



GLOBAL HOPE
INTERNATIONAL

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MEDICAL MISSIONS: MAKING A DIFFERENCE





KENYA

PATIENTS: 785

The Kenya medical mission was led by Mike and Tuesday Trudel. Tuesday is a Nurse Practitioner who specializes in geriatric care. There was a total of nine medical and non-medical volunteers representing the Global Hope International team. This was the third year we deployed a team to serve the people of Machakos in partnership with I Can Fly School and Blessed Links.

The three-day clinic was slightly changed this year allowing for the community to receive services for two days. The third day was dedicated to caring for the girls from I Can Fly School in addition to the students from a neighboring school. Medical care included general medicine, OBGYN, and dental care. Kevra, a Dental Assistant student and Global Hope International team member, provided dental cleanings and applied fluoride on the patients' teeth.

In previous years, we were made aware of the need to provide health seminars for the girls at I Can Fly School. We focused on educating the students regarding proper personal hygiene and puberty, along with the overall changes in their bodies. Dr. Kiragu, an OBGYN associated with Blessed Links and served alongside our team, led these seminar sessions at the conclusion of each clinic day.

Most of the medical complaints consisted of joint pain, cold/cough, allergy and stomach issues. Many of the issues were addressed with the medications the team had available. This year, to ensure we had enough medications, we purchased in-country medications and the team brought medications to properly care for all patients. Our friends at Joyful Giving donated Joy Maker Bags filled with toothbrushes, toothpaste and lip balm.



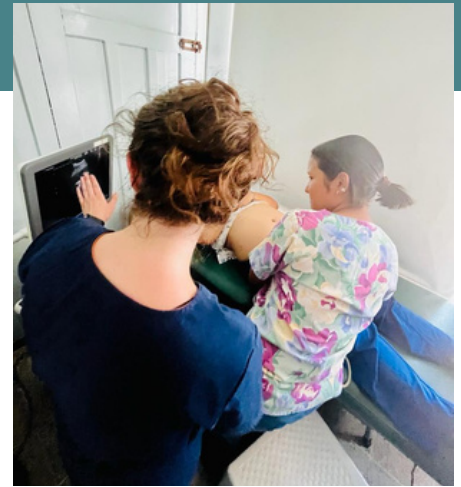


DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: 517

The medical mission to the Dominican Republic was the first time we partnered with Isidro Mejia and his organization. Our primary goal was to meet the medical needs of sugar cane workers and their families who are in remote areas outside of La Romana. Access to medical care is very difficult because of the overall healthcare costs and distance. The connection with Isidro made it possible for us to serve three Batey communities; El Batey Gato, Batey 22 and Batey 62. We also provided care at the community clinic in La Romana, which is funded by Isidro's organization.

Some of the command medical complaints included respiratory issues, stomach pain, skin conditions, and allergies. There were some serious wounds that needed immediate attention as well. For example, two five days before our arrival, two girls suffered second degree burns as a result of a garbage pile explosion. Their wounds had not been treated until we came to the remote village. The local doctor, Dr. Gerard, accompanied our team and was able to remove the burned skin. In true Global Hope fashion, our accompanying nurse then cleaned the affected areas and applied bandages. We also saw two men who had severe wounds on their lower extremities. One gentleman was from an injury that occurred while working at the dump and the other was a diabetic foot wound that wasn't healing properly. Our nurses were able to clean the wounds, bandage them, and gave them supplies to properly care for themselves at home.





HONDURAS PATIENTS: 318

In September we partnered with Travis Morin of Roatan Ministries and Bill and Melissa Guzman of Building Hope in Roatan. This was the first time a Global Hope International medical team served with these organizations. Travis leads a number of outreach initiatives on Roatan Island. He put us in contact with the Guzmans who led medical missions and have a heart for people suffering from drug addiction. Melissa is a nurse practitioner who specializes in pediatric medicine. She coordinated all our in-country efforts.

During our four-day medical mission we provided care for communities on the east and west sides of the island. We set up a clinic at a different location each day. The first day our team's doctors and pharmacy team assisted local doctors at Clinica Esperanza. Our nurses did house visits with their street medicine team. Over the following three days, we also did medical clinics for people who work and live around the dump, delivered services for the Milton Bight community, and served with a doctor at the New Life Clinic.

In addition to the medical clinics, Cayla, our team member and Labor and Delivery nurse, trained the staff at New Life Clinic on how to use the sonogram machine which had been donated to them two years earlier. The medical staff were appreciative of having received the necessary training. They are now able to provide sonogram examinations for pregnant patients and properly monitor the growth and health of babies in utero.



FREE POP-UP MEDICAL CLINIC ALLENTOWN, PA

YEAR 2023

In August, we collaborated with Remote Area Medical (RAM) to organize a Free Pop-Up Medical Clinic at Executive Education Academy Charter School in Allentown, PA. The event was an enormous success, serving a total of 245 patients and administering 353 medical services, including dental, vision, and general medical care. The total worth of the complimentary services provided was \$95,976. Moreover, 80 patients received referrals to Valley Health Partners for follow-up care, and Star Community Health for additional services. Female patients also had the opportunity to schedule mammogram appointments with Lehigh Valley Health Network's Topper Cancer Institute. Most of the patients served were Lehigh County residents, totaling 189, of which 140 reside in the City of Allentown.

Following is a summary of the services provided and patient count:

- 64 dental exams and 106 procedures were done, which included extractions, fillings, and cleanings.
- 119 vision exams and 132 glasses were uniquely made for patients.
- 172 medical exams were provided.

Global Hope International acknowledges the financial support received through grant funding and sponsorships that helped make this clinic possible. Our funders included Lehigh County COVID-19 Relief 2023 Non-Profit Assistance Grant, United Way – Fund for Racial Justice and Equity, B. Braun, Life Church, Lehigh Valley Health Network, Word FM and Grille 3501. We also received food donations used to feed the clinic volunteers from Chick-fil-A (Whitehall), MOD Pizza, WAWA, 3 Men & A Bagel and Kathi Andino.

Many community partners hosted tables at the clinic, giving patients an opportunity to learn about resources that are available to them beyond medical services. These organizations included Allentown Health Bureau, United Way Age Friendly of the Lehigh Valley, Valley Youth House, Aetna Medicare Solutions, Highmark Wholecare, Miller-Keystone Blood Center, NAACP Easton Chapter, and Sequential Technology International. Life Church provided snacks for the patients while they waited to be seen.



PLANS FOR 2024

The world is in dire need of medical assistance, and we're committed to answering that call. In 2024, we are expanding our reach by launching more international medical missions. We are thrilled to partner with two new organizations in Nicaragua and Peru while revisiting our partners in the Dominican Republic and Honduras. Our efforts will extend locally as well, with a second Free Pop-Up Medical Clinic in Allentown, PA and assisting at a clinic in Philadelphia, PA.

Would you like to join us? Sign up now and let's make a meaningful impact! Visit globalhopeinternational.org/pagego for additional information.



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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MEDICAL MISSION TRIP
MARCH 3-9

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HONDURAS MEDICAL MISSION TRIP
MAY 5-11

MEDICAL & NON-MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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NICARAGUA MEDICAL MISSION TRIP
JULY 14-19

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SEPT 8-14

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SUPPORT MEDICAL MISSIONS

Can't go - there are still plenty of ways you can support this important work.

- Join the Hope Club, which is a monthly giving program that provides sustained support to medical missions, locally and globally.
- Purchase items from our Amazon Wishlist, which includes specific items needed for upcoming medical missions.
- Contribute funds to assist with hosting the Free Pop-Up Medical Clinic in Allentown, PA.

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Become a Member

The **HOPE CLUB** brings people - just like you - together to make an impact and bring HOPE to people around the world.

Your generosity helps ensure medical care and medications are delivered to underserved communities and global partners are supported.

HOPE CLUB member benefits:

- For a recurring donation of \$50/month or more receive a Hope Club t-shirt.
- Receive the Hope Club Newsletter - updates on our initiatives and partnerships. Hear first hand testimonials about the impact our teams are having because of your support.
- Receive priority notification about upcoming trips and events.
- Donations are tax-deductible.

Sign up at globalhopeinternational.org/give or use the QR Code



We are deploying four international medical missions in 2024 and are in need of medications and supplies. Check out the Amazon Wishlist at tinyurl.com/GlobalHopeMeds or scan the QR Code.



Volunteer with Us!

Volunteering can also make a huge difference in the success of these missions. Whether you are a medical professional or simply have a desire to help, there are opportunities available to get involved. We need assistance with preparing supplies and sorting medications for the 2024 trips. We also need a team to help make calls to local nonprofits and medical providers for the Free Pop-Up Medical Clinic we are hosting in Allentown, October 2024. We have something for everyone! To get started email us at info@globalhopeinternational.org.

THANK YOU

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Because of generous donors and grant funding, Global Hope International raised \$80k in 2023. These funds were used to purchase medications, medical supplies, covered the cost of in-country travel for teams, paid translators and local doctors who worked alongside our providers to deliver much needed care. Your generosity also made the Free Pop-Up Medical Clinic in Allentown, PA possible. We would not be able to do what we do without your encouragement, confidence, and investment. The hope we bring is a result of your generosity.

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This number represents every woman, man and child that received free medical care during our international and domestic clinics. We are grateful for every team member who gave of their time and talents to serve. We get to see firsthand how great the needs are and the compassion in which the care is delivered. We anticipate 2024 will be filled with the same commitment to serving and seeing the needs of the underserved met.

Thank you for all your support and ensuring Global Hope International continues to fulfill its mission to bring hope to people around the world through the gift of health.

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