

"AFRICA, KEEP THE LAMP OF HOSPITALITY ALIGHT "

HCAF — FICHA N°4. AUGUST 2016



Historical:

In December 1966, at the request of Mons, Francis Carroll, Apostolic Nuncio in Monrovia, the Hospitallers came to this city to take charge of the orphanage "Antoinette Tubman" ruled at that time by a Committee whose President was Mrs. Antonietta Tubman, wife of the Presidents of the country at that time, Mr Tumban. Upon arrival the 13th of the month, installed temporarily in the House of the brothers of San Juan de Dios, until December 26 of the same year until the Center was entrusted to them for. This day the community was canonically installed

In 1981 the orphaned children were transferred to the "SOS Village" governed by the Ministry of health and social services, and children with mental disabilities were collected in a charity called "Chesher Home" institution.

From this moment the sisters oriented mission rehabilitation of physical handicapped children in response to the urgency in the country in the absence of any facility for the care of these children. It is a comprehensive service, residential character

In 1982, Mons Michael Francis, Archbishop of Monrovia urged the sisters that were also "Bishop Collins", in Logan Town Clinic Manager.

Due to the disadvantages of distance which meant the transfer of children to the hospital in 1985 it was decided to build one new Centre near the capital and in December 1988, that change was made.

In the last days of the year 1989 Golf attempt of State charged many victims. With insecurity, the curfew is installed in some provinces of the country.

The first months of the year 1990 the national situation takes some dimensions of much insecurity. On the 1st of June of 1990, sisters, children and personal collaborator moved them to the hospital of St. John of God.

The sisters leave the country on August 11, 1990 leaving the children in a liberated zone. The activity of the clinic continued, the doctors without borders together with the personal native.

On 13 August 1991 the two sisters return and again resume the activity of the Center on 25 September. Again on October 15, 1992 the war started, they leave again the Centre taking refuge at the Hospital of the St. John of God as they did in June 1990.

In 1994 Mons Michael Francis asks the sisters to leave the clinic in Logan Town and take charge of the recently built by the diocese together with the rehabilitation center in the area of Pipeline, in Paynesville.

The rehabilitation centre accommodates 40 children internally and has gym, Department of physiotherapy and orthopaedic workshop where prostheses are made.

The rehabilitation centers activity is suspended in the year 2010. Continuous activity in the clinic.

In 2015 the mission was affected by the crisis of Ebola. They need to stop the activity and the sisters left the country again in 2016.



The Sisters who form the Community

1 Florens

2 Encarnacion

3 Colette

Actually

The community La comunidad es consist of 3 sisters,

The activity:

**Maternity clinic.
laboratory**

26 Colaboradores.

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FBF

- Sponsorship Program
- Program

FUTURE PROJECT

Opening of the rehabilitation Center for persons with mental illness.

PRAYER: for the Community and Mission of MONROVIA (LIBERIA)

Oh God, father of believers, you multiply on Earth the sons of the promise, with gratefulness for the doption and for the Paschal mystery, you did your servant Abraham the father of all Nations, as you had promised. Today we are here before you to entrust the work of the Hospitaller Committee of Africa (HCAF). You raised in the Church, the charism of hospitality, we give you thanks for the seed planted in Africa, so that today as yesterday and forever, we commit ourselves like Abraham, out of our self interests, out of our securities, out of our personal projects to enter into the great Congregational Community project in Africa, where everyone wants to be the actors and the steward in its construction. Grant that we may hear Your voice and follow the example of our Father in faith. We ask you today for the community and for the Mission of Monrovia (Liberia) and at the same time we ask the intercession of Mary, Our Lady of the Sacred heart of Jesus, Saint Benedict Menni, and of the sisters who have gone before us. Amen.