Late last year a new priority arose for the Hospital. The government of Uganda has designated Holy Innocents a Regional Resource Hospital for infants. This means that seven local hospitals are referring all of their cases involving premature newborns and other babies in critical condition to Holy Innocents.

As a consequence, the number of infants needing critical care has increased dramatically. Holy Innocents urgently needs a dedicated Infant Critical Care Ward (“ICCW”) with 20 additional beds to meet the demand.

Plans for the ICCW facility are now complete. The ICCW has been designed to meet the special needs of newborns in crisis. The two new 10-bed wards will include incubators, isolettes, warmers, vital signs monitors and other equipment allowing us to save more lives. In addition to the extra beds, the ICCW includes rooms for mothers and fathers to dress in sanitary scrubs, a dedicated lactation room, nurse station, laundry and office. The level of care we will soon be able to offer far exceeds our present capacity.

We are now finalizing bids with local contractors. Soon construction will begin.
Fundraising for the ICCW is nearing goal!

We are pleased to report that fundraising for the new ICCW is nearing completion. The cost to build and equip the ICCW is estimated to be $635,000. We have already raised $550,000 for the ICCW project, leaving an additional $85,000 needed to fully fund the project. We are confident that the remaining funds will be donated. The generosity of our supporters has been amazing.

We are also pleased to report that the Holy Innocents Hospital is operating profitably and enjoys tremendous support in the Mbararra community. An additional 12 patient ward is under construction to accommodate the increasing number of patients. The Hospital itself acquired the funds for this new inpatient facility. All of the funds were raised from within the Mbararra community. This demonstrates the truly remarkable success of our project. We know that God must be pleased with everyone who has been a part of this life-saving effort.

Thanks to our donors for making the Hospital a reality.