## UPDATE ON THE MAMA SABINA COMMUNITY CLINIC PROJECT SUPPORTED BY ANCHORAGE PRESBYTERIAN

SOS began working with the Mama Sabina Community Clinic in rural western Uganda in late 2018. Through the generosity of some of our donors, we were able to raise the funds to complete the three-room clinic which would serve several villages that had no access to healthcare. Denise Sears, President of SOS,

visited the clinic in 2018 to build an assessment of needs with clinic's Nurse Practitioner to develop a list of supplies and equipment needed.

Anchorage Presbyterian Church generously offered to fund a container shipment of medical supplies and equipment to help open the clinic. The lengthy process of getting inspections and customs approvals took months. The container finally shipped out January 2020 only to arrive just as Uganda shut down for COVID in late April. It was 120 days before we got customs clearance and the container began a



Lauren Yeheri Muhindo – 1st baby born at Mama Sabina

two-day road journey to
Kisebere Uganda. The clinic

officially opened its

Maternal and Child Ward in
October and the first baby was born two
weeks later. It was the first infant in
Kisebere born in a safe and clean
environment and not on the dirt floor of
one room dwelling. To date, three babies
have been born (the most recent was last
week), dozens of children have received
needed in-patient care for malaria and
typhoid, and a father suffering a serious

injury was treated just to name a few

highlights. This shipment provided equipment including beds, IV poles and infant warmers for the clinic. Supplies included OB/GYN, IV, dressings, gloves, and medical instruments, all of which have already helped save lives. In total, the shipment of 118 pieces of equipment and 285 boxes of supplies were valued at over \$150,000.



Baby Lauren post-natal care check-up



Young father receiving medical care after road accident



Newest arrival born 2/4/21



Baluku and his mother



Baby Baluku (means 1<sup>st</sup> born son)