

New Leadership in Bangladesh

2011 was a year of discovery, evaluation and renewal for LHCB. We started with some bad news of significant loan obligations by LHCB in Bangladesh; to promises of documentation that would help clear things; to revelations of financial and management misdeeds; to new hope with new leadership. There has been a revitalization of the leadership in Bangladesh with a new Board of Directors, a new Executive Director and a new Director of Finance. Each of these individuals brings valuable experience and a commitment to LHCB and our mission.

New Executive Director



Mr. Pius Serao

On February 1, **Mr. Pius Serao** began work as the new Executive Director of LHCB. His office is in Dumki at the LHCB hospital. Mr. Serao has worked with World Vision, HEED (Health, Education and Economic Development) and most recently with Christian Commission for Development in Bangladesh (CCDB) as Program Coordinator of the Food Security Project. He describes his leadership style as participatory and believes in listening to others.

New Board of Directors

Mr. Sylvester Halder (*Board Chair*)

Head of Programs for Christian Commission for Development in Bangladesh (CCDB).

Rev. Dipak Sangma (*Vice Chair*)

Director of the Christian Health Program of the Garo Baptist Convention

Mr. Tarun Daring – Deputy Executive Director for the Garo Baptist Convention (GBC) and Christian Health Project (CHP). Former Assistant Director of LHCB since 1997, LHCB Interim Executive Director (Apr-Dec, 2011).

Mr. Gabriel Rosari - Director Participatory Action for Rural Innovation(PARI)

New Leadership for LHCB-USA

The LHCB-USA Board welcomes Mr. Joe Slater as our new president and Pastor David Holm as our new vice president. We want to thank Dr. Karna Lundquist for her time, dedication and passion in serving our mission as past president. She will continue serving as a board member.

2012 MISSION TRIP

Please join us for our trip to Bangladesh
in November 2012

This November Mr. Joe Slater, President LHCBS-USA will be visiting our brothers and sisters at work in Dhaka and Dumki, Bangladesh.

We invite you to be part of this experience to see the mission for women and children that God is still calling us to in southern Bangladesh.

For more information and details, Please contact our office at 612-998-9655.



What LHCBS-USA Supporters Can Do To Help

- Connect us with an interested church, organization, foundation, or individual by arranging and participating in an informational interview, together with an LHCBS-USA Board member.
- Identify individuals who may be interested in traveling to LHCBS in Bangladesh to experience our work first-hand.
- Host a home party to cultivate current and new supporters.
- Help us identify and engage in-kind donors for technology (social media, website updating, etc.), event hosting, and other.

Prayer Requests



For the LHCBS Board and ED:

for God's vision,
and for integrity,
humility, and joy in
their service.

For the LHCBS Dumki Staff:

for resolution of
concerns, and
refreshment in their
labor together.

For LHCBS Partners in the US:

for God's wisdom and
the Spirit's inspiration
as we partner.

For everyone:

for joyful
rededication to the
mission of bringing
God's hope and
healing to the women
and children of
southern Bangladesh.



LHCB-USA wishes to thank all our faithful and generous donors for your support this past year. We have faced many challenges and have seen many changes both here and in Bangladesh. We pray for God's guidance, wisdom and inspiration as we ask you to joyfully rededicate your support to this mission of bringing God's hope and healing to the women and children in southern Bangladesh.



*If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.
Galatians 5:25*



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and grace*

Salma's Story

Mrs. Salma Begum, age 30 years, from the village of Algi was admitted into the LHCB Hospital in February, 2012 with serious complications. She had delivered her baby by caesarean section in a private clinic in Patuakhali one and a half months prior. After delivery she developed a wound infection which spread to her blood, and she was not responding to the care she was receiving.

Her family decided to bring her to our hospital where she was properly diagnosed by Dr. Uttam. She received preoperative antibiotics and was taken to the operating room where her wound was opened and properly drained, and she was fully cured from her wound and blood infection. If this treatment was not done immediately, she would have died from the complications of infection.

Mrs. Begum and her family are grateful to LHCB and to the donors who support the hospital and doctors in Dumki.



Salma and her baby

Work of LHCB in 2011

- 11,300 total patients served, including over 1300 inpatients
- 480 babies born at the LHCB hospital
- 2,200 life-saving immunizations administered
- 50 Traditional Birth Attendants (midwives) received refresher training

