

January 29, 2009

Mike & Cindy Gingerich

Dear friends and family,

What a day! I was awake early this morning, with anticipation of the big event. Although it didn't seem there was much I could do about anything. We had our normal clinic time. We had tried to reduce the numbers so we would finish early. But there was no way we could control deliveries. We had two difficult deliveries and by difficult, I mean they were pushing for nearly an hour, screaming, and both of them needed stitching, so it was not a quick delivery. And during that, a lady came and said one of our patients had delivered her baby at home, there was no one there to help, could one of the midwives please come. So one went with her to deliver the placenta and make sure the baby was OK. That turned out OK too.

Then about 12:45 it started to sprinkle, and we thought that would cool things off, but really it only made things more humid, but the rain stopped, and it remained someone overcast the rest of the afternoon. We started late, waiting for some politicians to arrive, and they never did arrive. But the rest of the program went very well. We served a lite meal afterward, and that went over well as well. We had about 88 in attendance; we were expecting 100, so that was pretty close. The goal of the event was mostly to make our project known and find more donors. I'm not sure that was accomplished at this point, but it was a nice event. So keep praying, that we will be successful in finding local foundations who can supply funds to make this dream come to reality.

Thanks for your prayers, and notes of encouragement!

Cindy



Action board member, David Huang, Mavis Orton, and other representatives from foundations and government participate in a ground breaking ceremony for the new birthing home.



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