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Charcoal sketches from Sanyati, by Kristin Glaze, are still available for purchase at \$20 each. All proceeds support the Makeover project. Contact Peter for further details.

# FINISHING THE RACE

**The Makeover Project** of Sanyati Baptist Hospital has two full years left. Our ability to finish the Makeover depends on several factors. The first is money. In our first few years we had many financial gifts given. These funds helped us purchase roofing material, timber, paint, and other supplies. However the giving has certainly slowed down. I would strongly encourage you to seek the Lord's will regarding giving a special offering to the work of the Makeover.

The other factor is volunteers to do the work. Once again over the years many willing hands have traveled the great distance to Sanyati, enduring both a long flight and a bumpy road. We are so grateful for the many who came to serve but again the number of those going has decreased this year over the previous years. There is still time to gather a team for this year and a wide open calendar for teams to come next year.

**The last factor** is the level of skills found within a team. On any team there needs to be a healthy balance in the skilled and the willing. I am going to list several projects remaining so you can determine if your skills and abilities match what we need. If, however, you do not see something that fits do not assume God is not calling you to serve. Extra hands with willing hearts are always needed.

**Electrical** We need a light fixture hung in the Casting Room, and fans are not working in the Nursing School classroom. Nonfunctioning light fixtures need to be fixed or removed. Old junc-

tion boxes need to be fixed or refurbished. There are several places where wires need to be tidied. There are also plugs and switches to be replaced. All of the required tools and parts are presently available at Sanyati.

**Tile Work** There are dozens of places throughout the hospital where tiles have fallen off the wall. I bought two boxes of matching tile and a caulking adhesive to attach them. Someone is needed to prepare the area (clean off the old adhesive and grout) and replace with new tiles. There are also places on the floor where an epoxy needs to be applied as a transition. Again, these items are there and just wanting for skilled hands to come.

**Panes of Glass** The hospital is over 42,000 square feet and is made up of more than a dozen buildings. To say a window or two is broken would be an understatement. We do have a piece of frosted glass cut and ready to be placed in the Preparation Room next to the Surgery Theater. We also need someone to measure all the places where replacement glass is needed. Once done we can buy the glass and have a team put the glass in place.

**Cabinet Installation** We have placed an order to have nineteen metal cabinets made. At this point I am not sure of the timeline, but we will need a team to put these in place.

**Cabinets Fitted** Last year several cabinets were installed, however there needs to be some adjustments made. The drawers have been removed and inserted in the wrong places so proper fitting of the drawers is required. Because drawers were shoved in the wrong place some of the hardware is broken. (page 1 of 3)

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A team is needed to remove the broken hardware and rivet the new heavier duty hardware in place.

**Wooden Cabinets** There are several cabinets made of plywood which are still in good condition – not damaged by termites – but the hardware is old, broken, or missing. We bought plenty of handles, hasps, magnetic catches, and hinges to give the cabinets an overhaul. Having these cabinets functional again would be a great blessing to the hospital.

**Security Gates** We need three security gates welded. These are new pieces and the hinges, flat metal, square metal, and welder, etc., are all there for the right person. These gates are for Central Supply where items are being stolen and are easily broken into.

**Plumbing** There are still places where plumbing issues need to be resolved. This means new faucets installed, drainage improved, supply lines properly working, and other such needs. Again, these items are already at the hospital.

**Roofing** There are two buildings still needing the new IBR steel roofing installed. They are two story buildings and all the angle iron for additional purlins is there plus all the bent steel for the roof is there as well. Special self-drilling fasteners are there with a 5/16 head. A welder will be needed as well as roofers. Scaffolding and ladders are already there.

**Chapel** The chapel looks great but the old light fixtures are not working properly, so fluorescents need to be installed on eight pilaster columns. Plastic wire molding will need to be run up the column to the fixture in the ceiling for a power supply. Items are there and the scaffolding can be used.

**Surgery Theater** There are a few needs in surgery. There are two theaters with a Prep Room in between them. Lights need to be removed, some lights relocated, and some added. A detailed list will be provided and the lighting supplies are there. Additional blocking in the ceiling will be required. There are also plumbing needs. Special faucets (mixers) for the surgeons have been obtained and need to be installed. Also, the air conditioners need to be better secured in place.

**Labor and Delivery** In order to work in this area the entire place will need to be temporarily relocated. That means our work here has to be swift and well organized. Many things are needed here. Old, damaged ceilings must be removed or fixed with a new piece inserted, then primed, and painted. The new ceiling material, cover strips, and cornice is there. Walls need painting. The oil-based paint is there. Brushes and rollers are also available.

Blocking and partitions need to be placed. We have brand new stainless steel dividers to be installed.

There are also plumbing, glass replacement, electrical and other needs in this area.

**Granite Counter Top** In the outpatient waiting area, a desk area needs a new granite countertop installed. The granite is cut to fit in three pieces and the adhesive is there. This will greatly enhance the area.

PaintingThe wood holding up the roofing for the covered sidewalks need another coat ortwo of paint.The wood soaked up the first coat and the other coat will go on fast.also walls and other areas to be painted.New angle iron also needs to be primed and paintedbefore installation.(next page)

**Chair Rail in Hallways** The termites love a good piece of wood and some of the new material has already been fully eaten. This includes an area where a wooden chair rail in the hallway (near the Pharmacy) has been replaced. We bent 42 Meters of steel to replace this to see if it can hold up to the hospital's standards. We need people to come and remove the old chair rail, prepare the surface, and attach the new metal. The metal and fasteners are there ready.

**Equipment Repair** Do you have a gift to fix things? Wow, could we use you at Sanyati! We have equipment like autoclaves, generators, refrigerators, pressers, etc. This machinery needs to be fixed or maintained.

**Gutters Cleaned** Although not a glamorous job, there are gutters that need to be cleaned and reattached. Sanyati gets their rainfall during one season and these gutters are important.

**Cleaning** We bought steel wool and stainless steel cleaners so the sinks can once again shine. It will require some "elbow grease" and time. There are probably thirty or more sinks that need some love.

**Bed Repair** The beds need the rubber feet replaced. Many of them are missing and therefore cause damage to the tile floor. This is not a demanding project but with 110 beds it will take a while.



**A word of priority** Hopefully something on this list says to you, "I can do that". And I would love for you to accomplish just that. However, we have a unique situation at the hospital this year in terms of setting priorities.

As yet we have been unable to remodel the Labor and Delivery/Maternity Ward Buildings due to the impossibility of women not having babies for a few months. So the hospital has agreed to relocate these departments so the work can be accomplished. This makes these areas a top priority because we want to get them finished and the hospital restored to good working order.

This does not mean work cannot be accomplished elsewhere. If an electrician wanted to mount the new lights in the Chapel while the rest of the team is working in Maternity – great! If someone wanted to clean stainless steel sinks throughout the hospital and work was still moving forward in the Labor area – wonderful!

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