



## **CFL Staff Give \$10,000 to Hospital Fund**



At a brief ceremony on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 a large contingent of staff of Consolidated Foods Limited (CFL) presented EC \$10,000 to the management of St. Jude's Hospital. The monies represent donations collected from the over 1000 staff members of the eight Super J IGA stores, Mega J, CFL's warehouses at Cul de Sac and Choc and the Head office.

The monies will be used for day to day financing of the operations at the makeshift hospital, given the many challenges which such an operation presents. Last year CFL as a company committed \$100,000 to the St. Jude's Hospital rebuilding effort. However the staff as a grouping felt moved to make a personal group contribution and raised \$10,000.

For the staff of CFL, particularly those based in the south where the company has two Super J IGA stores, Saint Jude's Hospital is synonymous with quality, efficient and warm medical care and is an important part of their history.

On September 9, 2009 St. Jude's Hospital, the main hospital in the south of the island, was gutted by an early morning fire. This left the hospital's surgical wing completely destroyed, the Pediatrics and Maternity Wards badly damaged, the kitchen totally out of commission and three persons dead. The operations of the hospital were immediately relocated to a nearby stadium, with the island's Prime Minister calling on the country to help those affected by the tragedy, to bear with the hospital and emergency services whose resources would be strained as a result and to pledge monies to assist with the rebuilding effort.