



# MESSENGER

## MEDICAL MISSION INTERNATIONAL

### MMI Opens Desperately Needed Medical Clinic in Mozambique

*Pictured below: Our new Medical clinic in Mozambique is providing modern medical care to women and saving lives!*



New maternity ward.

Our MMI Medical Clinic is situated along the beautiful coast line of Inhambane province. Although the area is probably better known for its natural beauty, it is also in desperate need of medical care and especially maternity care. The previous maternity facility was made from bamboo and leaves and was blown over during a storm. The lack of hygiene, lack of staff and medicines were constant problems. There was no electricity or running water. Before the clinic there was no medical help or medicine available for the quiet kind people of this village unless they traveled to the nearest hospital which is 80 miles away. Many women and babies died of illnesses and infections that could have been treated successfully. MMI would like to share the story of Jamila. In

rural parts of Africa many women have babies on their own at home; but Jamila's husband brought her to our clinic because she was in horrible pain. It turned out that her baby was breach and the baby was born with a respiratory infection. If it had not been for MMI's new clinic both mother and baby probably would have died. The new maternity ward includes a dispensary, 5 bed wards, first stage delivery rooms, 3 consultancy rooms, dentistry facilities and waiting areas for the patients. Although the maternity ward has just opened the waiting room has a constant flow of patients. MMI



Donated medical supplies

would like to thank our kind contributors in supporting our life-saving efforts. Through your generous donations MMI can provide vital medical help in impoverished areas of the world.

### MMI Saves 156,756 Children From Deadly Parasite Infections

MMI provided 301,512 anti-parasite tablets and Vitamin A for the treatment of 150,756 needy children. These life-saving medicines and vitamins are one of the easiest and most cost-effective ways



Doctor giving Vitamin A and parasite tablets to parents of young children.

that MMI can promote health in poor third world countries. When we distribute medicines to treat a family for parasitic infections and preventable blindness, we are also able to teach them about malaria prevention and screen them for other serious diseases. In this way, we're providing long-term solutions to health care in a community, and also taking care of children's immediate needs. Our successful program would not be possible without the donations of our compassionate contributors, like you. With your support we continue to expand our programmes to help the most impoverished children of the world.



## MMI's Medical, Feeding and Relief Programs in East Africa

MMI provides life-saving humanitarian aid to East Africa which is distributed in three countries – Djibouti, Somalia and Somaliland. Mosquito nets and clothing were issued to internally displaced people in Djibouti and refugees from Somalia who fled to Djibouti. Other critically needed aid included cribs, sewing machines and wheelchairs which were distributed in Somalia and Somaliland.

The local team distributed several wheelchairs in Hargeisa. One recipient, 12 year old Zakaria, was paralyzed by polio and has never walked. Today, because of his wheelchair he can attend school – an activity he was unable to do as a result of his disability. Many people are suffering and they are grateful to receive help from the relief provided by MMI. Though the local team faces difficulty in distributing to remote locations, they are committed to serving the hundreds of needy people across the region.

MMI is committed to its mission to meet needs worldwide. As the MMI relief efforts moves ahead, we recognize the increasing needs in rural communities and refugee camps for people who are internally displaced. We are committed to our humanitarian efforts in East Africa and around the world.

**Remember MMI in your Will! Your gift will continue to make a difference in the lives of children for years to come. Be a lasting part of this legacy of health, healing, and hope.**

## MMI Provides “Mobile Medical Clinic” For Zimbabwe Children



MMI donated ambulance.

MMI provided a fully medically equipped Mobile Clinic to the people of Zimbabwe. The mobile clinic saves the lives of many rural and impoverished children and their families. It will provide basic health services to thousands of poor, vulnerable children who now live more than 20km from any health facility. In addition to improving access to life-saving health care, the Medical Mobile Clinic will serve as an ambulance and provide transportation to health services.

The medical vehicle will complement the humanitarian assistance that MMI currently provides. The Mobile Clinic will help in arresting the spread of cholera, Malaria and other diseases common to Zimbabwe.

It is planned that our mobile clinic will be dispatched into the field once every quarter for rural outreaches and once every month for urban high-density residential outreaches. During the week the ambulance will provide local free medical services to those who otherwise would go untreated due to lack of accessibility or affordability.



Local doctor donates his time to the MMI Mobile Clinic.



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