



## Help Build the Maternity Ward!

**Only \$7,500 Needed to  
Complete the Building**

### The Need:

The Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Ghana (EPC) has identified the need for a maternity ward at their Dzemeni Medical Clinic near Ho. A dedicated ward will serve more women, decongest the outpatient area, reduce the possibility of infection, decrease mortality rates, and create an environment conducive to healing. The care that a mother receives during pregnancy, delivery, and after birth is vital to the survival and well-being of both mother and child, so the ward will ensure women receive scans and malaria treatment as well as minor necessary surgeries. Because perinatal and maternal mortality is a serious problem in Ghana, **the new maternity ward will save the lives of infants and mothers and improve health for thousands in Dzemeni and beyond for decades to come.**

### About The Dzemeni Medical Clinic:

The Dzemeni Medical Clinic is located west of Ho and east of Lake Volta in Ghana, West Africa. It is run by the EPC of Ghana and provides essential health services to anyone in need in that region. It is the second largest facility in the district. Dzemeni has a population of about 46,600 inhabitants, with a little more than half being women. About 58% of the clients are farmers and the rest are formal workers, such as teachers, health workers, and local government workers. The clinic provides primary and secondary health care for conditions such as malaria, diarrhea, upper respiratory tract infections, and skin infections.

### PCUSA Connection:

PCUSA has an experienced missionary liaison in Ghana, Rev. Josh Heikkila. Josh has helped many American churches build partnerships such as this one, and he knows how to ensure that funds raised here will be used there as specified and with proper reporting on a regular basis.



*Current Maternity Ward*

**A \$40,000 Thank Offering grant from Presbyterian Women of PCUSA brings our total raised to \$104,337 of the needed \$113,500. We need to raise \$7,500 to complete construction!** We have an opportunity to come alongside our brothers and sisters in Ghana so that they can serve their community for decades to come at an established clinic that is functioning well and simply needs to expand. Today, 3-4 women come to Dzemeni Medical Clinic to deliver every day in one room and recuperate in another, mother and infant in the same small bed, all new mothers together in one room, for one day, before they must make room for the new mothers and infants. The new maternity ward will have 20 beds, so that more expectant mothers can come to safely deliver and receive care. Your support of the new ward will truly reflect what Jesus said in Matthew 25:40, **“Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me.”**

### Construction has begun:



### Invitation:

The Ghana Maternity Ward Partnership (GMWP) invites churches, foundations, individuals and groups to complete funding either via a mission grant or a gift from their church or a donation to the GMWP.

**Donations can be mailed to:** Ghana Maternity Ward Partnership, First Presbyterian Church, 2475 Easton Turnpike, Fairfield, CT 06825. Make your check to “First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield” with the memo “Ghana Maternity Ward Partnership.”

***Thank you!***