



# Ministry Through Medical Missions

This is the St Andrews quarterly informational newsletter to keep you informed on how God is working through medical outreach.

## Honduras

Thanks to your generosity, St. Andrews sent over 100 pairs of quality used sneakers to Dr. Roger Guillen in La Ceiba, Honduras to support his medical ministry to the neediest in that community. Roger grew up in the community he now serves. His testimony is powerful and God is using him to further His kingdom. Your support helped send some members of St. Andrews to La Ceiba, Honduras in June 2016 to help build up Dr. Roger Guillen's ministry! Here is what he has to say:

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“I am currently running the MTW community medical program in La Ceiba, and have been, since I joined MTW 4 years ago. When I started as an MD in the clinic in Armenia Bonito, I have had the opportunity to grow spiritually with a magnificent team, who are more than friends, we are family. I have witnessed God make a significant contribution in my life, strengthening my faith and molding it to serve humbly in those communities lacking basic health services and devoid of faith and hope. God brought me to Jandery, my incredible wife, who is now 7 months pregnant. Our first baby, Tiana Roself, is anxious to join us next February, 2017. Our marriage has also

witnessed those small triumphs and great stumbles, while serving, learning to respect our family, our community and our ministry.

During this time, I have learned that our ministry is not only to provide medical care and medicine, but rather to guarantee a more humane, more gentle and more spiritual medical care. I have witnessed how God touches day by day many hearts and many souls. Our patients receive healing not only through medicine, but through someone who listens to them, a helping hand, a hug or a prayer.

Our goal is not to provide medicine; it is to glorify the name of our holy father using the gifts that He has given us. By offering physical, mental and spiritual healing through a doctor-patient relationship that strengthens over the years it allows us to teach more and instill a better style and quality of life.

The process has been beautiful, about 15 thousand people have been treated in our community project, in mobile clinics or in medical-dental brigades. Their beliefs have not mattered, nor their financial status, their criminal involvement or lack of God. Our project serves with quality; the numbers are not important. I thank each of you who have collaborated in one way or another so that hundreds of testimonies are possible today. Your support, prayers, and messages are a fundamental part of our work and makes each of you a valued part of this wonderful ministry. For being part of my life, my family and my patients: thank you very much.”



### **Photo**

Patients waiting to see the medical team (called a brigade) on the porch of a house church in La Ceiba, Honduras. The medical team partnered with local Honduran pastors and Dr. Guillen to serve their communities in their house church's. The team provided medical care, eye glasses and fluoride treatment to the children. The Honduran pastors were overjoyed by the response from their community. The medical team helped build trust in that community so the church may grow and thrive long after the medical team has returned home.

## Cambodia

Your support helped send some members of St. Andrews to Cambodia in the fall of 2015. That team served patients in Phnom Penh and a small village several hours outside the city. This team diagnosed several serious conditions and with the help of the local church got those patients to definitive care with financial help. This team opened hearts and minds to grace and helped shine a beautiful light on the work of the church in a largely Buddhist country.

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*“Go therefore and  
make disciples of all  
nations...”*

*Matt 28:19*

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### Photo

Villagers waiting to see the medical team in an outdoor pavilion built by Luke, an American MTW missionary, and his Khmer wife Sokha. This pavilion hosts medical clinics, English classes and youth activities for the village children. These outreach activities serve the needs of a very poor community and builds trust and opens doors to hear the Gospel. While this team was serving the villagers Kunthea, the wife of a local Khmer pastor named Samuth, was pregnant and diagnosed with a serious fetal anomaly. The presence of a Radiologist on the medical team through the use of a portable ultrasound machine made that unfortunate diagnosis possible. An experienced Obstetrical Nurse on the team provided medical expertise, compassion, care and prayer. Through a continued relationship after the team left, this nurse was able to mentor and guide Kunthea, who was a devastated mom, through the proper medical steps to get the care she needed to safely deliver her stillborn infant. God has followed through with Kunthea and Samuth as she gave birth to a healthy baby girl in November 2016. God sent this team and this nurse at this time and for this reason. His ways are mysterious and magnificent! St. Andrews is every bit a part of this team, this mom, her story and God’s work. Please continue to pray for this young pastor and his family, the missionaries in Cambodia, the wonderful Khmer people and for God’s will to be served there.



### Scheduled Medical teams as of December 8, 2016

	PROJECT	DATES	NOTES Trips are open to medical & non-medical personnel unless otherwise noted	APPROX. PROJECT COST	APPROX. AIRFARE
Africa	North Africa	end of March - mid-April 2017	all personnel needed	\$1,350	varies
Asia	Philippines	January 27 - February 10, 2017	1 provider still needed	\$1,300 - 1,400	\$1,200 - 1,500
	Southeast Asia	January 26 - February 5, 2017	all personnel needed	\$1,500 - 1,600	\$1,100 - 1,800
	Southeast Asia	Summer 2017	Women's Health Symposium: health professionals, counselors, and others interested in women's ministry needed	TBD	varies
Caribbean	Trinidad	January 14 - 22, 2017	team is full; prayers appreciated	\$1,100-1,200	varies
	Trinidad	March 25 - April 1, 2017	all personnel needed	\$1,100-1,200	varies
Europe	Bulgaria	December 2 -10, 2016	team is full; prayers appreciated	\$920	\$1,300
Latin America	Belize	Fall 2016	male provider needed	\$810	\$400-600
	Belize	December 28, 2016 - January 5, 2017	pharmacist needed	\$810	\$400-600
	El Salvador	February 11 - 18, 2017	1- 2 nurses needed	TBD	\$400-600
<b>Training</b>					
Advanced Medical Leadership Training (AMLT)	International	2018	Training on how to effectively and safely lead medical mission teams.	varies	varies

More locations are open to receiving medical teams; if you have a location you are interested in going to, contact us!

Note: Pregnant women are not permitted to travel on short-term teams outside of the United States.

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