BRINGING HEALTH. SPREADING HOPE.

# Tanzania Health PARTNERSHIP



## Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

**FROM ALL OF US AT**

**Tanzania Health Partnership**

*As we celebrate the hope, joy and love that Christmas brings, we're grateful for all the ways your support helps carry the spirit of the season every day to families throughout Tanzania.*



*The NICU gives 10-12 babies/week the extra care they need for a healthier start to life.*



*Surgical procedures are up 18% this year, with nearly 6,000 surgeries performed.*





*DCMC treats 7,800 patients/month; 97% express high satisfaction with the care they receive.*

*Thank you for being part of our mission and for bringing health, hope and healing to so many people in Tanzania. It matters every day.*



## Gratitude and Christmas Greetings from Tanzania

"At DCMC, we see your generosity in the care we can offer and the hope we can share with patients and their families. This Christmas, I want you to know how much your friendship means to us. Thank you for believing in our mission and supporting us through Tanzania Health Partnership. Though we are far apart, your kindness is felt here every day. From all of us at DCMC, may God bless you and your loved ones with a joyful Christmas and peace and good health in the New Year."

**– CPA Pauline Mtunda, DCMC Executive Director**



Fall 2026

## Your support will help DCMC care for more people

DCMC strategically plans to expand these patient services and spaces in 2027:

- Emergency room
- Intensive care
- Physical therapy
- Eye clinic

In addition, the following critical equipment is urgently needed:

- Ultrasound machine
- Surgery monitors
- Dental handpieces
- Steam sterilizer



If you'd like to help with any of the above, we'd love to talk: info@tanzaniahealthpartnership.org or (763) 231-2954

*Gifts of every size help save lives!*



*Long lines of patients are often showing up as early as dawn.*



*DCMC is expanding its laundry and sterile services building to maintain high cleanliness and infection control standards as they care for more patients.*

# DCMC faces crushing demand for care

**TANZANIA IS EXPERIENCING A POPULATION BOOM,** and at DCMC the impact is being felt acutely in the hospital's overflowing waiting rooms, its increasing numbers of emergency cases and surgeries — especially for pregnant women — and the growing challenges to keep medications and supplies well-stocked.

*"There are days when we worry that we won't have enough beds for everyone," says DCMC Director Pauline Mtunda.*

Thousands of patients are benefiting from your continued generosity



*DCMC's new CT scanner, air-freighted with your support, has been a game-changing update for patient care and diagnostics.*

To better serve the influx of patients, DCMC is strategically expanding its spaces and services. In this complex time of growth, your gifts are a valued resource making it possible for DCMC to:

- construct new buildings
- purchase badly needed equipment
- add specialist services
- provide trainings for dozens of staff
- hire more nurses and doctors

Thank You!



*The Dental Clinic received 4 new dental chairs and 15 handpieces, thanks to grants from Global Health Ministries.*



*With your support, DCMC's pharmacy serves 60,000+ patients per year and is able to maintain a well-stocked supply of medications.*



*Through rural school outreach, DCMC's Eye Clinic identifies vision concerns early and provides advanced care when needed.*

*In a recent study of primary school students in Tanzania, **11.2% had reduced or impaired vision** – highlighting the importance of early detection and access to care*

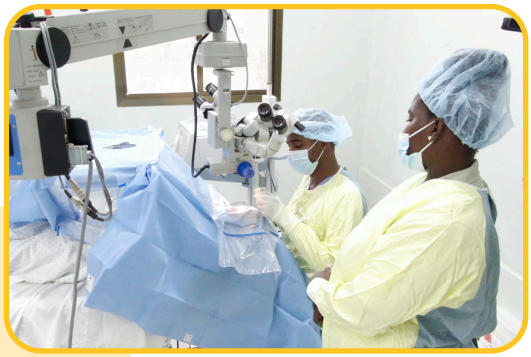
# Pediatric Eye Care Now Available at DCMC

**As one of only two pediatric ophthalmologists in the Dodoma region,** DCMC's Eye Clinic Director Dr. Fransisco Msonge, MD, provides sight-saving care to dozens of children every month. Medical teams from DCMC and many other health facilities in the region regularly refer children to him for help with vision and eye health challenges. Each year, Dr. Fransisco and his team also screen hundreds of school children in rural communities where eye care is non-existent.

"Children's eye care is very underserved in Tanzania, and poor vision affects school performance, job opportunities and family relationships," says Dr. Fransisco. "Helping children see better is one of the most important things I feel I can do as a specialist."



*The most common eye concerns for children are refractive errors and eye infections.*



*Dr. Fransisco regularly performs eye surgeries on both adult and pediatric patients.*

Dr. Fransisco completed a pediatric ophthalmology fellowship at the Eye Foundation Hospital in Nigeria, funded by Tanzania Health Partnership's Flatt Scholarship Fund. To support advanced education for more DCMC staff and professionals like Dr. Fransisco, go to tanzaniahealthpartnership.org/give

THANK YOU!

## Why I Give

"I started my journey with Tanzania Health Partnership as eyes, ears, and hands on the ground in 2003-2004 before any bricks were laid. Now, 24 years later, as a medical physician myself, I am struck by the extraordinary volume of patients cared for each day and each year at DCMC – remarkable by U.S. benchmarks. My husband and I are inspired by the thoughtful, purposeful way Tanzania Health Partnership and DCMC continue to grow and invest in its people and mission, and we want to support that work in a meaningful way. We give because it matters – not only today, but for generations to come.

– Dr. Karin and Brant Gilkison, Medina, MN

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# Thank You for Caring Across the Miles

This year, your gifts have provided thousands of Tanzanian families with trusted, compassionate care at Dodoma Christian Medical Center, from welcoming new babies and caring for chronic illnesses, to providing life-saving surgeries, reliable medications and – every day – a safe, trusted place for weary parents to know their child is being treated with care.

**In our world of needs, thank you for investing in the healing work of DCMC. Your support is saving lives.**

*With deep gratitude,*
Anne Hussian, Executive Director







## Make Your Impact Today

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