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## Minister gives birth to quadruplets

319 AKRON (AP) — Quadruplets were born to a husband-wife minister team who received eggs for an in vitro fertilization procedure from her sister.

"God is good," the Rev. Steve Clifford, 41, of Canton, a minister of the United Church of Christ, said Wednesday night.

His wife, Cheryl, 48, also a UCC minister, delivered quadruplets by Caesarian section Wednesday at Akron City Hospital. The babies, two boys and two girls, ranged from 2 pounds, 13 ounces to 3 pounds, 10 ounces.

Robert Steven, Ruth Marie and Heidi Lynn were doing well and could go home in several weeks.

Paul, the biggest at 3 pounds, 10 ounces, was taken to Akron Children's Hospital because his lungs were not fully developed. He was in serious condition today, the hospital said.

When they decided to have children, the Cliffords had difficulty conceiving, so Cheryl Clifford's sister, Heidi Kuchta, 28, of New Hartford, Conn., donated the eggs that were fertilized with Steve Clifford's sperm and implanted in his wife's womb.