



Nyofelleh Clinic
THE DEREK BAILEY FOUNDATION
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I was very pleased to see that a lot of work had been done since my last visit, in the clinic every where looked well cared for and some work has been done to start preparation of a garden.

The main activity was the new building which but for a few minor details was now complete. The building consists of ~

1. One-bedroom apartment with a sitting room and out side walled yard with covered cooking facilities this accommodation is for our newly appointed nurse.
2. 2 bedroom apartment with sitting room and out-side yard with covered cooking facilities –meant for volunteer workers
3. Both apartments have solar power.



NYOFELLEH LOWER BASIC SCHOOL

The number of children continues to grow .The World Bank have recognised this and have donated funds for a new school block which will relieve some of the pressure on the Staff .



Lunch time, the children get bread with a paste filling for a small sum of money. It is possible some children will have no money .This is a private arrangement as the Education Department have stopped providing any food this year.

School Kitchens are nearly complete and roofing has been purchased. This will give the women shelter while they prepare the children's lunches The DBF have continued to support the school with regular donations for school materials As soon as the new school building is ready I feel they will need more help with furniture.

We have spent time this year in providing good accounts in The Gambia; we know how all the money is spent and are able to budget more precisely

There is a sufficient fund in the Bank to start building the Maternity Unit.

Our main problem is the operating costs of the Health Centre, the villagers are most anxious to keep moving forward and they are looking at means to help them selves. The VDC are considering a small charge for the use of the ambulance, they are already contributing a little towards the medicines, and treatment We are working slowly towards their independence.

To raise funds

1. We are holding a raffle to be drawn at our AGM it is hoped that you will not mind trying to sell a few tickets for us.
2. A concert May 4th in St Botolph's Church Algate London 7,30pm.
3. May 21st Yeldersley hall Open Gardens 2pm.

A BIG THANK YOU to all our friends and donors, with out the support you give us we would not have been able treat at least 8000 people, many children's lives have been saved being able to treat Malaria quickly .With the help of the new nurse we can do much more.

I am sorry to have to tell you of the death of a much loved friend Diane Roberts. She will be sorely missed, first as a good friend and confidante, then on behalf of the DBF. She has worked tirelessly for our benefit and we must now find away of managing with out her.. Nyofelleh village expressed their sorrow and send their sympathy to Diane's husband Paul. Many other of her friends in the Gambia also sent a message of sympathy to Paul