The cycle of malnutrition and infection is vicious. It could start very simply with a diarrhea illness or lack of nutrition education. Children reach a point in malnutrition where their bodies no longer have enough energy to function properly. They no longer have the strength to fight infection or their bodies begin to swell because of a decrease in cellular function. These children need special care including specialized formulas, around the clock feedings, antibiotics, and possibly IVs or NG tubes. We encountered many of these children in our clinic and were having to transport them to a center about 2 hours away from us. Kids had to spend at least 8 weeks away from their families and parents missed out on needed education. God burdened But God Ministries to have a facility close by where these kids could find care quickly and their parents have the option to stay and receive needed education. Pen Lavi (Bread of Life) Malnutrition Center opened in May 2017 with current space for 8 children and potential to have up to 15. The facility also includes room for mothers to stay with their children while they recover.



HOW TO GIVE



You can find more information about how to give online at <u>www.butgodministries.com/how-to-</u> <u>get-involved/give-online</u> or you can mail a check to the address below. Please write checks to "But God Ministries" and designate any donation "Malnutrition Center."

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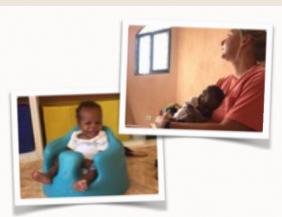


Pen Lavi Malnutrition Center



"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."" John 6:35





Children at Pen Lavi Malnutrition Center

SPONSOR A CRIB

\$100/month

Sponsoring a crib will help pay for the expenses of taking care of the children that God sends to us. This includes medicines, formulas, therapeutic foods, etc. As a sponsor you will receive an update every 3 months on a child that is currently receiving care at the malnutrition center.

SPONSOR A MAMA BED

\$75/month

Sponsoring a mama bed will help us continue to be able to have mothers participate in their child's care. Although moms are asked to help with their children and other daily chores we do not charge them for the care of their child or their stay with us. Sponsoring a mama bed will help provide them with food, medical care when necessary, a Creole Bible, hygiene supplies, etc. As a mama bed sponsor you will receive a picture and story of a mom staying with us every 3 months.

See the back of the brochure for information on how to give. Designate your gift "Malnutrition Center - Crib sponsorship" or "Malnutrition Center - Mama sponsorship."

THE GIVING CATALOGUE

Below are some ways you can give to continue to make it possible for us to care for the children God brings to Pen Lavi Malnutrition Center.



TRANSPORTATION:

\$20.00

When children are admitted into the malnutrition center we assist their parents with transportation needs to go home and return back the center.

The malnutrition center operates off of a cistern for running water. A truck comes to fill the cistern with clean

We have many staff members that help keep the

malnutrition center running: nannies, cooks, laundry

ladies... \$150 will pay a support staff salary for a month.

We have lots of mouths to feed! Along with feeding our

children we also feed the parents that stay with us.

DIAPERS FOR A WEEK:

diapers!

NURSE:

WATER TRUCK:

water each week.

SUPPORT STAFF:

GROCERIES FOR A WEEK:

will pay a nurses salary for a month.



\$60.00

\$150.00

\$300.00





Holanda - 2 months old 4.51bs

Holanda - 4 months old 10lbs





Kashme - 3 years old 17.5lbs

Kashme 25.5lbs





Manuella - 18 months 18.5lbs

Manuella 22lbs

