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For more information on the 2019 Thank Offering recipients, read the July/August 2019 issue of *Horizons* magazine or go to [www.presbyterianwomen.org/thank](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org/thank).

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Magdalene and her two babies spent nearly two months in the hospital for postpartum care and nursing. This story is not unique to Magdalene. Pregnant women in rural Cameroon often go their entire pregnancy without seeing a doctor and pre-term deliveries are common.

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