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THE GARY S. HOLMES GENERAL HOSPITAL



*Dennis Dease*

The Ruth Gaylord Hospital will celebrate its 10th anniversary on Saturday, February 18, 2023. Since there has been such growth and expansion in this past decade, we plan to formally rename the hospital, **The Gary S. Holmes General Hospital**, after the benefactor who drove so much of it.

The general hospital now offers a broad array of services including inpatient, outpatient and emergency care services, in addition to many specialty services. **The Ruth Gaylord Institute for Maternal and Pediatric Care** will remain foremost among those services – our core resource. Last year the hospital delivered 472 babies. Each of the new moms had completed by time of delivery our required prenatal care.

Since the hospital has grown dramatically in the decade since its opening on March 21, 2013, you might want to visit the hospital’s website – [ruthgaylordhospital.org](http://ruthgaylordhospital.org) – and review the panoply of services and resources now available. The hospital now has a staff of 100, fifty fulltime and fifty parttime.

In the year 2021 the hospital provided for over 46,000 patient visits. The projection for this year is 48,500.

Please check out the patient photos and captions in this issue, our current organization chart (inside), as well as the list of the hospital’s current priority needs.

Please know how deeply appreciative we are of the generous role you have played in providing high quality medical care to our East African sisters and brothers! Be assured that they and I shall never forget what you have done for us.

Gratefully,

Dennis Dease 

TO VISIT THE HOSPITAL’S WEBSITE, scan the QR code.

[ruthgaylordhospital.org](http://ruthgaylordhospital.org)



stories

FROM THE RUTH GAYLORD



▲ Medication being dispensed for 2-year old Michelle Yiga who had been brought in with difficulty breathing, fevers and flu. She was diagnosed with upper respiratory tract infection and bacteremia.



▲ This 34 year old came in with persistent joint pain, feeling feverish and a headache. He was diagnosed with malaria and put on anti-malarial medication.

MORE STORIES INSIDE ►

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▲ Four year old Skyler being managed for dental caries.



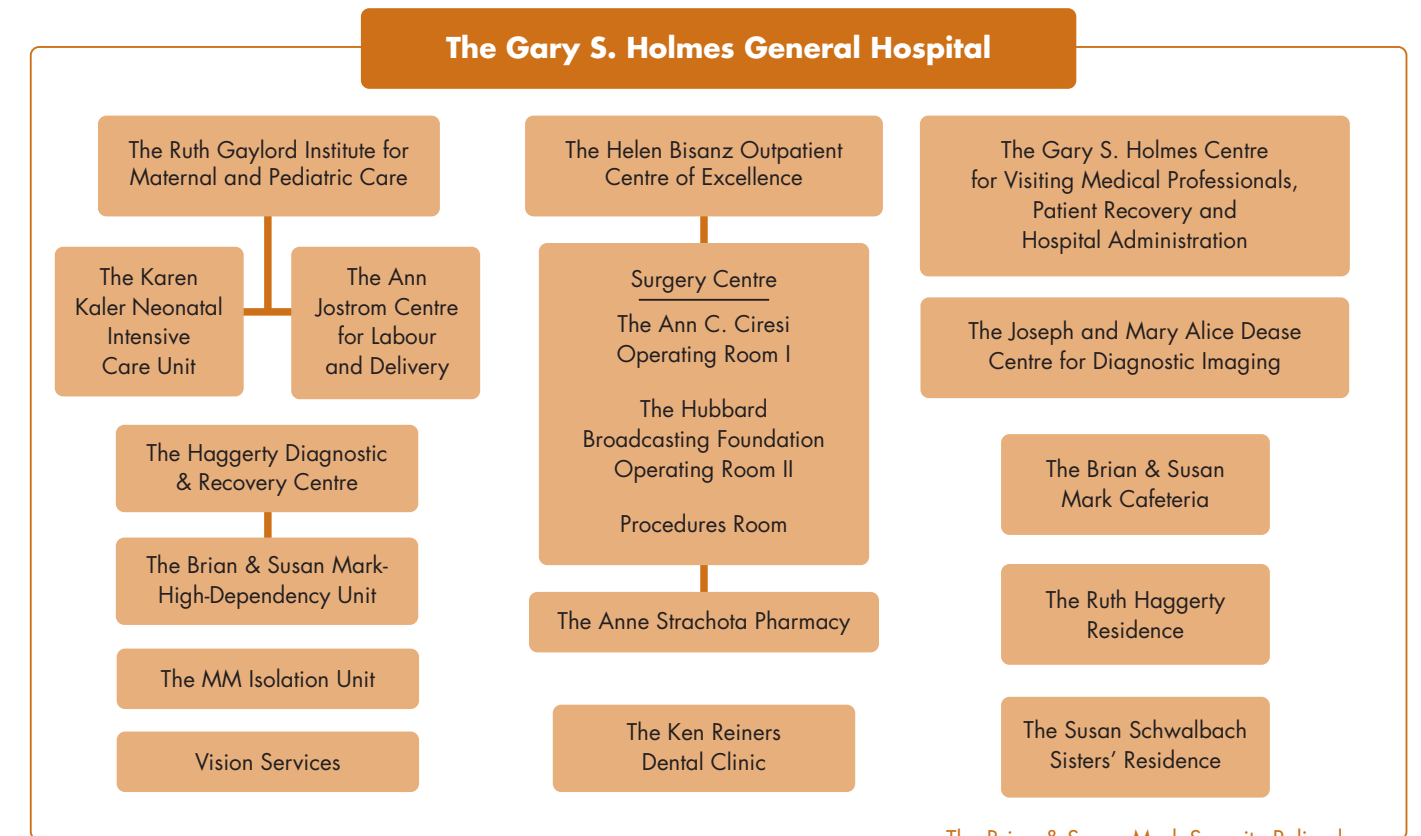
▲ Ten year old Raymond receiving Artesunate intravenously as treatment for malaria. He was also treated for peptic ulcers.



▲ Midwife Olivious Amutuhaire administering an oral rota virus vaccine.



▲ The 28 year old Tabitha was delivered by elective c-section due to two previous scars, delivering a healthy baby girl weighing 6.17 lbs.



The Brian & Susan Mark Security Palisade

## THE JOHN & SUE MORRISON GARDENS

- A Residential Community

Thomas & Susan Bisanz Residence

Dennis & Megan Doyle Residence

Gary S. Holmes Residence

The John & Sue Morrison Security Palisade



▲ A preterm neonate born 19 days ago, with current birth weight of 2.8 lbs brought in for review by pediatrician. The baby is progressing well.



▲ This 27-year-old was getting an ultrasound scan on a routine antenatal care visit. At 19 weeks of pregnancy, everything was going on well.

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

GALATIANS 6:9-10



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RUTH GAYLORD HOSPITAL NEEDS 2022-2023

IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

CPAPS (2)..... \$13,000

We already have two of them in the Neonatal ICU and they have performed some wonders. Unfortunately, we have had to refer some babies elsewhere whenever those two are occupied. A CPAP is used in spontaneously breathing premature infants with respiratory distress and involves delivering heated and humidified gas to the baby at a set pressure, which keeps the airway open and prevents airway obstruction.

Power Stabilizer..... \$16,232

3-Phase, 54kva. This will stabilize the 3-phase power, mostly by stepping it down to 240 volts that is safe for use.

Hospital Land Lease Extension to 99 years ..... \$60,000

Extension of intercom to all the new structures ..... \$7,963

Incubator for Culture and Sensitivity ..... \$1,667

A culture is a test to find germs (such as bacteria or a fungus) that can cause an infection. A sensitivity test checks to see what kind of medicine, such as an antibiotic, will work best to treat the illness or infection.

Laparoscopy Equipment ..... \$59,000

A surgical procedure in which a fiber-optic instrument is inserted through the abdominal wall to view the organs in the abdomen or permit small-scale surgery.

Patient Monitors (1 HDU; 3 NICU; 2 OPD)..... \$10,435

Security Cameras for Apartment Residences ..... \$12,000



▲ Leased area comprising the seven hospital buildings plus the three residential apartment buildings.

Our thanks and appreciation for your generosity.

No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:18

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