

# Catholic Diocese Of Makurdi

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Dear Pfr. Glaser.

## Request for Assistance to Complete Two Clinic Wards

Greetings from the Catholic Diocese of Makurdi!

We are writing in response to your request, through Pfr Vincent Jijingi, for more information on the clinic project in Makurdi Diocese. Below are details about the project.

#### **Project Title:**

St. Peter Basic Health Clinic, Aondona, Benue State, central Nigeria

### Location of Project:

The project is located in Aondona village on the eastern part of Gwer West Local Government Area in Benue State, central Nigeria, West Africa.

## Objective of Project:

The aim of this project is to provide maternity services for pregnant women and treatment of villagers for the common diseases in this area, such as hypertension, diabetes, hepatitis B, typhoid and malaria fevers. Common diseases pose a major challenge to this community because this is a remote place with the nearest health clinic located in Naka town, about fifty kilometers away. And with the long distance and bad road network, it takes over two hours on motor bike to get health assistance from the nearest town of Naka which has one health facility. And in emergency cases, very often lives are lost before reaching Naka town.

The clinic also aims at creating better awareness of health problems common in this area through health education on how to prevent contacting them: and thereby improving health and wellbeing among the beneficiaries.

The main beneficiaries of this project are over 40.000 people living within Aondona village and its environs. A breakdown of this figure according to latest census includes 22,679 female (women and girls) and 17.321 male (men and boys)

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#### Our Need

So far the Catholic Diocese of Makurdi has constructed one block at the clinic, which houses the pharmacy, physician consultation room, and laboratory for running tests and diagnosis. The integrated health system of the Catholic Diocese of Makurdi has also provided a medical doctor, a pharmacist, two trained nurses and one medical technologist at the clinic. Attached to this letter are pictures of the official opening of the clinic last year by Bishop Wilfred C. Anagbe, cmf.

Our immediate need is to construct two additional blocks, which will accommodate male and female patients admitted at the health clinic. Currently, because of lack of accommodation the clinic is not able to admit even patients with serious conditions that demand close monitoring. We are, therefore, seeking assistance to build female and male wards and provide fifty beds that will take separate total capacity of 25 patients at a time.

The total cost of constructing two clinic wards is about 32,450 Euro, but we are requesting for 14,200 Euro as we have in stock some donation of sharp sand, burnt bricks, and gravel from the local community towards building the wards.

Thanks for your interest in Makurdi Diocese. May the good Lord continue to bless your ministry with success.

Sincerely yours in Christ.

+Most Rev. Wilfred C. Anagbe, c

Bishop of Makurdi Diocese

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