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- an **instrument of the Church** to serve the Lord in the poor and to bring God's love to the needy through our service.

We serve the needy irrespective of their creed, colour of skin, sexual orientation and political affiliation.

We serve an impoverished community. Therefore we render all our services free of charge and **have to rely solely on donations and grants to finance our work**.



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# Brotherhood



May we introduce ourselves to you?

## of Blessed Gérard



We render a health care service to poor and needy persons, including the care for people living with HIV/AIDS at the hotspot of the AIDS pandemic in the world, the North Coast of Zululand in South Africa.

#### Our AIDS treatment (HAART) Programme comprises

Voluntary Counselling and HIV-Testing (VCT) We offer free and confidential HIV Tests to the general public.

#### HAART Readiness Courses



Before starting patients on the medication we ensure that they get sufficient information to give their informed consent and to understand that antiretroviral treatment is of vital importance for them.

#### **Antiretroviral Treatment**

We provide free Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Treatment (HAART) as comprehensive medical care including regular medical examinations, blood monitoring, on-going prevention or treatment of opportunistic infections, medical and psychosocial counselling and dispensing of the drugs.

#### **Adherence Monitoring**



Our Therapeutic Counsellors make home visits to our patients on ARVtreatment to ensure that they adhere to the treatment and so to prevent treatment failure. This enables us to discover adverse drug reactions early and to prevent problems.

#### **Support Groups**

We have several Support Groups where our HAART Patients meet voluntarily to encourage and support one another and prevent isolation.



**Motivation and Income Generation** Our Therapeutic Counsellors motivate and encourage our HAART patients to engage in income generating activities instead of expecting that their families or society would have to provide for them because they are sick.

#### **Hospice & Palliative Care**

We provide **residential Palliative Care** for terminally ill patients in our Inpatient Unit. We can admit up to 40 patients, which makes us the largest inpatient hospice in South Africa.



We send out mobile home-nursing teams, which supplement and support the family's home based care through hands-on-training and additional aids in the home situation of the respective patient. This includes the assessment of patients at home and proper medical home care.

## **Poor Sick Fund**

We provide poverty relief by helping sick people from our local community, if they cannot afford urgently needed medical treatment.



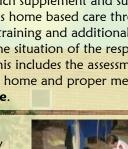
## **Relief & Social Care**



**Relief Fund** We provide poverty relief by helping people in our local community in genuine cases of immediate need.

**Disaster Relief** We provide disaster relief being ready to give medical assistance and care as a relief organisation in case of a disaster.





#### Child Care

**Pre-Primary School & Crèche** We provide "edu-care" and an early childhood development service for underprivileged preschool children.





## We look after, counsel and give a home to sick and healthy "Orphans and Vulnerable Children" (OVCs).

Children's Home



### **Malnutrition Clinic**

We provide a health care service to poor and needy persons by running a clinic, where we examine, treat and feed malnourished infants and teach their parent/carer in proper baby care and nutrition.





**Bursary Fund** We provide poverty relief by giving bursaries to poor pupils and students of our local communitv.