

PROVIDING SUSTAINABLE HEALTH CARE TO THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH SUDAN

SEASON OF SHARING

By: Joseph Dumba, MD, Vice President

What a beautiful winter weather to prepare ourselves to welcome the birth of Christ in the month of December. To beat the first snow storm, most people are busy searching for the best Christmas tree, blinking lights, and glittering ornaments to decorate their homes to bring warmth to a birthday festival like no other. Additionally, to fulfill the Christmas magic little children will task parents and adults to mail their wish list to Santa. This season of sharing and giving is underscored with gathering on Christmas Day around the Christmas tree with our loved ones to open and exchange gifts delivered secretly by Santa. We should be thankful for the abundance to share and security to celebrate this momentous day with our loved ones.

Unfortunately, this Christmas millions of South Sudanese refugees approximately 9,000 miles across the Atlantic Ocean will go to bed on a cup of beans. In some instances, those sick with malaria will sleep with unmedicated fever because they cannot afford two pills of Tylenol. The South Sudanese refugees will not enjoy relative peace and food security that comes with living in their country. Having lost all material possessions, the refugees will be celebrating their Christmas under a tree or a rugged canvas shelter in the mosquito infested Nile River valley. In this period of darkness, The Healing Kadi clinic staff who are also refugees continue to shine light in the world by treating and caring for the sick refugees.

As you celebrate this holiday season with family and friends, please say a prayer for the South Sudanese refugees. If you find it in your heart, also consider supporting The Healing Kadi Foundation. We are currently facing shortage of medicine especially for children ailments. Join us in saving lives and giving hope to the refugees. "And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need" (Hebrews 13: 16).

Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!



Children at the Refugee Camp Waving to The Healing Kadi Foundation Doctors



Children at the Refugee Camp

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REFUGEE CAMP OUTPATIENT CLINIC UPDATE

By: Lo'diong Jackson Dumo, MD, Medical Director

Greetings from the South Sudanese refugees in Moyo, Uganda. My fellow refugees and I would like to thank you for your prayers and financial sacrifices to help The Healing Kadi Foundation continue to delivery health care to the refugees through its outpatient clinic.

The clinic became operational at the refugee camps on October 23, 2017, after we evacuated from Kajo Keji, South Sudan due to the on-going civil war. The clinic staff and I are serving the refugees in Zone 3 of East Palorinya Refugee Settlement Camp in northern Uganda, Moyo District. This camp is home to approximately 13,956 South Sudanese. However, more than half of our patients travel over 3 miles from other camps to seek medical services at our outpatient clinic. The high demand of our services is mainly due to our quality of care and familiarity with the patient population in Kajo Keji, South Sudan.

In the first month of operation, October 23 to November 24, 2017, we treated 3,530 patients; at least 170 patients per day. The clinic is open five days a week including public holidays. The workload is challenging for the two doctors and their support staff; however, it is worth it since we not only save lives but also give hope to our fellow refugees. Most of the medical cases that we treat are related to malaria (32%) and respiratory tract infections (21%). Children under the age of 5 years old make up 31% of the malaria cases. Your donations were instrumental in treating these refugees.

I would also like to introduce you to new friends to The Healing Kadi Foundation from the Comboni missionaries of Kajo Keji, South Sudan. Our new friends, Brother Erich Fischnaller and Father Louis Okot, have played an instrumental role in facilitating our movement to deliver medical services to the refugees. In October 2017, our friends kindly offered The Healing Kadi Foundation use of their double cab Toyota vehicle to relieve our transportation need. This in-kind donation is significant given the fact that The Healing Kadi Foundation does not currently own a vehicle. Brother Fischnaller and Father Okot also donated one month's worth of medicine for treating the refugees.

Thank you all for your prayers and financial sacrifices. May God bless you all abundantly! Have a great Holiday season and New Year.



Patients at The Healing Kadi Foundation Clinic



Dr. Sule and Jackson



Brother Fischnaller, Dr. Jackson, and Children with the Vehicle Lent to The Healing Kadi Foundation



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UPCOMING EVENTS





MEET OUR BOARD MEMBERS

By: Nathalie Hathaway, Executive Director

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