

Praise the LORD!

Hopital de Guinebor II opened on December 9, 2010. The hospital treated 30 patients on the first day.



The Chadian Staff and Missionaries



Pharmacy Staff



A follower of one of our first in-patients



Patients waiting in outpatients



The Staff in their new uniforms – at the Maternity Dept.

My name shall be great among the Gentiles.....
Malachi 1:11b

Since the founding of CEF and our vision of opening a hospital to reach lost souls for Christ in Chad over eight years ago, there has been one obstacle after another leading to one delay after another. It brought to mind the comment of a former missionary to Chad. He told me, "You will find that serving in Chad will be much harder than in Cameroon. You will meet more resistance. Many missionaries have gone home discouraged." His words have been prophetic. But despite the challenges, and roadblocks (some we believe placed by the Adversary) Hospital de Guinebor opened last week! Thirty patients were seen by our expat and Chadian medical staff the first day—most of them Muslims. See the photo of one of our first in-patients—the lady in black. The chapel service each morning is well attended and the ministry of caring for patients of any ethnic background of social-financial status and demonstrating the love and compassion of Jesus on a day to day basis is finally underway. Our medical team leader, Mark Hotchkin, British surgeon, has recently had a series of illnesses extending over the last several weeks and was unable to participate in the opening day activities December 9. He anticipates being on the job Monday, December 20. During his absence from the hospital, his wife Andrea (our obstetrician/gynecologist), Dr Roy and Jane Jones, Dr Michaela Ziegert (see the Ziegerts' photo and comments), Claire Monks, RN, and our Chadian administrator, Ndilmbaye share the responsibility of supervising our new Chadian medical team of thirty-three workers. The impression so far is that we have some very capable nurses and mid-wives. I am looking forward to attending the official opening of the hospital Jan 13, 2011 at Guinebor II.

It is my pleasure to introduce our new CEF office manager, Kim Jackson. She and husband, Scott are from South Carolina and serve on the CEF board of directors.

We still have much to do as we continue to develop this hospital ministry and to break down barriers that have been in place for many years. We praise the Lord that we already have a very good contact with the Muslim leaders of the area but we expect more thrusts from our Adversary. We appreciate all your prayers and support. We hope that you are also excited that the hospital is up and running and the Truth is being shared. The main message of the Old Testament is trusting and obeying God and it is the same in the New Testament through Jesus Christ and His Great Commission. Our position for 2011 is to continue to trust Him to accomplish His will through us among the various people groups of Chad in Chad that He also loves.

On behalf of the CEF staff and board of directors, we wish you a wonderful and blessed Christmas and New Year.

In Christ,
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Pictures from the Trip to Chad in September 2010



Covered walkways connect the wards and other buildings



Dr. Mark Hotchkin giving Muslim Chiefs a tour of the



The Chief of Guienbor II, his counselor, Mark, Skip, Ward and Bert



The North side of the wall.

All CEF property available for expansion

Meet Dr. Michaela Ziegert.....

I became a Christian as a teenager. None of my direct family members were Christians by then. This was through the testimony of a friend at school. It was not so much what she said but the way she and her family lived for the LORD and served other people in a very loving way. When I realized what life I had missed before missions became very important for me. As I came to the LORD through the love and serving heart of other Christians. I decided to help other people find Jesus in same way, by living and serving others. This was also one of the reasons why I started to study medicine. I wanted to work as a missionary doctor. A long time ago (a few years after I became a Christian) my mother became a Christian also. She is supporting and praying for us every day. No one in my family was a medical doctor or nurse and I was also the first one to study at all. A lot of things were new to me but the LORD always helped me to find a way in new environments. HE also gave me a faithful husband who is willing to follow God's call and spread His word through the world. He is a computer linguist and bible translator at SIL and quite complementary to me. By God's grace we had the opportunity to serve the Kanembu Muslims here in Chad for nearly 2 years now. I learned about GB2 when I was still in Germany even before coming to Chad. I found it to be a great project right away. Even before that I had always dreamt of helping set up a hospital in Africa and I am happy to be apart of it now.



Michaela and her husband,
Carsten

Meet the CEF office manager.....

It is an honor and blessing to serve in the CEF office. It is so exciting to see and to be a part of God's work.

As the New Year approaches, I know that this is just the beginning of what God is going to accomplish in Chad and through CEF.

With Many Blessings,
Kim Jackson

For You, Lord have made me glad through Your work, I will triumph in the works of Your hands.

Psalm 92:4