Journey of Hope

"It is God who healed my baby through the hands of Tenwek Hospital"

When baby Atabo was born, her mother, Mama Imana, noticed something concerning – Atabo's head was swollen on one side, with a sac-like protrusion from her forehead. Living in a remote village in Turkana County, Mama Imana faced a dilemma with limited medical resources. She sought help at the nearby dispensary, and local staff contacted the Kenya Red Cross for assistance. Atabo was taken to Kapsowar Hospital, where specialists diagnosed Atabo with the rare encephalocele condition.

Realizing the severity of Atabo's condition, medical experts recommended Tenwek Hospital for treatment. Mama Imana embarked on a challenging 170-mile journey accompanied by her brother as an interpreter.

Upon arriving at Tenwek Hospital, Mama Imana felt a wave of relief as friendly and expert staff welcomed their family and quickly set to work, performing a craniotomy to address Atabo's condition. Throughout it all, the hospital staff, especially the chaplaincy care, provided Mama Imana invaluable support, prayer and encouragement.

Atabo did well during the surgery and continues to heal, while her mother has found comfort in knowing that her child is receiving the best possible neurosurgical care in East Africa.

Baby Atabo's future is promising. Mama Imana expresses gratitude to Tenwek staff for providing her child with a chance for a healthier life. "It is God who healed my baby through the hands of Tenwek Hospital."

Despite intense challenges faced by families like Atabo's throughout rural Kenya, her story is a reminder that Tenwek stands as a beacon of hope and healing for many.







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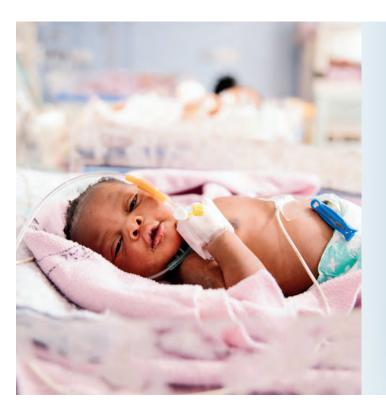


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YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT IMPACTING LIVES



Friends of Tenwek is growing an actively-engaged global community to empower Tenwek Hospital – through capacity-building, financial resources, and spiritual support.

Thanks to your generosity, FOT raised \$1.23 million in 2023, amounting total support for Tenwek to \$7.1 million since incorporation in 2012. Read below everything Tenwek was able to accomplish in 2023 thanks to you!

2023 BY THE NUMBERS

19,893

INPATIENTS

192,633

OUTPATIENTS

1,191

TENWEK STAFF

2,208

ENDOSCOPY PROCEDURES

280

U.S. VOLUNTEERS

4,331

SURGERIES

121

NURSING STUDENTS

307

WHEELCHAIRS DISTRIBUTED

27

RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS

946

RECORDED SALVATIONS

568

BIBLES DISTRIBUTED

36

CHAPLAINCY STUDENTS

BIG WINS

OF 2023



Construction of the largest cardiothoracic center in sub-saharan Africa continues – target completion date September 2024, with October grand opening.



The School of Health Sciences introduced critical care nursing training programs and completed construction of additional classrooms and a new library.





Accident & Emergency Building completed, tripling the Casualty square footage and adding new administrative office space to the top floor.



With the only CT scanner in a 120+ mile radius, the radiology department has doubled number of scans in the last 5 years.



Continued growth at the School of Chaplaincy, with accreditation of the school and introduction of certificate and diploma level courses.

