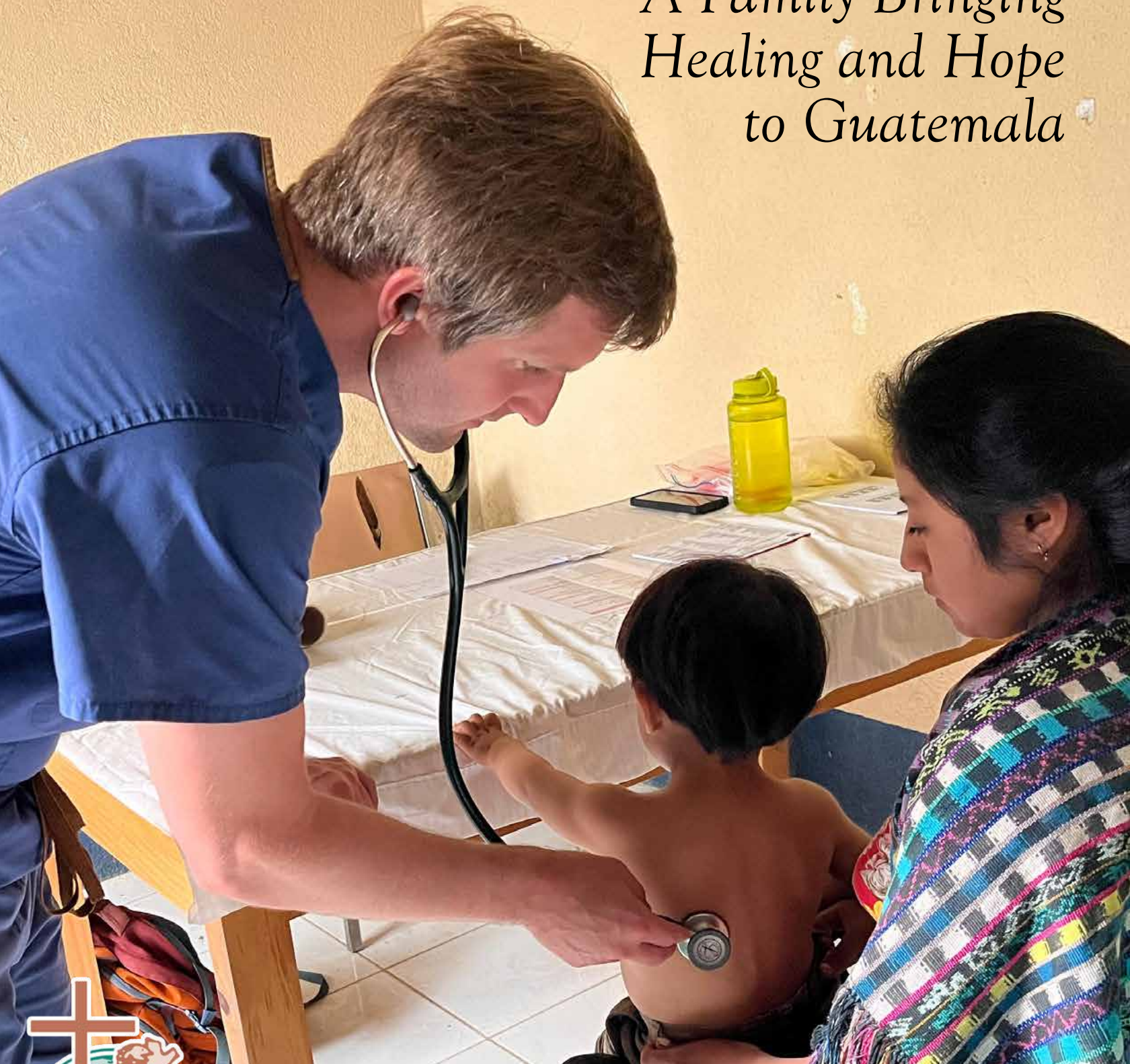


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## A Family's Yes: Serving Together in Guatemala

For Drs. Brian and Robyn Jennings, the call to serve as Mission Doctors was never just personal—it was something they felt called to do as a family. Serving along with their four young children, Drs. Brian and Robyn Jennings are serving the communities around Lake Atitlán in Guatemala. Here they are living out their shared commitment to love God and serve their neighbors, providing care and living as witnesses of this love.

Dr. Brian and Robyn Jennings, Mission Doctors serving as a family with their youngest son, James—your generosity helps make long-term mission possible

Guided by Christ's commandment to love one another as He has loved us, the Jennings family prays daily to live out that call as Catholic medical missionaries, and as a family.

Their work spans several sites in and around the small town of Cerro de Oro, caring for communities with limited access to healthcare. At Hospital Obras Sociales in San Lucas Tolimán, they serve in the clinic, emergency room, maternity department, and inpatient ward. They also partner with Hospitalito Atitlán, providing care through outreach clinics in surrounding rural areas, continuing a legacy of service by former Mission Doctors. In addition to this work, they support Gospel of Life Disciples, serving the elderly in their own town.



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James shares a sweet moment during a home visit, reminding us that mission work touches hearts of all ages

Each setting brings different challenges and blessings. From home visits in rural villages to hospital-based care. Patients often tell Brian and Robyn how much they appreciate that they offer something the patients value most: time. “We hear so often, “Thank you for taking time with me.” In places where resources are limited and staff are stretched thin, the ability to take the time to listen, educate, and walk with patients from diagnosis through treatment becomes a powerful form of healing.



The Jennings children are certainly a big part of their mission as well. Living near Lake Atitlán, they are learning Spanish, and even some Tz'utujil, making new friends and playing plenty of soccer. Yet Robyn shared that more importantly, she and Brian hope this experience shapes how they see the world. “We pray they grow up with a sense that the world is full of beautiful places and people who are different from themselves, and that they learn to ‘do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God (Micah 6:8).”

Dr. Jennings visiting St. James the Apostle Church where Blessed Stanley Rother Priest, Missionary, and Martyr served the people of Santiago Atitlán

Like many mission families, the greatest challenge has been distance from loved ones. Spending Christmas and New Year's far from extended family was not easy. Yet the warmth of their Guatemalan community—shared meals, local traditions, and new friendships—helped transform that loss into connection.

For the Jennings family, this mission is only possible because of the generosity and prayers of Mission Doctors supporters. “We can tell people are praying for us,” they say. “We feel so blessed to be part of the Mission Doctors family. We would not be able to do what we do without your support.”

*With gratitude, we thank you, the donors who make it possible for families like the Jennings to say yes—bringing compassionate, faith-filled medical care to communities in need, and forming the next generation in service, humility, and love.*



*Christmas with the Jennings family: four young children, two devoted Mission Doctors, and a shared call to bring Christ's love to those in need*

## *An Easy, Tax-Smart Way to Make a Lasting Difference and Hope*

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“Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.”  
— Matthew 25:40

Through your generous support—including gifts made through a donor-advised fund (DAF)—you help ensure compassionate, lifesaving care reaches Christ present in the most vulnerable patients around the world.

**A gift from your DAF is a simple and meaningful way to support Mission Doctors and help Catholic healthcare professionals serve patients in need around the world.** Whether it's, supporting families serving long-term missions like the Jennings, or providing training for local healthcare workers, your DAF gift directly enables lifesaving care. Best of all, it's an easy, tax-smart way to give.

Take action today: Direct your donor-advised fund gift to Mission Doctors Association and help bring healing to patients and communities worldwide. **We are deeply grateful for your support and for the prayers that sustain this work.**

If you would like assistance in making a gift through your donor-advised fund, please reach out to Elise in our office—we are always happy to help. You can e-mail her directly at [efrederick@missiondoctors.org](mailto:efrederick@missiondoctors.org) or call (213) 368-1875.



*Mission Doctor Zachary Gastelum cares for a young patient—your generosity, including gifts through donor-advised funds, helps make moments of healing like this possible.*



# A HEART FOR THE WORLD *Mardi Gras*

February 14, 2026

Center at Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels

Join us for a festive evening filled with the spirit of Mardi Gras—joy, generosity, and community—all in support of the lifesaving work of Mission Doctors Association.

Together, we'll celebrate not only the calling of Catholic healthcare professionals who serve patients with compassion and dignity around the world, but the generous donors who make this service possible.

This year's recipient of the Msgr. The Anthony Brouwers Award will be presented to Brother John Kiesler, OFM, in recognition of his 25 years of support and leadership.

So dust off your dancing shoes, find your beads, and join us as we celebrate faith in action—and the incredible community that makes this mission thrive.



Visit [www.MissionDoctors.org/Gala](http://www.MissionDoctors.org/Gala)  
to purchase tickets, visit the silent auction and learn more!

## Upcoming Events

### Spring Retreat/Seminar

April 17-19, 2026

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. Email Program Coordinator, Amie Garcia at [agarcia@missiondoctors.org](mailto:agarcia@missiondoctors.org) to learn more and reserve your spot!

### Appreciation Mass and Brunch

April 19, 2026

You are invited to join us to celebrate our annual Mass at Loyola Marymount University Chapel, in Los Angeles, followed by a lovely brunch. This year, we have a guest speaker, Mission Doctor Dr. Peter Meade. He will be sharing his experience caring for our brothers and sisters in war-torn Sudan. Contact our office for more information and RSVP at [info@missiondoctors.org](mailto:info@missiondoctors.org).



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