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From the Desk of the CEO

by Susan Koshy, JD, MPH
Chief Executive Officer



Dear PAACS Family:

As 2021 comes to an end, let me express my deep-felt gratitude and thanks for your support and prayers for the PAACS ministry. Let us now look forward to new beginnings and a time of hope as we enter 2022. We have great expectations as a ministry for the new year and believe that God will continue to do a great and mighty work in and through PAACS.

In 2022, PAACS anticipates:

- 39 new surgical residents to start training;
- 124 residents total in our surgical training programs across Africa;
- 126 graduates serving in the under-resourced areas of 21 countries;
- The addition of one new country with a PAACS training program (Madagascar) and potentially a second new country with a program (Burundi) later in 2022, bringing us to a total of 10 countries with PAACS surgical training programs;
- Two new general surgery programs (Nkhoma Hospital and HVMM) to start in 2022 and potentially a third program (Kibuye Hope Hospital) later in the year;
- Two new specialty training programs to begin training (Anesthesia and Ob-Gyn) and potentially a third program (Surgical Endoscopy) later in the year;
- 21 surgical training programs and potentially up to 23 training programs in 2022.

We stand in great hope and anticipation of the New Year. God's word in Isaiah 43:19 states, "Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" We believe that God is doing new things by expanding PAACS' capacity to train more surgeons to care for His children and to bring His glorious Good News to every corner of the African continent. We are excited for His new work in this ministry in 2022 and are eager to labor under the guidance of the Holy Spirit for this next year.

Please pray with us that God will bless the work of PAACS in 2022 and continue to strengthen and grow this organization for His glory. Please also pray for peace in all countries with PAACS programs and the home countries of our residents and graduates. We also covet your prayers for more short-term faculty to be able to travel to PAACS sites to help train and disciple PAACS residents.

God is moving in this ministry, and He uses vessels like you to help continue His work and plans. If you have not had an opportunity to partner with PAACS to realize God's kingdom work in Africa, please consider giving a gift before the end of 2021.

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or mail a check to **PO Box 735262, Dallas, TX 75373-5262**. Every gift counts, and we would be blessed by your generosity.

Happy New Year, and may 2022 be a year that the Lord does new things in your life and that of your family.

Blessings,

Susan Koshy, JD, MPH
Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Pan-African Academy of Christian Surgeons (PAACS)

FOCUS on AIC Litein Hospital, Kenya

by Philip Blasto, MD
PAACS Program Director at AIC Litein Hospital



LEFT: Drs. John Kanyi, Wycklife Ooko, Peter Opondo, Ruth Talaam, Valentine Mbithi, and Philip Blasto



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The PAACS General Surgery Program at AIC Litein Hospital in Kenya is doing well, by God's grace. Dr. Peter Opondo started in January as our second intake of residents, joining Dr. Ruth Talaam and Dr. Wycklife Ooko. In addition, we had a successful interview, and we will be adding another resident, Dr. John Ngili starting in January 2022. We had the first COSECSA exam taken by our two senior residents, Talaam and Wycklife, which they passed. We are thankful they both were able to take their oral exams online and pass. They are our first group of residents to do the COSECSA exam, and to have both pass is a blessing.

We have seen God's hand in various difficult cases and continue to depend on him for strength. There have been no significant COVID-19 infections in the faculty or residents, just one minor infection.

BELOW: PAACS AIC Litein Residents and Faculty praying with patients

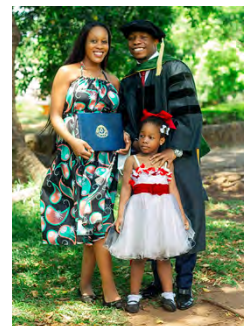




PAACS Second Graduation at Malamulo Adventist Hospital: Dr. Aaron Kokulol

by Moses Kasumba, MD

PAACS Program Director, Malamulo Adventist Hospital, Malawi



The graduation of Dr. Aaron Kokulol at Malamulo Adventist Hospital was presided over by Professor Eric Borgstein who presented the award of Diploma to Dr. Kokulol and annual accomplishment certificates to six other PAACS residents. Together, with the focused efforts of our partners, PAACS, LLU, COSECSA, MUC and others, Dr. Aaron joins a group of 126 PAACS surgeons across Africa, ready to live the gospel of Jesus Christ through gifts of healing and teaching when he returns to Liberia.

Aaron accepts the challenge of serving as a compassionate Christian surgeon that will make a positive difference in the lives of others and using the knowledge and skills gained by giving of himself to his patients. Dr. Kokulol has completed five years of surgical residency training, and he has given evidence of proficiency in General Surgery.

Through hard work and persistence, Aaron reached this important milestone, and we are very proud of him. Thanks be to God, his family, and to all the great men and women supporting PAACS that have contributed tirelessly, directly and indirectly, in the past and present, to the training of this outstanding surgeon.



PAACS Malamulo Spiritual Retreat

By Brent Sherwin, MD

PAACS Faculty at Malamulo Adventist Hospital, Malawi



Although the new COVID Omicron variant prevented Dr. Ed Searce from coming to Malawi to lead our spiritual retreat, we were blessed to have Pastor Lee Furney come in his place. The spiritual retreat was held over two days at the beautiful Satemwa Tea Estate in Thyolo, and we had half of the residents and operating room staff come for each day.

During the morning and afternoon sessions, Pastor Furney led us in a discussion over Romans Chapter 12 where we learned how to be living sacrifices to God, how to serve God with spiritual gifts, and finally how to behave like true Christians. We were also blessed to have a live discussion via Zoom with Dr. Searce and listen to a pre-recorded discussion from him on how to “Think Like Jesus” based off 1 Peter 4:1-6.



Although Dr. Searce couldn't be present in person, we were grateful for the ability to have him interact with our groups. The spiritual retreat was a great success and a big blessing for our residents and staff during this time of uncertainty in the world.



Dr. Enock Mupepe Graduates at SIM Galmi Hospital, Niger

By Janet Banks

On December 4, 2021, the graduation of Enock Mupepe was celebrated in the open air at SIM Galmi Hospital. Enock is originally from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. After working as a doctor in Liberia, he heard about PACCs surgical training. He became convinced of the vision, applied for the program, and was accepted to begin at SIM Galmi Hospital, Niger, in January 2017.

At the graduation, Dr. Yakoubou Sanoussi described Enock as a natural leader with a heart for mission work. As a senior resident, he was able to humbly share and work alongside both senior and junior residents. He is seen as a very good surgeon and a disciple of Jesus.

Enock spoke of how the past five years of his life has been the hardest with the pressure of studying and working at Galmi and being away from family. He recognized through these difficult times that God has been his strength. He is thankful for the training he received from the surgeons who work long term in the hospital and from those who visit or come short term for training of the residents.

He is thankful for his family, his friends, his church, and the missionaries at Galmi. He is also thankful for the MADALA Foundation for supporting him. The joy of the celebration was seen by the wonderful singing presentation from Enock's fellow residents, and their wives and husbands. Those present could not help but be swept up with the wonderful praises to God.





AIC Kijabe/CURE PAACS Graduation 2021

The graduation ceremony for the Orthopaedic, General Surgery, and Pediatric Surgery programs at Kijabe/CURE Hospitals in Kenya was on the 10th of December 2021. Attendants included the graduates and their families, residents, faculty, and other staff.

The graduates included:

- **Dimingo Gomez** (GS) – He is joining the Pediatric Surgery Fellowship at AIC Kijabe Hospital in January 2022.
- **Eva Lang'at** (Orthopaedics) – She will work at AIC Cure Kenya Children's Hospital.
- **Eric Irungu** (Pediatric Surgery) – He will work at Tenwek Mission Hospital in Kenya.
- **Daniel Yosef Otieno** (Orthopaedics) – He will work at Arusha Lutheran Medical Center in Tanzania.
- **Felix Kuguru** (Orthopaedics) – He will work at AIC Cure Kenya Children's Hospital.



The ceremony started with a word of prayer from the hospital head chaplain and was followed by a meal for all the attendants.

The Guest speaker was Dr. Michael Mwachiro, FCS (GS) COSECSA, FACS, Program Director of the PAACS General Surgery program at Tenwek and the Kenya COSECSA country representative.





New Residents Starting in January

In 2022 PAACS will welcome the largest incoming class of new residents with 39 trainees. This will also be our most diverse class, representing 12 different nationalities! Be sure to watch for the January PAACS bulletin where we will introduce each of them and which program they have joined.

Here are a few of the new 2022 residents. Please keep them in your prayers.



Dr. Rado
HVMM Madagascar



Dr. Naol Jigi
Soddo / CURE



Dr. John Ngili
AIC Litein, Kenya



Dr. Tefy
HVMM Madagascar

COSECSA Exam Results

FCS – 100% of PAACS residents who took this exam passed, of results currently received. Still awaiting CT exam results.

MCS – 92% of PAACS residents who took this exam passed (23 of 25).

PAACS Graduations

2021 brought 18 new graduates for PAACS! In total, PAACS has issued 135 graduate certificates to 126 graduates. Congratulations to the graduates of 2021!

General Surgery (8)

Arusha
Goodwill Kivuyo

Bongolo
Olivier Ndizeye

Galmi
Enock Mupepe

Kijabe
Dimitio Gomez

Malamulo
Aaron Kokulol

Soddo
Tsegaye WoldeGiorgis
HaileMariam

Tenwek
Akinniyi Fadipe
Samuel Odongo

Orthopaedic Surgery (6)

Kijabe/CURE-Kijabe
Eva Langat
Felix Kuguru
Daniel Yoseph

Soddo/CURE-Addis
Temesgen Zelalem
Kebede

Tenwek
Silas Ndege
Joyce Lunar Atuo



Temesgen Zelalem Kebede

Pediatric Surgery (2*)

BethanyKids at Kijabe
Yves Mpongo (*Aug)
Eric Irungu

Cardiothoracic Surgery (2)

Tenwek
Keith Dindi
Agneta Odera



Malamulo Graduation

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Answered Prayers in Madagascar

by Ted Watts, MD, PAACS Program Director at HVMM, Madagascar

The story of the PAACS program at the Good News Hospital, Mandritsara, is a story of answered prayers and incredible provision. Just over two years ago, a PAACS program in Madagascar was still a dream. There seemed to be so much against a program starting any time soon: just one qualified surgeon in place, outdated and small surgical facilities, and case numbers only just approaching what might be needed.

Fueled by a vision to train Malagasy Christian junior doctors to be the mission-minded surgeons of the future, the small team in Mandritsara started to take little steps towards realizing that dream. The two big challenges were faculty and facilities. It has been truly humbling to see the Lord bring everything together over these past two years. The arrivals of Dr. Jesh Thiessen and Dr. Marco Faniriko were miraculous – with both able to respond to God’s call within a year. The new OR construction has continued despite all the challenges of COVID and will be inaugurated on the 14th of January 2022. There is so much to thank God for as we look back on these times.

But now as we stand on the brink of launching the new general surgery program, it is a time to look forward with anticipation and excitement as we wait to see what the Lord will do here. We have been so encouraged to be able to appoint our first residents: Dr. Rado and Dr. Tefy. Both are wonderful young Christian men who are committed to using the blessings and skills that God has given them to be a blessing to others.

The program starts on the 5th of January, with the opening ceremony being timed to coincide with the new building opening on the 14th of January.

See [Prayer Requests](#) at the end of the Bulletin.



Watch a new video from
Dr. Faniriko Marco Bien-Aime



Dr. Marco, Dr. Jesh, Mr. Euryaldys Tombomora (Director of the Good News Project), and Dr. Ted



Drs. Rado and Tefy, the first residents in the HVMM Program



Drs. Rado, Tefy, and Marco



UPDATES FROM THE DEANS

Spiritual Development Committee Begins Work on Strategic Initiative # One

by Ed Scarce, ThM, DMin
PAACS Spiritual Dean

Initiative One of the new PAACS 5-year strategic plan concerns the spiritual development component of PAACS. Work has already begun on achieving the stated goals of this initiative.

- 1. Develop training and resources for those leading the spiritual development program.** This goal is aimed at providing training and resources specific to the art of disciple-making. The initial step is to survey Program Directors and spiritual curriculum leaders to determine a “best approach” to the resources and training needed. That survey has been developed and is scheduled for January/February 2022.
- 2. Develop a Teacher’s Guide for those teaching the Spiritual Curriculum.** This is a teaching plan for how to communicate each lesson so that personal application is made by the participants. Work is already underway to determine the format this guide would use.
- 3. Preliminary investigation has begun on a third goal of developing a team of intercessors** from Africa and other locations who would become a prayer strike force.

COVID Travel in the 24-Hour PCR Result Era

by John Tarpley, MD
PAACS Academic Dean

In light of concerns regarding having COVID PCR test results within 72-hours, my November travels to Kenya for FCS COSECSA Exams and on to Botswana via Johannesburg and back to the States were more stressful than prior travels to sub-Saharan Africa (SSA). Great efforts were made by our COSECSA hosts for the FCS oral exams in Kenya last month to make sure we had the 72-hour results of our PCR tests in hand. My own report arrived just before midnight for a 5 am flight from Nairobi to Johannesburg, creating stress and increasing anxiety.

Now, with the detection of the Omicron variant in southern Africa and the (over) reaction of countries in the northern hemisphere, PAACS residents and faculty traveling for the January 2022 PGY III Conference in Brackenhurst, Kenya, will need to keep close watch on the timing of their required PCR COVID results. Additionally, airlines can and do change departure times. For my upcoming return flight in January 2022 from Nairobi to Europe enroute back to Nashville, my flight has already been rescheduled twice.

With COVID still rampant, we are not in control. Not that we ever are. I fall back on the advice I first heard my first year of medical school: **“Work as though it depends on you; pray as though it depends on God.”** I wish “Journey Mercies” to all who plan to travel for PAACS conferences in January and again in February-March 2022. Plan carefully. Be compulsive in knowing the current and often changing travel requirements. Try to “Fret not” as we are advised in Psalm 37:7b.

~ tarp



Meet the Newest Members of the Board of Directors



Carter Harsh, MD, Representative of the Consortium of Residency Councils

Dr. Harsh is a neurosurgeon with Neurological Associates in Birmingham, AL.

"PAACS has been addressing the need for excellent surgeons for 25 years, and now is training excellent neurosurgeons to specifically address these neurosurgical needs. Importantly, these surgeons are followers of Jesus who are being disciplined in their faith. They will take the love and aroma of Jesus and the salt and light of the faith into their practices, hospitals, and communities. Fantastic. No other group that I know of is accomplishing these same things, and so I am thrilled to be affiliated with PAACS."



Grace Kim, MD, General Surgery Council Chair

Dr. Kim is an Associate Professor in the Division of Minimally Invasive Surgery and the Director of General Surgery at the Brighton Center for Specialty Care (University of Michigan)

"I believe that I have been led to the role of Council Chair as this role will allow me to use and develop my gifts and collective experience not only as a general surgeon and surgical educator but as a general surgery residency program director and vice chair of education to glorify God."



Michael Langford, MD, Orthopaedic Surgery Council Chair

Dr. Langford is a retired orthopaedic surgeon in Longview, Texas.

"When I learned about PAACS, I immediately knew that I felt called to serve with this organization. I have been on the PAACS Orthopaedic Surgery Council for several years. Since retiring in 2019, the Lord has allowed me to serve at Tenwek with the PAACS Ortho program there on three trips. I plan, Lord willing, to return to Tenwek in October 2021. The orthopaedic skills I possess are a gift from God, and I want to share those gifts and blessings with Christian African orthopaedic surgeons in training who will in turn share those blessings in the name of Christ long after I'm gone."



J. Kayle Lee, MD, Member at Large

Dr. Lee is a trauma surgeon with Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn, IL

"I believe in PAACS and have been a supporter for years. In addition to informally telling people about PAACS, I've also had opportunities to speak at hospital conferences and other venues about medical volunteerism and always highlight PAACS. After my first trip, I've taken at least one other person on all my PAACS trips - family, residents, former coworkers, etc. They've enjoyed their experiences and have become fans of PAACS as well."



William Wilson, MD, Spiritual Representative

Dr. Wilson is a retired gastroenterologist from Dayton, OH.

"PAACS to me is a sacred endeavor. I believe that through PAACS we are raising up a group of young African Christian surgeons who will deliver first class surgical care to a vastly underserved area of the world. But, perhaps even more importantly, we are developing Christian leaders who, through their healing ministry, will be used by God to bring a continent to Christ. Teaching young African physicians to meet people's physical, mental, and spiritual needs—this is the true fullness of our calling."



Dr. David Thompson,
PAACS Founder

You're Invited!



Tuesday, January 18, 2022 – PAACS Partnership Engagement Virtual Event

As a reader of the PAACS Bulletin you have been touched by the mission of PAACS and realize the need to train MORE Christian surgeons for Africa. How did you first learn of PAACS? Do you know others that would be inspired by the incredible work that God is doing in Africa through PAACS?

Our ministry is growing by God's grace. To support this tremendous growth, we need to communicate the work of this ministry with those who would share our vision and feel called by God to support His important work in Africa through PAACS! **WE NEED YOUR HELP** to spread the word of the amazing impact PAACS is having across Africa. **We need you to assist in connecting us with your colleagues, neighbors, churches, and friends who believe in caring for the poor and building God's kingdom. Please connect YOUR NETWORK to PAACS!**

On January 18th we will be hosting a Virtual Partnership Engagement Event through Zoom. The guest speaker will be Dr. David Thompson, the Founder of PAACS. Consider inviting your church mission pastor, missions committee, colleagues, friends, neighbors, or family to join. We encourage you to not only invite your network but offer to meet in-person with those you invite and participate in the virtual event together!

As a PAACS supporter who is concerned about those who cannot access surgery in the under-resourced areas of Africa, tell someone about the great need for qualified African surgeons! Share with them also about how these same surgeons can reach the multitudes for Christ and offer hope to those who are suffering.

Fifty-six million people in Africa need surgical care and **EVERYONE needs the hope of Christ.**

YOU CAN HELP!



REGISTER

Does the Timing of My Gift Matter?

Perhaps you're considering one final gift to PAACS in December. Thank you! Your generosity makes a huge difference in the lives of those who desperately need surgical care in the under-resourced areas of Africa.

While there are a variety of options for giving to PAACS, if you plan to claim your gift on this year's taxes, you'll need to complete your gift by December 31st. Simple enough, right?



Actually, the specifics of this deadline vary according to what you plan to give.

- **Gifts of cash or checks** must be mailed in an envelope postmarked no later than December 31st. For last-minute gifts, your best option is to head to your local post office and ensure the envelope is postmarked with today's date. You can also donate online – [HERE](#).
- **Gifts of non-cash assets** (such as appreciated stock, real estate, business interests, and commodities) must be transferred by December 31st. Call ahead for a smooth transfer of stock or other appreciated assets.
- **If you write a check from your IRA account**, that check must be received AND PROCESSED by December 31st in order to count toward your required minimum distribution. Unlike other checks (including those sent directly from your IRA administrator) it is NOT enough that personal IRA checks are postmarked or even hand-delivered by December 31st. Please alert us when writing an IRA check so we can ensure your gift is processed immediately.
- **Gifts made into a donor-advised fund** must be transferred into the account by December 31st. You can decide later how to recommend these funds to be distributed to PAACS.

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Remember, December is incredibly busy – not only for you, but also for the post office, your financial advisors, and for us. Minimize your stress by building in an extra margin for your gifts to be given, received, and processed in time.

Peer to Peer Fundraising Event in Spokane, WA

PAACS would like to thank Dr. Stephen Murray for hosting a peer-to-peer fundraising dinner to help support surgical training in Africa on Wednesday, November 17th in Spokane, Washington. It was a great night of good food and fellowship! Those who attended the dinner were blessed by Dr. Murray's personal testimony of his service to PAACS as a short-term missionary in Africa. Deborah Pedziwol, Director of Partnership Development (PAACS) discussed the impact of the ministry over the last 25 years to Africa, as well as anticipated growth in 2022. It was good to "gather together" in person again!



We would be grateful if you would consider hosting a PAACS event in your home, at your church, or a restaurant to help us grow partnerships to support this ministry's growth in 2022 and beyond. Please reach out to Deb Pedziwol, Director of Partnership Development (PAACS) to schedule your event today!

Contact Deb by email: deborah.pedziwol@paacs.net or phone: (423) 612-1045.



Mbingo Birth Announcement

Congratulations to Dr. Roger Tankombo, PAACS Resident at Mbingo Baptist Hospital in Cameroon, and his wife, Blessing, as they welcomed their first baby boy, Kwenkuh Kwaminui, on October 30th, weighing in at 3.6 kg.



Dr. Robert Parker Serving with the American College of Surgeons

Dr. Robert Parker, PAACS Faculty at Tenwek Hospital in Kenya, has been asked to serve on the International Relations Committee of the American College of Surgeons and on the Global Engagement subcommittee with Operation Giving Back.

(Click logos below and right for more information on the ACS and Operation Giving Back.)



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Malamulo Birth Announcement

Gracious Magombo, PAACS Resident at Malamulo Adventist Hospital in Malawi and his wife, Janet, announce the healthy birth of their daughter, Theodora Sankhulani. She was born at 39 weeks and 6 days with a birthweight of 2800 gm (6.2 lb). She was named Theodora, meaning "Gift from God", because she is a great blessing to them that was endowed by God Almighty.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please pray for strength and resolve for the residents of the program at Soddo, Ethiopia, because of the political unrest. Please pray for wisdom and endurance for the faculty as some return to the region. Above all, pray that the Lord would bring lasting peace to the beautiful people of Ethiopia.
- Pray that God will lay the need for short-term surgeons to assist the programs on the hearts of those who are willing to respond. Pray for the resolution of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic in Africa which continues to interfere with some travel plans.
- Please pray for all new residents starting in January 2022.
- Pray for peace and stability in the PAACS countries, especially for the ongoing tribal unrest and famine in Ethiopia and the recurrent civil unrest in Cameroon.
- Pray for the continued rollout of the Saline Process throughout all the PAACS training sites.
- Pray that PAACS will glorify God and be used to impact Africa for His Kingdom. Pray that many lives will be saved through surgery and many people will come to know the love of Jesus.
- Pray that God will bring His chosen long and short-term missionary and national surgeons to help train African residents in the PAACS training programs.
- Pray for PAACS graduates that are serving God's people. Pray for God's grace, protection, provision, strength, and blessings to cover the PAACS graduates.
- Pray for all the PAACS faculty members and the hospitals – for personal health and safety and for financial viability of the charity hospitals in this tough time.
- Pray for those surgeons who are planning to join PAACS in the next few years – as they complete their residencies or fellowships, as they find a sending agency, as they raise the necessary money, and as they prepare for the major cultural shifts.
- Pray for the PAACS graduates and African nationals who will be preparing to become PAACS faculty, that God would prepare them spiritually and give them direction in all they do.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM HVMM IN MADAGASCAR:

1. Pray for the final stages of the OR construction to go well.
2. Pray for training nursing staff to work in the new building, including in a new recovery and high dependency unit.
3. Pray for Dr. Tefy and Dr. Rado, the new residents, as they adapt to studying in English. And please pray for the faculty as they disciple them and seek to model Christ-like surgical care.
4. Pray for the inauguration of the new building. This will be attended by many Malagasy dignitaries. Please pray that the day will bring glory to God and be an encouragement to all the staff.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PROGRAM AT AIC LITEIN HOSPITAL:

1. Thank God for continued protection, growth of the program, and how far we have come.
2. Pray for the new PAACS resident, Dr. John Ngili, who is coming in 2022, that he integrates well.
3. Pray for the individual needs for the faculty and the residents. One of the faculty has a calling to improve urology services and is praying for an opportunity to train further in urology.
4. Pray for funds to complete construction of resident housing.

“But truly God has listened; He has attended to the voice of my prayer.”
Ps 66:19

GLOBAL SURGERY LINKS

Compiled by Margaret Tarpley

- **Impact of night travel ban on road traffic crashes and fatalities in Zambia**: an interrupted time series analysis. We conclude that a night travel ban may be an effective way of reducing the burden of RTCs and RTFs in Zambia and other LMICs. However, complementary policies are needed to achieve more gains.
- **Mortality in mechanically ventilated patients in middle-income countries**: a call for action.
- **The impact of pulse oximetry on diagnosis, management and outcomes of acute febrile illness in low-income and middle-income countries**: a systematic review.
- **Outcomes after perioperative SARS-CoV-2 infection in patients with proximal femoral fractures**: an international cohort study.
- **Surveying and mapping breast cancer services in Ghana**: a cross-sectional pilot study in the Eastern Region.
- **Modelling the cost-effectiveness of essential and advanced critical care for COVID-19 patients in Kenya**.
- **Reducing surgical site infections and mortality among obstetric surgical patients in Tanzania**: a pre-evaluation and post-evaluation of a multicomponent safe surgery intervention.
- **Surgical Safety Checklist Use and Post-Caesarean Sepsis in the Lake Zone of Tanzania**: Results from Safe Surgery 2020. Adherence to the SSC may reduce maternal morbidity during caesarean delivery, reinforcing the assumption that surgical quality interventions improve maternal outcomes. Future studies should continue to explore additional synergies between surgical and maternal quality improvement.
- **TRAINING MANUAL FOR CANECSA TRAINEES AND TRAINERS 2022**
- **Spinal Anesthesia or General Anesthesia for Hip Surgery in Older Adults**.
- **Patient-Centered Outcomes after General and Spinal Anesthesia**.
- **A Nationwide Enumeration of the Surgical Workforce, its Production and Disparities in Operative Productivity in Liberia**
- **The Risk of Postoperative Complications following Major Elective Surgery in Active or Resolved COVID-19 in the United States**
- **Outcomes after perioperative SARS-CoV-2 infection in patients with proximal femoral fractures**: an international cohort study
- **Evaluation of the 3-Minute Diagnostic Confusion Assessment Method for Identification of Postoperative Delirium in Older Patients**
- **Gender-based disparities in burn injuries, care and outcomes**: A World Health Organization (WHO) Global Burn Registry cohort study
- **Evaluation of the 3-Minute Diagnostic Confusion Assessment Method for Identification of Postoperative Delirium in Older Patients**
- **Alcohol consumption and oesophageal squamous cell cancer risk in east Africa**: findings from the large multicentre ESCCAPE case-control study in Kenya, Tanzania, and Malawi.
- **Alcohol consumption as a risk factor for oesophageal squamous cell carcinoma risk in sub-Saharan Africa**
- **COVID-19 Vaccination Associated With Reduced Postoperative SARS-CoV-2 Infection and Morbidity**
- **COVID-19-related Post-intubation Tracheal Stenosis**. Early Experience With Surgical Treatment.
- **Management of Post COVID Tracheal Stenosis**: A New Twist on an Old Problem.
- **Projecting COVID-19 disruption to elective surgery**.

Happy New Year!