

Healthy Babies in Cameroon because of YOU



Healing and Hope MISSION DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

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Lynn Powe recently returned from a short-term service with Mission Doctors in rural Cameroon, West Africa. One of her tasks was to help with vaccinations, including recording them in the UNICEF Vaccination Record Book. Each child has a health record and is assigned a number. She quickly saw first-hand how different the recording process for vaccinations is in Cameroon than in the United States – children are generally not given a name for their first month of life, and their address is often much more specific than in the US. She was encouraged by the number of children who came to be vaccinated, as Lynn told us “It was packed!”

There is good news: child vaccination rates in Cameroon are increasing. In

2004, less than 50% of children got all recommended immunizations. By 2011, that number had grown to nearly 60%. This is in part thanks to nurses like Lynn, who administered vaccines, and supporters like you, who make Lynn’s service possible.

The World Health Organization estimates that 20% of under-five deaths—approximately two million deaths annually—could be prevented with existing vaccines.

Thanks to your support, Mission Doctors are on the ground in Africa and Latin America providing medical care including vaccinations. You are our partner in this mission of healing. Thank you.

Make a Difference

Because of YOU there is good news around the World

What you can Do Today

Sign up for our email newsletter at missiondoctors.org/newsletters

Donate today at missiondoctors.org/donate

Become a member of our Vital Corps, our growing monthly giving program
missiondoctors.org/vital-corps

You are a change maker. You are making a difference in this world.

Mission Doctors Association is on the ground in Africa and Latin America providing lifesaving medical care and training for local health care professionals. We could not do this work without you!

In 2000, the United Nations established eight international development goals regarding poverty, health and education. In 2015, the success of these goals was evaluated and because of people like you and our Mission Doctors, the good news is that there have been dramatic improvements.

Just in Time for the Holidays!

Support Mission Doctors Association while you do your holiday shopping.

Visit smile.amazon.com, select Mission Doctors Association as your charity of choice, and a portion of every Amazon purchase made through the site will go to MDA, without any additional cost to you!

Register on iGive.com and shop more than 1,700 stores that have partnered to support charity, and up to 20% of every purchase will go to support the work of Mission Doctors Association.

Thank You



Mission Doctor Mark Druffner caring for patients in rural Tanzania, East Africa

Since 1990, **child mortality in Sub-Saharan Africa has dropped over 52%**! Because of your support, Mission Doctors in Sub-Saharan Africa are caring for patients and training local medical professionals. Dr. Mark Druffner serves for several months each year with his family in rural Tanzania and provides lifesaving care for the youngest patients.



Mission Doctor Antoinette Lullo caring for a young mother in Peru

Because of generous people like you, the **maternal mortality rate has dropped over 40% in Latin America!** Mission Doctor Antoinette Lullo spent three years caring for young mothers and assuring safe deliveries at Santa Clotilde, Peru. She continues supporting the mission hospital by returning to help provide training and direct patient care.

Since 2001, the number of people newly infected with HIV world-wide dropped 33%! In Zimbabwe, Mission Doctors partners with the Dominican Sisters at St. Therese Hospital to provide education and anti-retroviral drugs to treat HIV.

Unfortunately, even with all of this good news, there is still more work to do. Today, 400 million people around the world do not have access to essential health services. Everyday, 16,000 children under 5 continue to die, mostly from preventable causes.

Your continuing support of Mission Doctors is vital to continue to follow Christ's call to 'Heal the Sick'.

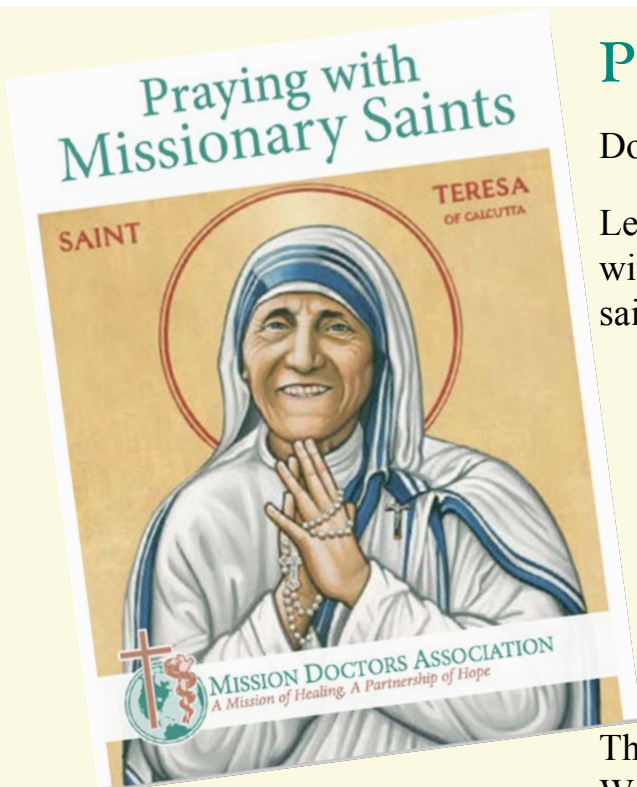


Healthy Mom and Baby leaving St. Therese Hospital in rural Zimbabwe, East Africa

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We are so thankful for your support of Mission Doctors.

On behalf of the thousands of patients cared for Mission Doctors around the world, thank you. Thank you for your prayerful support of sustainable healthcare around the world. Together, we are making good news around the world.




Pray with Missionary Saints

Download our newest ebook, Praying with Missionary Saints!

Learn about Missionary Saints through their life stories and pray with them. In this book, you'll discover more about the following saints, all of whom had their own lasting impact on our Church:

- St. Paul
- St. Therese of Lisieux
- St. Francis Xavier
- St. Mother Teresa
- St. Damien of Molokai
- St. Frances Cabrini
- St. Mother Theodore Guerin
- Blessed Stan Rother

This free resource is on our website www.MissionDoctors.org. We are excited for you to read it and pray it blesses you.



Truly, I say to you, as you did
it to one of the least of these
my brothers, you did it to me.
Matthew 25:40

*Thank you for seeing Jesus in lives of poor around the world.
You are our Partner in this Mission of Hope.*

Upcoming Events

Discernment Weekend February 2-4, 2018

For doctors who have ever considered the long-term service options with Mission Doctors, there is a no obligation discernment weekend at our Mission House and we would like to extend you an invitation! Contact our office for more information.

March 9-11, 2018: Spring Retreat/Seminar

Doctors and their spouses interested in short-term service are invited to a Retreat/Seminar at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles. Take the time to reflect on God's call and discuss the practical issues of medical licenses, visas, and international health insurance. Visit the MDA website for more information.

Mark your calendars!

'Heart for the World Gala' - February 24, 2018



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