

# Living Our Mission in Tanzania



*"An exciting thing about working here is how very much can be accomplished and so many can be helped with only a modest investment," said Robert Kasworm, CHI Health Tanzania Director and full-time resident at Machame.*





Since 2001, CHI Health has been a ministry partner with the Machame Lutheran Hospital in Tanzania, east Africa. This desperately impoverished area is located at the base of Mt. Kilimanjaro.

Machame Lutheran Hospital serves the region with a full-service hospital, pharmacy, hospice outreach, clinics, Clinical Officer school and the more recently established School of Nursing.

### **Making a Difference Together**

CHI Health has partnered with the Northern Lutheran Diocese in Tanzania on these major projects – all funded by donations, not CHI operating funds:

- **2005 – Dispensary** providing medicines to 16 rural clinics
- **2007 – Houses for Health** (dry, safe homes for more than 138 chronically ill Tanzanians)
- **2008 – Machame Orthopedic Center**  
Orthopedic wards and physical therapy department completed in 2009
- **2010 – Machame School of Nursing**  
(dorms in 2010, classrooms, library, skills lab in 2011, dining/multipurpose hall in 2013, road paving and drainage project in 2014)
- **2012 – Sponsorship program** for Machame School of Nursing students
  - » 80 of 210 nursing graduates in five graduating classes received partial or full scholarships from CHI Health, churches or other sponsors
  - » 15 sponsored students have graduated from the Clinical Officer program at Machame Health Training Institute
- **2015 – Dedicated Orthopedic minor theater**
- **2017 – Groundbreaking for second classroom block and administrative wing**

In addition, containers of surplus goods and equipment were sent in 2003, 2007, 2014 and 2018.

*Together we are transforming lives and improving health around the world.*



### **Machame Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing**

Machame has operated a Clinical Officer Training School for 40 years and understands how to run a successful education program. The School of Nursing, launched in 2010, began humbly and “makes do” with less-than-ideal facilities as funds are raised and buildings slowly take shape. While student fees make the school operationally self-sufficient, the building and school require outside support.



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