



## HELP

Patients are charged minimally at the hospital, and the mission relies heavily on donations. We invite you to continuously provide health care to the Ifugao through monthly support. One hundred percent of your donations will aid patients who cannot afford treatment and medicines.



## SERVE

At present, the Department of Health has classified the Good News Clinic and Hospital as a Primary Health Care (Infirmary) simply because it is unable to meet professional clinical staff requirements for a Level 1 hospital. GNCH lacks workers both in their professional and ancillary staff. It has constantly been in dire need of doctors, especially a surgeon.

If you are interested to help out for short or long-term medical missions work, please contact:

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*"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news and proclaim salvation..."  
Isaiah 52:7*



See insert for more details on how you can help transform GNCH.

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## GIVE

For Philippine donations, please deposit or transfer funds online to:  
Good News Clinic & Hospital  
Philippine National Bank (PNB) - Araneta Center Branch  
Acct no. 1276 7000 3442

For foreign (tax-deductible) donations, please make checks payable to:  
D.M. Stearns Missionary Fund  
and memo check for:  
Good News Clinic and Hospital #216  
and send to:  
P.O. Box 1578  
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# GOOD NEWS CLINIC & HOSPITAL

Healing Bodies and  
Winning Souls to Christ



For over 69 years, cradled in the arms of the breathtaking Banaue Rice Terraces, a UNESCO world heritage site, is the Good News Clinic and Hospital (GNCH). Located in the Cordillera Mountains, North Luzon, Philippines, this medical facility is the lone hospital in the municipality of Banaue catering to the medical needs of the Ifugao and neighboring tribes.



Managed by a Philippine Board of Trustees, GNCH is equipped with surgical and obstetric facilities, plus radiology and laboratory services.

Starting the COVID years of 2020-2021, very few patients trickled in. Many, driven by the fear of contracting the virus, stayed ill in their homes. This resulted in massive revenue losses. Also as a small hospital, it is unable to afford recruiting and retaining key hospital staff for it to qualify as a first-level hospital—a classification which will merit more government reimbursement and support. Thus, GNCH is in need of support to continue its mission to heal bodies and win souls to Christ.

Medical care at GNCH has averaged 30 out-patients and 15 in-patients daily. Despite being the only hospital in the town of Banaue, due to inadequate staffing & equipment, patients are forced to go to the nearest hospital 50 minutes away.

## MISSION

*Provide health care services encompassing body & spirit (Psalm 147:3)*

## VISION

*Be the best holistic Health Care Provider in Ifugao (Luke 10.9)*

## CORE VALUES

Being Christ-centered, we follow the acronym **C.H.R.I.S.T** in our values:

- Competence
- Holism
- Respect
- Integrity
- Service
- Teamwork



Surgeon Dr. Antonio "Tony" Ligot & wife Sylvia have been serving in the hospital since 1988. After retirement in 2023, they still actively help out as advisers.

Dr. Carol Abayao is our medical director and a native of Banaue. After working at GNCH as nurse for 3 years under Dr. Ligot's mentorship, she pursued General Medicine and obeyed the call to serve God and care for her people.



## HISTORY

Founded in 1956 by Dr. James Irvine, a USAFFE medical corps veteran missionary, GNCH was part of the Far East Gospel Crusade (FEGC). FEGC was nationalized in the early 70s and GNCH was registered as a non-stock, non-profit religious mission hospital.

Aside from Dr. Irvine, several other missionary doctors served at the clinic: Dr. James Irvine (from 1956 - 1965, 1980 - 1988), Dr. Eleazar Sarmiento (1964 - 1968), Dr. William McCurry (1964 - 1970), Dr. Joel Ruiz (1969 - 1980) and his son Dr. Joash Ruiz (2021 - 2024).



Administrative, medical and ancillary staff personnel gather together everyday to study God's Word and pray for the patients, their families and the day's work. Caring for the sick does not stop at attending to their medical needs. The staff take turns singing to the patients and their companions, reading the Bible to them and praying for them.

