



LIVINGSTONIA
Hospital Partnership

Partnership News

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Dear Members and Friends,

As we approach the end of our first year I can again echo what we said in the first edition of Partnership News - since the launch in May we have been amazed and delighted by your very generous support which has enabled us to help the David Gordon Memorial Hospital.

What have we done so far?

- Regular quarterly donations to the hospital
- Help towards buying a new ambulance
- A container sent by the Partnership has arrived at DGMH
- Penjani Sichinga, a Clinical Officer, attended the Developing Health course in London.

We invite you to come and hear about the Partnership and the ongoing work and needs at Livingstonia, at our AGM on 10th May 2008.

**Please join us at Belfast Bible College, Dunmurry
10th May 2008
7pm – 9pm**

**Our guest speakers will be Samuel Mayuni and Austin Chirwa who are studying at Belfast Bible College.
They will tell us about life in Livingstonia
We will have a short AGM after their talk.**

We have once again become aware of how difficult it is for the hospital to function without secured funding. One major donor has recently informed the hospital they are no longer able to contribute the regular donation they had been giving – this will leave a huge hole in the finances, and there has been very little time to seek alternative funding. It is likely that this may result in salary cuts for the staff and perhaps some redundancies or cutbacks in services.

The Partnership hopes to be able to fill some of this gap but we will need further regular donors if we are going to sustain increased monthly giving.

This summer Mrs Wonganie Kondwe matron at DGMH will come to London for the Developing Health Course and she will then be in Northern Ireland for three weeks from 12th July. If you would like her to speak at your Church, or other group, this can be arranged.

Throughout the year we have had opportunity to speak about the work of the Partnership – we welcome this, and would be happy to speak to any group. Please contact the Secretary if you would like a speaker for your meeting.

Thank you for your vital support over this first year. Regular giving has enabled us to contribute reliable, quarterly donations, and one off donations have enabled us to support various projects. Your interest and prayers for the work are invaluable. We thank you sincerely and encourage you to help us continue the work. There is still much more that needs to be done. Over the next few months we will be continuing to raise awareness about the needs of the David Gordon Memorial Hospital and the Malawian people who live on so little and yet can still smile.

Do come to the AGM to hear more of life in Livingstonia and see how you can be more involved with the Livingstonia Hospital Partnership.

Thank you,

Maureen Stevenson
Chairperson

**LHP – AGM
10th May 2008
Belfast Bible
College
Dunmurry**

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