September 2026 Jesus Loves Me Report



During September Jesus Loves Me once again became very busy with many families returning back to Bong County after the summer. As a result more children were brought to the hospital. Mortality rates remain extremely low as a result of a combination of rapid response processes to deterioration at night as well as improved education in the community leading to children coming to the center much earlier. This has been the fruit of much prayerful mentoring, and the leadership team at Jesus Loves Me remains highly motivated to continue this.

September also saw the arrival of further oxygen concentrators in preparation for increased patient numbers as a result of our partnership with My Local Doc Australia, as well as celebrating the first anniversary of our chronic conditions clinics. Several worship services for patients and families were held recognizing this.

September in Statistics

- 124 families received a very clear in-depth Gospel presentation and received Bibles.
- 35 worship services conducted in the inpatient ward.
- 312 children and caregivers received one-to-one Spiritual support and prayer.
- 4 weekly staff prayer meetings held after outpatients.
- 2890 children treated in the outpatient department for common medical conditions.
- 3104 immunisations for children against serious medical conditions.
- 102 new children treated in the OPD for severe acute malnutrition, 70 cured.
- 242 admissions to the inpatient ward, 66 of whom were suffering from malnutrition.
- 133 children treated in the chronic conditions clinic with 220 on the caseload.
- 11 communities visited and educated as part of the outreach follow-up program.

Each t-shirt represents a child who has been rescued by the chronic conditions program:





Challenges for prayer and wisdom:

- Pray for every child who comes into the hospital to encounter Jesus' love and receive high quality care.
- Next steps for 2027 require great wisdom. Pray for the strategy meeting taking place among senior leadership on October 6.
- Pray for an end to the excessive usage of herbal medicine in some communities which is causing great suffering and delays to the care of children who present acutely unwell.
- Pray for wisdom in any decisions around recruitment and onboarding of staff, particularly that the whole team continues to gel together well.

Success Story

Marthalynne came to Jesus Loves Me from deep in the bush. Her mom couldn't tell what was wrong with her, but could see something wasn't quite right. Her 6 week old head bobbed up and down with every breath while her swollen stomach bounced up and down in alarming distress. She hadn't fed for a whole day, and there was no way for Mom to sooth her increasingly desperate cries.

As she tumbled through the gate at Jesus Loves Me, the whole team snapped into action. Our triage nurse aide, affectionately named "Ambulance" immediately recognised the danger signs and bravely scooped up baby Marthalynne, sprinting straight down the corridor shouting for help. Our whole team immediately jumped into action, seeing Marthalynne's dangerously low oxygen levels and how dehydrated she was becoming.





Everyone in the team knew exactly what to do, and within minutes Marthalynne was on the bubble-CPAP system and started on fluids, with at least a fighting chance. A tiny life kept afloat by an oxygen machine, stable electricity and a bottle of mineral water. Slowly her breathing started to settle, and the team had the opportunity to pray with the whole family as the treatment was going on. Her Marthalynne's frightened Mom started to calm down and the hint of a smile began to spread across her face. Her tired eyes started to get a little of their sparkle back, and she held hands with the nurses and doctors as the whole team prayed for God's intervention.

The long journey began at that morning, a swirl of nurses diligently checking vital signs and doctors carefully adjusting the pressure on the CPAP and slowly rehydrating her. A week of sleepless nights and morning battles, balancing fluids, antibiotics and feeds with intense attention to detail. Then one morning Marthalynne looked better, her distress almost gone and her lips smacking hungrily. Finally she was stable enough for her Mom to hold her close again, with feeding restarted.

Now she is on her way home, both her and Mom transformed by a team who modelled Jesus' love and put all the energy they could into rescuing one of His children. Not only has Marthalynne been rescued from almost certain death but her whole family has been touched by Jesus' love and beautifully transformed!

Thank you for your support and generosity. Many blessings in Christ!

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