

It's been three weeks since we returned from Haiti after a successful trip where we treated over 1500 patients during our second annual **Clinique Medicale**. I'm still on my 'Haiti High'! Over the course of six days, we setup our 'church clinic' in four different locations. Two of these involved long trips up and down the mountain over a long, windy and sometimes treacherous road to bring much-needed medical services to Haitians in very remote locations. But most exciting of all, we treated patients in our brand, new church building! Scaffolds were still up and workers were plastering the inside walls, but we had a roof over our head to shield the sun thanks to our great 2014 work teams.

Once again we thank Dr. John Schmitt (Family Medicine physician in Lancaster County) and Randy Varain (paramedic from Nevada) who spent many long and hot hours in the makeshift exam rooms, treating over 1500 patients non-stop. Just to give you a sense of some of the diagnoses we encountered, I included a list at the end of the article. One of my favorite patients was a little boy with Downs Syndrome, whose father brought him to our clinic to be treated for swollen lips. He was so willing to be treated and very respectful. I hope to look him up on a future trip to see how he is doing.

Dr. Schmitt also performed minor surgery on a lady for a breast abscess which needed an incision and drainage; she gave birth three days prior to her visit to the clinic. There was also a man who had a badly infected foot that needed an incision and drainage; he traveled down the mountain several days later on his brother's motorcycle for a follow-up visit and showed great improvement. He was so thankful that we were able to treat him and it was a joy to know that God put us in the right place at the right time. And the surgery didn't end when the clinic packed up for the day. One evening when we assembled for dinner, the manager of our hotel stopped by with a young girl who had stepped on a sea urchin and needed help to remove the painful spines imbedded in the bottom of her foot. John grabbed his kit and spent some time extracting them before rejoining us for dinner. The family of this young girl was in the final stage of adopting their second child, this one from a nearby orphanage, and we got to know them quite well over the remaining week.

We had a team of eleven with us this week and everyone worked together to make this more than just a medical trip. My niece, Samantha (a.k.a. Sam) joined us. This was her first trip to Haiti and she worked closely with Terri to entertain the many children who came to clinic. She was like a 'Pied Piper' and no matter where she walked, kids were trailing behind, or where she sat, kids were on her lap. She didn't know any Creole except for two words that her friend told her: *zaboka* which means avocado and *tèt* which means head. So all week, she kept calling the kids 'avocado heads', which made them laugh.

My mom came down again and just had a wonderful time holding...and holding...and holding the babies. It didn't matter to her that without diapers, there was some leakage that she had to endure. She just sang lullabies to infants and handed out lollipops to the toddlers. As we came to know later, she was 'dropping her false teeth' to the older kids who were outside peeking in, which made them laugh. Jeff's father Lester also joined us and spent time with the people in line. Lester and his wife Dolores were previously missionaries in Haiti. I always enjoy when Lester joins us on our trips as he teaches us much about the Haitian culture. He spent time talking with the people about Jesus and praying for and with them. It was such a blessing to look up from the pharmacy and see him with his arms around someone, lifting them up to our Father in Heaven.

About the pharmacy, I can't say enough about Bill and Mary Lou Neidig. They joined us, not exactly knowing what they would be doing, and just took over organizing the medications, keeping the inventory up-to-date and helping to dispense the prescriptions. Bill was a whiz at setup and breakdown; one of those guys who just 'does' without having to be asked. Mary Lou found her niche working at the pharmacy 'window' with me, writing names on the bags (and believe me – that was tough), and working with our interpreter to explain the instructions. And finally, it was a pleasure to have my husband Mike join us on this trip. He's a mechanical engineer and was also very adept at organizing and making sure we had enough supplies in individual bags for the patients. He and Bill worked as a team to prepare the 'unique' and sometimes challenging doses that John and Randy requested.

As they say, a picture is worth a thousand words, and I think the images on the next few pages will give you a sense of how God used this team to minister to His people in Haiti.

*Prayer
before clinic*



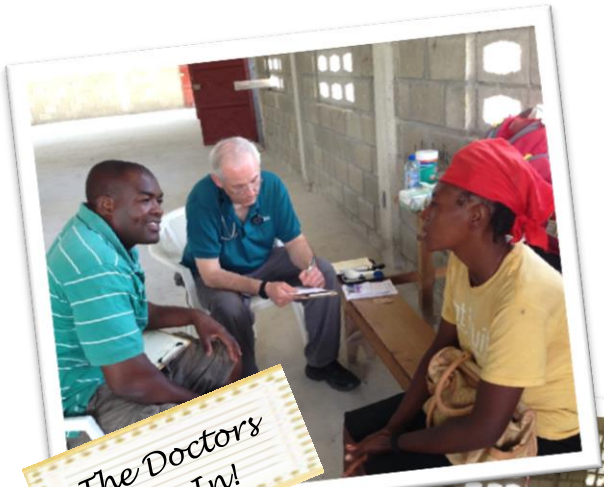
*Waiting in
Line*



Greatest trip of my 47 year involvement in mission work in Haiti. The Medical Team's spirit of volunteering to help was inspiring. Humble gratitude for the medical help was rewarding. It was a true privilege to pray with some of the sick.
Lester

*Prayer of
the Faithful*





The Doctors are In!



Mammau to the Rescue

Randy and John were so amazing, and so patient with the people, especially the families. I also couldn't get over how much the kids like to touch my hair...I guess they don't see much grey hair in Haiti.
Grace (aka Mammaw)



"Chelitis, Downs Syndrome, Worms, Stroke, Breast Cancer, Hives, Ringworm, Keloids, Upper Respiratory Infections, Abdominal Pain, Worms, Urinary Tract Infections, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Ringworm, Typhoid, Hives, Worms, Shingles, Malaria, Scabies, Hernias, Ulcers, Ringworm, Dehydration...Did I mention Worms and Ringworm?!?!?" *Dr. Schmitt*



"Amazing that our team could supply approximately 100,000 pills and vitamins in just 6 days." *Mike*

It's here somewhere..



Kids...Kids Having fun!



"My two main highlights were seeing the kids smile and being truly inspired by the care and help being offered to the people of Haiti." *Sam*

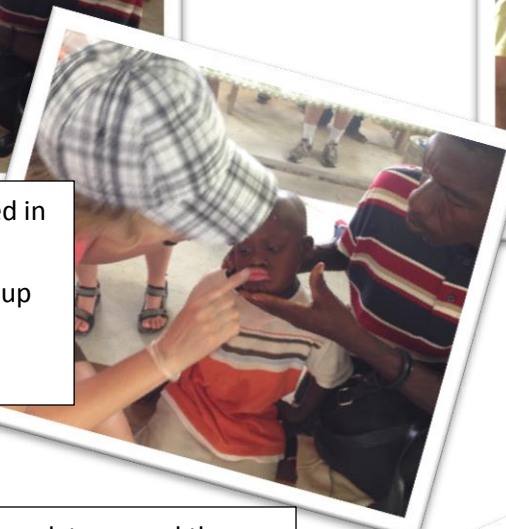


How do you spell that???



"This little guy just reached in and grabbed hold of my heart. I want to look him up on my next trip down."

Tammy



*Lining Up
Bill's Pills*



*Dude with
the Drugs*

I was on the second work team and the feeling I had when I saw the building this trip was indescribable. I could only think of how much of a blessing it is going to be to the community and I know that God has great plans for the new Church.

Bill



A flashlight shines the same in the light as it does in the darkness, but it shines with more brilliance in the dark. God has shown me that our medical team was the light I saw in the eyes of the Haitian people as we served them on the medical trip.

Mary Lou



*Medical
Consultation?*

We are very thankful for those who served on this trip. We were so blessed by their joy and their overflowing of love as they ministered to the needs of the people.

Jeff and Terri



*The
Team*

I was reminded recently about a book written by Bruce Wilkinson several years ago entitled 'The Prayer of Jabez' based on 1 Chronicles 4:10. In this verse, Jabez prays that God would bless him, expand his territory, be with him and spare him harm. We pray that God will use CrossRoads to expand His kingdom among the Haitians. God has been expanding our territory with the **Building Project**. Thanks to the March Work Team, iron for the roof trusses was cut, welded and assembled. These were later set by the Haitians and the tin was installed to get the building under roof in time for the Medical Clinique.

All of the teams from the States did a great job of quickly getting the building under roof and workers are now finishing the inside. The remaining work, including painting both inside and outside, will be completed by local Haitians. Below are pictures from the March trip.



Cutting the Iron

Break Time!

Welders at Work

Raising the Roof!

Smoothing it Out

Ready for Clinique!!

Our next step is to solicit funding for the furniture and supplies needed to begin services, start Sunday School classes and open a kindergarten class in the new building come September. Below is a list of what is needed and prices for each. We ask that you prayerfully consider helping us complete the project. If you wish to donate for a specific item, please note it when sending in your contribution.



<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Initial Goal</u>
Pews (16-foot length)	\$85 each	20
Table with 4 Chairs	\$100 per set	20
Creole Bibles	\$10 each	100
Creole Hymnals	\$8 each	100

God has truly blessed CrossRoads, He is expanding our territory and keeping our teams safe as we do His work in Haiti. Thanks for supporting us through your prayers and financial gifts.

God is good...all the time!

Prayer Requests

Praise for God's provisions, financially and with volunteers who support our many projects.

Wisdom and guidance as God reveals His choice for the Pastor of our church. Lester and Terri spent time interviewing a potential candidate during the April trip. We pray that this Spiritual Leader will provide guidance to our in-country staff and boys.

Safety for the volunteers hosting a Vacation Bible School in July.

Guidance to identify programs to help the people in the surrounding community. We are looking at starting an Adult Literacy Program.

God's continued direction and opportunities to advance the Gospel in Haiti.

How to Make a Donation to CrossRoads

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Many of you have seen our theme verse for CrossRoads in newsletter after newsletter, social media, and our website, which says, "Stop at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it." (Jeremiah 6:16). On behalf of the CrossRoads Board, we would like to ask everyone to take time and celebrate what these words from the Lord truly mean to our organization. So please join with us to "stop" on June 16th (6:16) and spend a few minutes of your day in prayer, asking the Lord to provide wisdom, discernment and direction to CrossRoads in the year to come.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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As we reflect on where the Lord has taken us in the past two years, we are ecstatic about the path God has provided in bringing others to know Him and we ask that you partner with us in a day of praising the Lord and giving thanks for His provisions to the people of Haiti.

Thank you for your support!