



McAlhaney Missions Newsletter

Serving Christ through medicine and teaching in Egbe, Nigeria

One Day at a Time

May 2012

Support Update

God is good and He continues to provide what we need when we need it. We trust that over the coming months we will reach 100% support. For those who have not checked out our blog recently, below is the status of our financial support.

- **One-Time Setup/Transport, etc: 100%**
 - Need \$20,683
 - Received/Promised \$20,683
- **Monthly Support/Ministry: 55%**
 - Need \$5,336
 - Receiving/Promised \$2,963

We'd love to take the time to share in person, by phone, by email, or by Skype our heart for this ministry to which God has called us. Our God is a missionary God and there have always been those who are sent and those who send - God calls both.

We are called to go but we need people to send us. You can be a sender by praying and by giving. We need your intercessory prayers to back us up as we serve our Father. If God has called you to give, we hope you'll support us as we minister in Egbe through medicine and teaching.

Please pray about your decision and let us know how God leads. If you feel led to join us by prayer or financially, let us know - tim.mcalhaney@sim.org / 817-791-5614.

You may begin giving now by mail or [online](#). See the "How to Join Us" section to the right for details. Or simply make a promise that we can record and convey to SIM.

What's Happening in Egbe

The hospital has been around since 1952 and is in need of much repair. There are currently four missionaries on site helping with the revitalization. Mark and Abby Anderson have been working for just over a year and were recently joined by William King and Dr. Laura Smelter. William is helping Mark with construction and Laura has stepped in as medical director.

The long-term plans include rebuilding and repairing hospital buildings and houses on the compound. The team is currently working on houses and as God provides material and manpower they will tackle major work on the hospital this year.



Just a day in April!

How to Join Us

Partner with us through the [secure SIM link](#), at www.mcalhaney.com, or by mail:

- SIM USA
P.O. Box 7900
Charlotte, NC 28241
- Place "McAlhaney" and our Missionary ID (013141) in the memo field

Upcoming Events

- June 12-16 - Tim attends Acton University in Grand Rapids
- June 28-July 1 - Maureen attends ACS Review Course in Chicago
- June 23 - Fighting ALS with Jay 5k in San Antonio



Meanwhile, life goes on with the reality that electricity and water are not always in abundance. There is little one can do about electricity - beyond having a generator and a 12-volt system. Three bore holes supply the compound with water but the long-term goal is to tap into the existing dam. There are actually three dams in Egbe - one is for the hospital compound, one for the city, and the other is a backup for the first two. The hospital dam has a leak, a non functioning pump, and the piping connection to the compound may or may not be functioning.

So, in mid-March the dam project began. Water was drained, the reservoir dredged, and repairs begun. Between teams from the US and volunteers from the community work is proceeding. Perhaps in time water will no longer be an issue!

Mark and Abby have a nice blog in case you'd like to keep track of the work:

<http://the2oyinbos.wordpress.com>



Reservoir



Drained Reservoir

Luke and Kate . . .

Wow! The last three months have been fun, busy, and tiring!

Kate (born 2/24) is an amazing blessing. Her little personality is starting to show itself - she can be both sweet and a little demanding. We thank God daily for her safe delivery - she was breech with the cord wrapped around her neck. She loves to smile and giggle.

Luke just loves his little sister. He often comments: "She's so cute!" There is some competition for attention but for the most part he is adjusting well to being a big brother. Luke continues to amaze us with his vocabulary and is currently hooked on Bob the Builder and Psalty's Kid's Praise.

Pray that we can be the best parents possible for these little blessings!



Smile!

Praises, Prayer Requests, Announcements

Please keep us in your prayers and lift up praise to the Father for all that He has and is doing in our lives:

- *Praise* - Luke and Kate are healthy and amazing!
- *Praise* - **MedSend** has approved the grant to pay Maureen's medical school loans while she is on the mission field. They raise funds to help medical professionals do missions without the burden of school loans - www.medsend.org
- *Praise* - Presentation at our home church on Feb 1 - MacArthur Blvd Baptist Church - www.mbbcirving.org - went well.
- *Prayer* - Wisdom in planning for the next year.
- *Prayer* - For Maureen as she studies to retake the Oral Board Exam.
- *Prayer* - That our house sells - we put it back on the market mid-May.
- *Website Announcement* - We launched a new version in February. For the moment, www.mcalhaney.com is being redirected to our new WordPress blog.

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