
students from Queens University, we have been able to place an order for a brand new Autoclave which will keep us operating (literally) for years to come.

The remaining money will be used to close the biggest gap in our perimeter fence - close to the kitchen, where most of the pigs come in.

Thank you to all involved in raising these vital funds!

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Engineers repairing the old autoclave... again.

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Pastor Johnny with Shadrach translating

Pastors' Conference - The Supremacy of Christ

The Pastors' leadership conference took place during January and was very well attended. Local church leaders gathered in large numbers to hear Pastor Johnny McClaughlin, from Hamilton Road Baptist, Bangor.

Shadrach, the event organiser

commented; *"The reason we organize these conferences is to help ground people with the Bible truth. This is the 10th year of the interdenominational conference. This year's teachings were from the book is Colossians. The teachings have been so relevant because the prob-*

lems which were in the Colossian church are the same as for the churches in Ngoma."

Thank you to all who continue to support these conferences. It is our prayer that we all continue to grow and deepen in our knowledge of our God through His Word.

A Patient Story

I have loved helping the medical and nursing staff over the last few years as they continue to deliver quality care to their patients. It has been a steep learning curve but maybe after 4 visits I am starting to get the hang of some of it at least. There are always daily challenges but it is such a joy to see basic medical care restore more and more Ugandans to good health sometimes in very miraculous ways.

It is hard to pick out any individual cases but I was struck by the story of one young father of four who was admitted in late January in a very poor state. He had been to a few health centres and had some outpatient treatment. He needed admitted as he had an overwhelming infection, a terrible skin affliction and lots of other medical issues. His wife who stayed with him constantly was also expecting their fifth child in a few weeks. For the first few

days after admission he was not able to converse much but slowly and surely he made



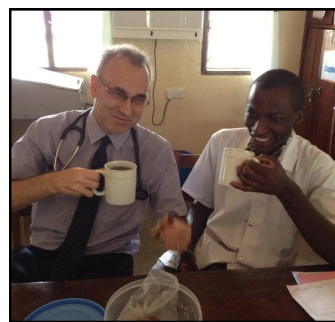
progress with good robust treatment and with careful nursing care and regular physiotherapy he started to come alive. This is when his character started to shine through – and soon he was teaching me to count to five in L'uganda – so I could help him number his ever increasing family! He and his wife seemed very close and I was struck by their determination to follow on with what would be for them a difficult medical journey. On discharge I was nervous that he would not return for on-going treatment as is often the case with patients who have long term conditions. Support and counselling and continual encourage-

ment by our whole team of doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and counsellors obviously paid off as he was back right on time for his follow up appointment and what a joy it was to see him – looking much better, with near complete healing of his extensive skin ulceration and more importantly he was taking his health sustaining medication reliably.

I pray that he continues to stay well.....

Emu, bbiri, ssatu, nnya,taano!

Dr Roy Harper



Dr Roy (left) is a Consultant Physician from South East Trust, N. Ireland. He uses his annual leave volunteering for 6 weeks per year.

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Dr Roy Harper
South East Trust

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Frank is on a Mission

Frank Ssekyewa is the assistant in-charge at OPD and also a senior nurse in the diabetic and eye clinics.

An active member of the mission team for years, he has recently taken on a more active leadership role assisting Shadrach by taking on responsibility for outreach and evangelism in and around the hospital.

Frank's early years in Kampala were chaotic. He slept at home with his grandmother, but during the day he and his friends foraged for food in the

neighbourhood as his family had limited resources to care for him. His education started when a local witchdoctor offered to pay for his school fees because the man had noted that Frank didn't cheat him when sent on errands.

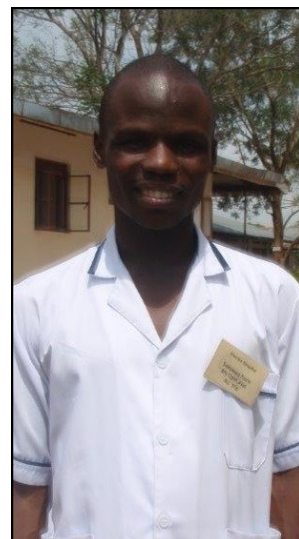
An uncle took Frank to New Hope orphanage (near Kiwoko Hospital) in 1999 at the age of 14. After a year he surrendered his life to Christ. He gave his first sermon when he was 15 years old. 2 young men gave their lives to Christ. He is now an accom-

plished preacher, still trusting in God who has dealt with his fears and given him hope for the future.

At New Hope he completed O-levels and came to Kiwoko to study as a nurse.

Frank's greatest passion is to see people enjoying God and growing in their knowledge of Him. He is a blessing to many in Kiwoko and those who come to OPD seeking help.

Please pray for Frank in his new role as Deputy Mission Team Leader.



Frank Ssekyewa

X-ray, x-ray! Read all about it...



In November we were able to reduce the items on our Equipment Wish List. Friends of Kiwoko United States (FOKUS) partnered with Table Rock Fellowship, Oregon, to purchase a brand new X-Ray machine!

For years we were using a 1980's model machine which was shipped out from the hospital wing of a prison in Northern Ireland. It served us incredibly well but was beginning to show its age. This new Siemens machine is ideal for Kiwoko Hospital and will help us discover and diagnose many illnesses for years to come.

Thank you FOKUS and Table Rock Fellowship!

Commission from Amazon

During the Christmas period, over 200 people clicked the link on our website to get to Amazon. The subsequent purchases **raised over £140 in commission** for Kiwoko Hospital! Many thanks to all who clicked the link.

The link is still there - visit the [Kiwoko Hospital website](#). On the bottom right you will see it. Click that and you'll be taken to the usual Amazon website. Anything you buy could earn up to 10% commission! It seems too easy, but it works!

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Visitors from Kiwoko



The Wilsons

Rory, Denise & Gideon Wilson will be in the UK for April.

They will be speaking and sharing at various venues and look forward to catching up with you. A few highlights include:

- **Nottingham, England** - Friday 3rd April (Good Friday)
Venue: Dr Steve and Lorraine Riley's house;
4 Beaulieu Gardens, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7TL
Starting 12.30 with lunch and chat, followed after lunch by more chat and recent stories from Kiwoko.
If you are coming, please get in contact so that you can be included in lunch calculations. Please spread the word to all interested – you don't have to have actually been to Kiwoko to be interested and welcome!
Please contact Alison Fletcher alisonfletcher07@gmail.com if you are hoping to be along or to get more details.
- **Bangor, Northern Ireland** - Sunday 3rd May.
Venue: St Columbanus' Church Halls, Ballyholme, Bangor.
Starting at 5.30pm. Informal worship, stories from Kiwoko and prayers for Kiwoko and the Wilsons. No need to book – just some along and bring your friends.
- **Friends of Kiwoko Hospital, Northern Ireland**
Another get-together for Friends of Kiwoko Hospital in NI. Details to be confirmed, but will be disseminated via Facebook and the jungle drums in March.

Points for Prayer

Kiwoko Hospital is a Christ centred health facility in rural Uganda.

If you pray, please pray. Here are some prayer points:

- Thanks for God's continued provision. Although we never seem to have too much, we always have just enough in terms of staff, money, equipment, faith....
- (See picture) Eridard Nsubugga will be enthroned as the third Bishop of Luwero Diocese on 17th May. Pray for him, his wife Jane and their children in this new role.
- A new hospital Board is appointed every three years. Pray for the new Board being appointed before Easter and learning to usefully lead the hospital at this strategic level.
- We have several senior staffing gaps for volunteers from abroad – senior nursing; doctors; and finance/administration. Please continue to pray for these.
- For every patient, student, staff member and visitor that they would come into relationship with Jesus.



From right to left:

Retiring Bishop Evans Kisekka;
Bishop-elect Eridard Nsubugga;
Diocesan Secretary Rev Albert
Senkeeto

Thank you for your support!

For more information from Kiwoko Hospital, and for ways to support the work;

please visit our website: www.kiwokohospital.org Together, **'We treat, Jesus heals'**.

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