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**Tan Sri Lee Lam Thye** (right) with kidney patient **M. Thiagarajah**, 66, at the MAA Medicare Dialysis Centre in Sungai Besi in Kuala Lumpur. With them is Thiagarajah's wife, **T. Sarojani**. Pic by Rosela Ismail

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** MAA Medicare Charitable Foundation has placed a plaque in its dialysis centre here at Jalan Sungai Besi in honour of Tan Sri Lee Lam Thye's two decades of contributions.

The plaque is also to symbolise the setting up of the centre in dedication to Lee's efforts to alleviate the plight of poor Malaysians suffering from kidney failure.

Lee, who recently retired as the foundation's trustee, had, among others, raised millions for the

foundation which was set up 20 years ago with one centre and a handful of patients.

The foundation's chief executive officer, Aliyah Karen, said it provides subsidised dialysis treatment at 12 centres nationwide with more than 830 patients costing RM4.5 million a year.

It also offers transport and groceries for kidney patients while children of the patients are given aid to buy school supplies for doing well in examinations.

Lee, who spoke to the *New Straits Times* during the plaque unveiling ceremony here yesterday, said he would continue to serve the foundation.

"I am happy to have served the charity to the best of my ability.

"I can't help but feel a sense of accomplishment with the way the centre has grown.

"But it's time for new blood to take over. Someone else can probably do bigger and better things besides injecting new ideas," he said.