

Health Team Update: November 2008



Representatives from the ELA Healthcare and Administration teams with our new colleagues at Friendship Hospital.

We've Moved!

After five years at Beiguan Hospital, we've relocated to the south of the city! We have made an official agreement to collaborate in clinical work and research and to share facilities with Friendship Hospital on Youyi Lu. We have also rented office space in an apartment building around the corner. Though the need to move came upon us suddenly, we believe that our Father is opening many doors for His work at our new location. We're awaiting the completion of a new building before we move into our new clinical facilities at Friendship Hospital.

Mazhuang Free Clinic

We launched our rural free clinic program with a visit to Mazhuang Village this month. Locals came to have their blood glucose, hemoglobin, and blood pressure measured, and to seek advice from Dr. Joseph, Dr. Sam and Dr. David Fong—one of our returning physician volunteers from Australia. We were also able to make a stop in nearby Diaotai Village to donate an examination bed, an otoscope, and a scale to one of our partner rural doctors. It was quite an event, and the villagers in Mazhuang and Diaotai were grateful for the equipment and the chance to receive medical care that would otherwise be unavailable.



Nurse Jane takes blood to screen for diabetes and anemia.



Xi'an Nursing School students with Richard and their teachers at the English Corner.

Xi'an Nursing School Training

Richard Gilfillan, a returning nurse educator from Australia, ran a two-session training course on emergency disaster management at Xi'an Nursing School, with help from Brian Allanson and Dr. David Fong from Australia, Sherry and Bev.

Richard offered a lecture on emergency disaster management, then an illustrative enactment of a disaster scene. The nursing students found the training course entertaining as well as instructive!

Richard also set up an "English corner" one evening for students to practice speaking English in smaller groups. Of course, our hope is always to sow some seeds at events like these, but this was challenging because there were many teachers in attendance as well.

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