

Fatima Dar Odeh - Bio

Fatima Dar Odeh was born and raised in Dahaysha, a UN refugee camp in Bethlehem and now resides there with her husband, two sons, and daughter. She loved serving and helping others around her, which inspired her to become a nurse.

Fatima joined the Holy Family Hospital staff in 1990 and has worked there for the entirety of her career. Fatima began her career at Holy Family Hospital as a postnatal nurse and remained in that department for 11 years. During that time she enjoyed caring for recovering mothers and newborn babies. She was then transferred to be a nurse in the operating rooms. Fatima loves working in the operating theatre because of the fast-paced environment and demand.

Holy Family Hospital is a Catholic teaching maternity hospital and was established as a primary work of the Order of Malta at the request of Saint John Paul II. The doors of the Hospital are open to all who enter, without regard to ethnicity, financial need, or religious creed. In 2019 alone, over 4,700 babies were delivered and 450 infants were cared for in the neonatal intensive care unit. Holy Family Hospital is the second largest employer in Bethlehem, providing over 170 Palestinian families with jobs. Located only 1,500 steps from the birthplace of Christ, Holy Family Hospital is committed to bringing life, peace, and hope to the Holy Land which is only made possible through the caring hearts and personal sacrifices of its doctors and nurses.