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I am a registered OB/GYN (RDMS) Sonographer with more than 28 years experience. To teach and train is my passion.

It has been my pleasure and my passion to work with small maternity hospitals in East Africa run by Medical Missionaries of Mary. I have traveled to these hospitals many times to teach and train physicians and nurses. In addition I have also secured ultrasound machines over the past decade to be donated to these hospitals in Africa. At times the ultrasound machine already existed at the hospital but the skills we lacking. The state of imaging in Africa is beyond one can imagine. Just to give an idea I had arranged for a portable ultrasound for kabanga hospital in Tanzania in 2000. This single ultrasound machine was the only source of imaging serving a population of about 12,000 for 6 years. Just for comparison Rochester alone has more than 100 ultrasound machines. *Unfortunately this machine in Kabanga hospital is now not functional and the hospital has no machine to perform medical imaging. Medical Imaging Partnership is arranging an Ultrasound machine to be sent to Kabanga hospital.*

I fully support the mission of Medical Imaging Partnership “Better health through Imaging”. My main purpose to join Medical Imaging Partnership is to participate in training and educating physicians and nurses in the art of Ob/Gyn ultrasonography. I am very excited about new projects that Medical Imaging Partnership is undertaking. This will allow me to continue my affiliations with hospitals in Tanzania (Kabanga).