

MEDICAL + MINISTRY
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2019

ANNUAL REPORT



Providing health care *for* lasting change

This is a year of celebration and looking back on God's faithfulness over these 50 years of providing health care for lasting change. We have witnessed lasting change in the communities we serve as they develop medical capacity through health centers, one and two-week projects, and local initiatives.

We will experience in these pages the impact of Medical Ministry International as seen through the eyes of our project team participants. Whether it was their first project, or their twentieth project, all of them have experienced the joy of helping the hurting and the hope of healing.

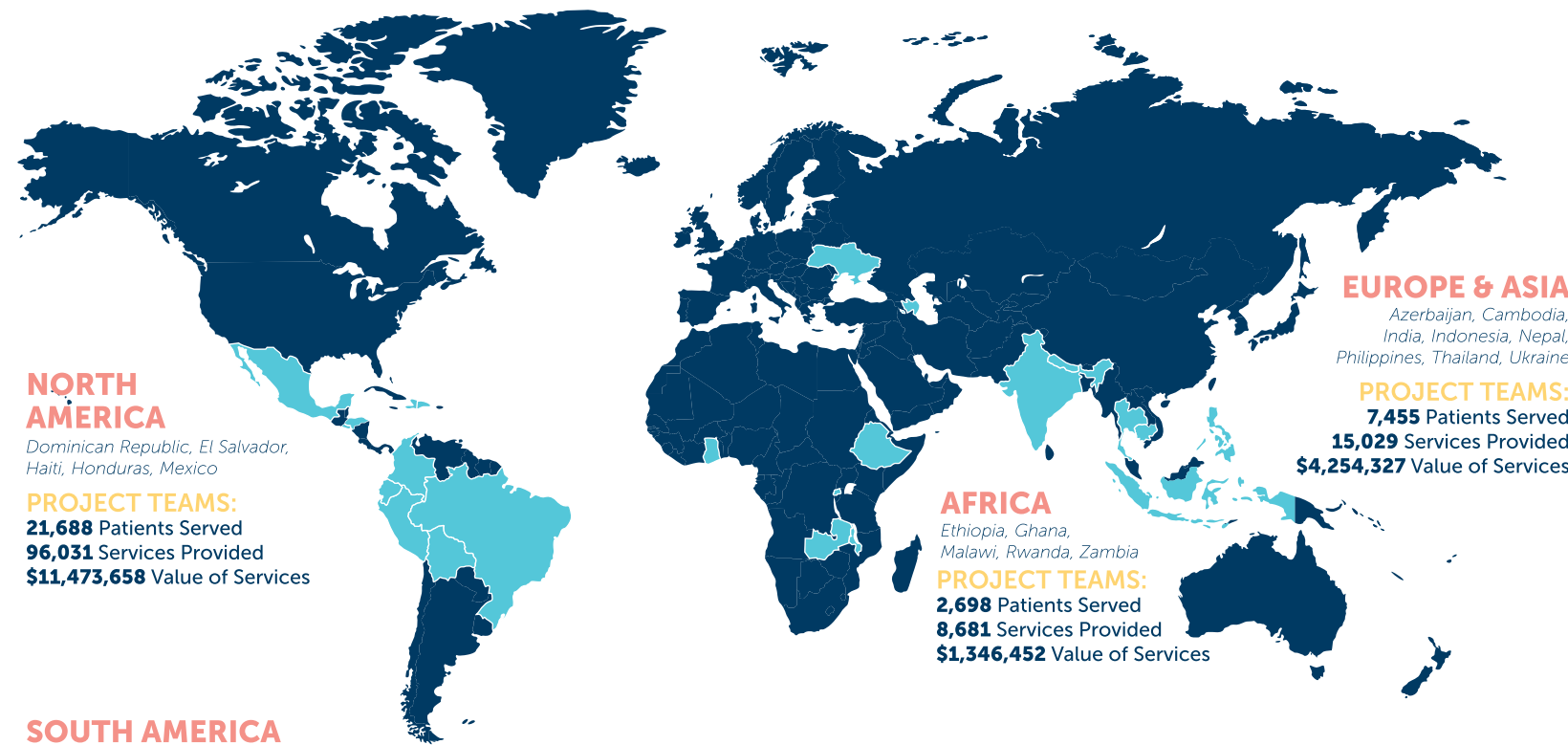
Join us as we praise the God of yesterday, today, and tomorrow!



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Executive Director



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SOUTH AMERICA
Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru

PROJECT TEAMS:
26,584 Patients Served
94,290 Services Provided
\$10,691,478 Value of Services

AFRICA
Ethiopia, Ghana, Malawi, Rwanda, Zambia
PROJECT TEAMS:
2,698 Patients Served
8,681 Services Provided
\$1,346,452 Value of Services

EUROPE & ASIA
Azerbaijan, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Philippines, Thailand, Ukraine
PROJECT TEAMS:
7,455 Patients Served
15,029 Services Provided
\$4,254,327 Value of Services

GLOBAL IMPACT IN 2019



23 Countries



\$27,765,915
Value of Project Services



15 Health Centers and Partners

50 YEARS OF MEDICAL MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL

“God has done amazing things through the ministry of MMI over the past 50 years.

Through the leadership teams, country and project directors, staff, and the many participants who have all used their talents, abilities and heart to serve, compassionate care has been given to so many people in need in so many places.

May God continue to use the ministry of MMI to share the Good News, the love of Christ, to the ends of the earth.”

Dennis Azuma, DDS

1969



John and Sheila Shannon lead the ministry from 1969 to 1983 beginning with projects in Dominican Republic (DR) and many at the compound La Posada in Boca de Nigua, DR.

1979



Hurricane David is devastating for the growing DR ministry. Relief fundraising efforts provide seed funding to start building an eye hospital in Los Alcarrizos, DR, which later opens in 1984 as “Hospital Dr. Elias Santana”.

1984



William T Hunter, Jr and Janice Hunter – Willie begins as General Director and leads the ministry for 28 years with project expansion, residency training programs in ophthalmology, and the building of permanent centers of service.

2001



Following a successful multi-million-dollar matching campaign, multiple health centers are built, including those in Azerbaijan and Ecuador, which build on the presence of the project team ministry.

2010



The Peru ministry launches a health center in a rental property to provide ongoing physical therapy and optical services in Arequipa. Later dental and OB-Gyn services are added.

2015



Leanne Ferris begins as the Executive Director of the international ministry, following her leadership of the Canadian ministry since 2007, and her involvement on project teams since the early 1990s.

2019



Medical Ministry International celebrates its 50th anniversary by launching fresh branding and affirming our calling to provide health care for lasting change.



79
Project Teams

(846)
Participant
Volunteers

58,425 Patients
Served

214,031 Services
Provided

“ During those two weeks [in the Dominican Republic], not only did I learn more about medicine, but I also had the opportunity to grow under the guidance of some of the most caring medical professionals, develop a passion for surgery, and gain a deeper understanding of what it truly means to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ.

ALYSE DELCAMBRE
Student from San Marcos, TX



MENTORING FOR TOMORROW



The Physical Therapy team went to Santa Rita, Peru to provide care to pediatric patients, where we gave out orthotics, wheelchairs, and various other assistive devices. Knowing that what I provided to these children will help them walk functionally and provide easier work for their caregivers meant the absolute world to me.

JARED TODOROWSKI
Physical Therapy Student from Gibsonia, PA

VISION CARE

Our **Vision Care Program** utilizes project teams to promote eye health and provide direct services.

71,362
Services Provided

26,610 vision screenings, 6,622 medical consultations, 2,968 manual refractions, 1,607 cataract surgeries, 84 strabismus surgeries, 14,928 eyeglasses dispensed, 51 prostheses fitted, and much more.

26,719
Patients Served

\$13,515,097 Value of Services

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Sight Restored in Rwanda

We met an 82-year-old female named Julienne on our second-last post-op clinic day. It took 3 of us to help her down the hill into the post-op instruction room. When we removed her eye patch, she went from seeing hand motion only to being able to see us! All of us were truly amazed! Later, after receiving her post-op instructions **we witnessed her leaving clinic, walking on her own without help for probably the first time in a long time, with the biggest grin on her face!**

SOPHIA HOFFMAN
General Helper from Pembroke, ON



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DENTAL CARE

Our **Dental Care Program** recognizes the need for education, prevention, and restorative care to reduce preventable extractions and thus save smiles.

23,839

Services Provided

7,376 consultations, 4,015 restorations, 2,865 fluoride treatments, 2,799 cleanings, 943 sealants, and 5,821 extractions.

7,643

Patients Served

\$4,116,585

Value of Services



Pediatric Dentistry in Cambodia

I did whatever extractions were needed on patients that came to me but decided that a prime focus would be to see children, to do oral hygiene instruction and give fluoride treatment. We saw hundreds of kids, none of whom had ever had a fluoride treatment, and many of whom had never had a toothbrush given to them...**What an honour it is that God would use us to share His love to the world through the ministry of Medical Ministry International.**

DENNIS AZUMA, DDS
Dentist from Unionville, ON



PRIMARY CARE & PREVENTION

Our **Primary Care and Prevention Program** includes interventions essential to addressing the long-term health of the communities we serve

93,127
Services Provided

17,286 consultations, 59,080 prescriptions filled, 6,906 parasite and deworming treatments, 1,548 lab procedures, 3,068 audiology screenings, 134 pap smears, 339 ear cleanings, 110 sonograms, and more.

18,652
Patients Served

\$4,470,818 Value of Services



Primary Care in Bolivia

Our Primary Care team treated a wide variety of conditions including hypertension, diabetes, G.I. illnesses, dermatology, parasites, musculoskeletal disorders, and infectious diseases. We counseled patients and educated them extensively on their conditions...There were 2 children I took care of with extensive tinea infections. I discovered the cats and dogs in their family also had it so getting the animals treated should be very helpful in finally clearing this very persistent condition...The patients we cared for were so appreciative of our care.

JULIE AUGUSTINE
Physician Assistant from Manitowoc, WI

SURGICAL CARE

Our **Surgical Care Program** delivers affordable procedures to patients whose conditions have been left untreated, often for many years.

6,021
Services Provided

2,842 surgical consultations, 793 minor surgeries, 1,200 major surgeries including: abdominal, bones & joints, breast, colorectal, extremities, gynecology, head & neck, obstetrics, plastic & reconstructive, thoracic, urology, and vascular.

2,789
Patients Served



\$4,331,821 Value of Services



Surgical Care in Bolivia

This 8-year-old boy had been living with an ostomy since early childhood, which meant going to the bathroom out of a hole in his abdomen. The surgeons were able to do an ostomy reversal on him and it was just amazing to witness his life change! What a huge impact this will make for him and his Mom who has been his sole caregiver. It was a privilege to care for them for several days! Just so amazing! He had been unable to play with other children because of the smell and being ostracized, and been unable to attend school. **We watched him open his eyes to what real life will be like for him in the future. A life of independence and community.**

LINDA DREW, RN
Registered Nurse from Kelowna, BC

EDUCATION & COUNSELLING

Our **Education and Counselling Program** follows a model of integrated health to care for the whole person, including their emotional and spiritual needs.



18,345

Health Education

17,529 health education group presentations and 816 private counseling sessions.

\$1,164,564 Value of Services



Health Education in the Dominican Republic

People listened intently as various health issues were discussed and put such trust in me as I taught. I felt honoured to play this role in our mission. Health education helps people understand the medical conditions in their communities and provides practical ways of managing/preventing illnesses in the future. We also presented the Gospel while discussing the importance of having a healthy spirit.

BENJAMIN SCOTEN
High School Teacher
from Vancouver, BC



PHYSICAL THERAPY

Our **Physical Therapy / Physiotherapy Program** provides ongoing consultations, assistive devices, and restoration of dignity for our patients.

1,337

Services Provided

1,046 consultations, 58 canes, 36 wheelchairs, 20 walkers, 103 braces, 74 other devices.

1,130

Patients

\$167,030 Value of Services



Physical Therapy in Peru

A 48-year-old woman, who had a spinal tumour removed 9 years ago, and now a paraplegic, was able to receive a wheelchair! She had been essentially housebound for 9 years. Her husband carried her into the mobile clinic. This will bless their lives greatly!

AMBER KOSUBOVICH
Physiotherapist from Dundas, ON

I helped fit a posterior walker for a little girl who couldn't walk on her own. She was filled with excitement the moment she touched the walker. She will now be able to explore her environment using this device.

KALA SVENDSEN
Physical Therapy Student from Willard, MO



HEALTH CENTERS & PARTNERS

Medical Ministry International establishes and supports health centers to increase access to affordable, quality health care. As centers become self-supporting, we assist with specific needs for land, buildings, renovations, equipment, and training, as we are able. Health centers have independent Boards of Directors who maintain oversight of local administrators, doctors, and staff to ensure compliance with local legal requirements. We also partner with existing local programs to accomplish specific health care objectives in communities.



Azerbaijan

Caspian Compassion Project

Bolivia

MMI Bolivia

Colombia

MMI Amazon & Clinica Leticia

Dominican Republic

CCSM: Elias Santana Hospital

Ecuador

Hospital Cristiano de Especialidades

El Salvador

Eye Care International

Ethiopia

Sight for Souls

Ghana

Sight for Africa *(pictured)*

Honduras

Centro Cristiano de Servicios Humanitarios de Honduras

India

Mercy Eye Center

Malawi

Good Hope Ministries

Mexico

University of Montemorelos

Peru

MMI Peru

Ukraine

Ukraine Compassion Project

United States

I Care San Antonio

Hospital Cristiano de Especialidades

Medical Ministry International began serving the people of Ecuador through project teams in the 1980s with the leadership of Sara Risser, Mesa Taveras and Francis Perez.

In 2001, a health center was built with generous financial support and began operating for many years with the leadership of Dr. Robin Rios. Located in Milagro, Ecuador, about 40 minutes from Guayaquil, the Hospital Cristiano de Especialidades, FUNDAMISC-MMI, now serves 20,000 patients each year with ophthalmology, dermatology, neurology, general surgery, urology, gynecology, and pediatric services.

MMI Ecuador Project Directors, Jone Hernandez and Dr. Susana Logacho, currently serve on the Board of Directors, with Jone Hernandez serving as Chair.



INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Our international leaders are responsible for providing oversight for the work of Medical Ministry International in their countries.

Leaders:

Respond to invitations from local communities

Conduct local needs assessments

Develop relationships with local health care professionals, churches, and community leaders

Design programs to meet the determined health care need

Execute 1 & 2-week Project Teams

Establish health care centers

Collaborate with pre-existing charitable efforts



Peta-Ann Schmidt
Africa - Rwanda, Zambia



Dr. Allan Melicor
Asia (SE) - Cambodia, Nepal, Philippines



Tofiq Teymurov
Azerbaijan



Francis Perez
Bolivia



Dr. Paola Gil
Bolivia



Warren Méndez
Bolivia



Juan Alan Muñoz
Colombia



Dr. Teo Beato & Dr. Frida Luna
Dominican Republic



Elizabeth Seunarine
Dominican Republic (Integrated Health)



Alex Ramirez
Dominican Republic



Jone Hernandez
Ecuador



Dr. Susana Logacho
Ecuador



Seth Ephraim Tetteh-Quaye
Ghana



Gustavo Elicegui
Honduras



Daniel & Ruth Castro
Honduras



Dr. Chingkup & Dr. Sharon Konyak
India



Dan Copeland
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Peru



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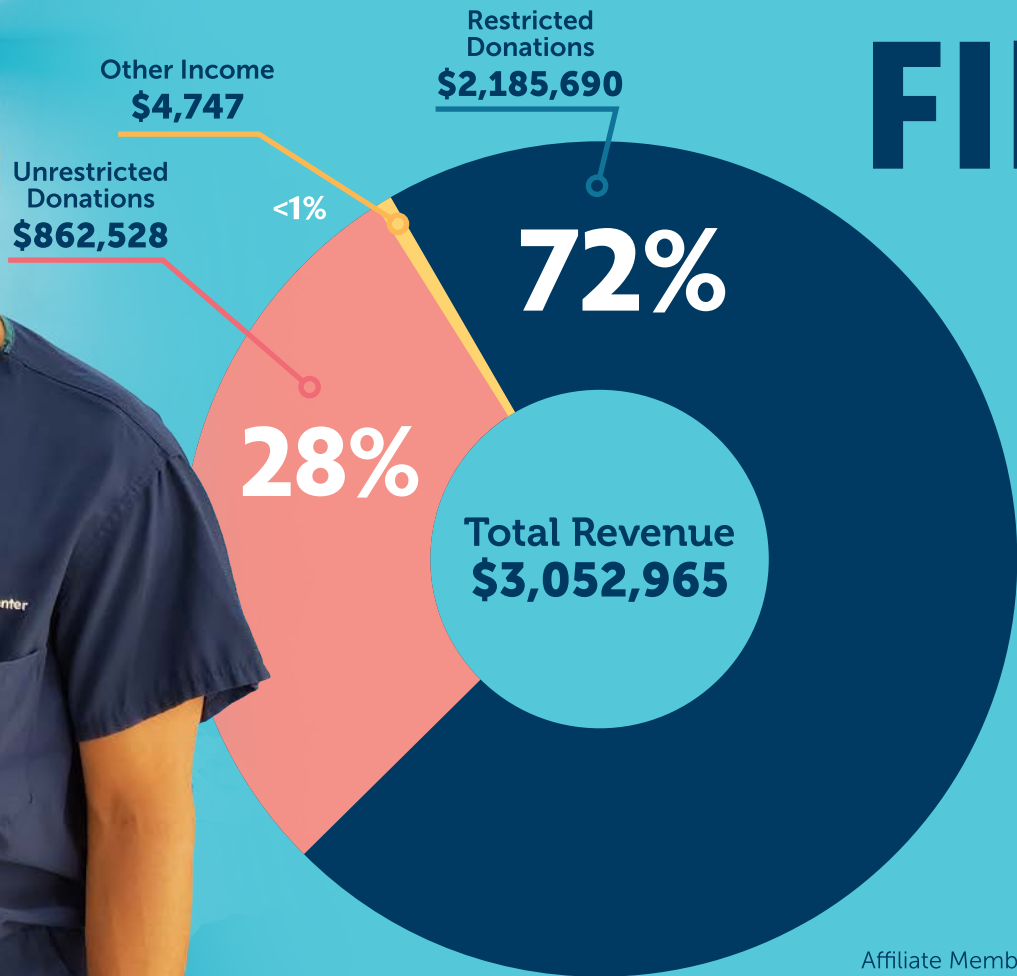
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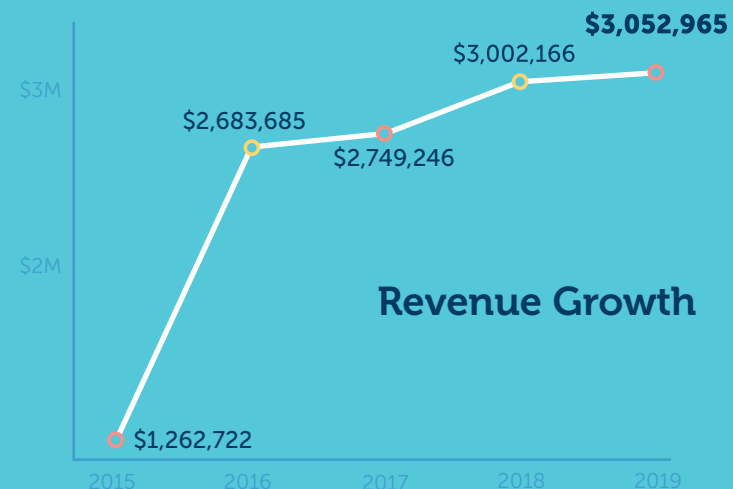
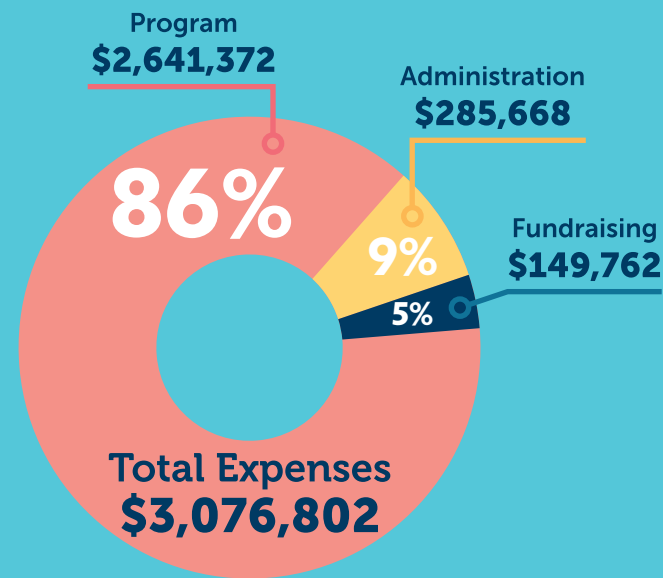
William Sullivan

Director Emeritus | Oakville, Ontario



FINANCIAL UPDATE

Medical Ministry International is thankful to report a strong financial year. After 14 years, our office and warehouse relocated; this resulted in a deficit of \$23,837 which was funded with reserves from prior years. We continue to be faithful stewards of the resources provided by generous donors, project participants, and volunteers.



JOIN US IN MAKING LASTING CHANGE

For more information on these giving options, please contact us at giving@mmi.org



Monthly Giving

Monthly contributions to our Global Ministry Fund go directly to the ministry's greatest need and help us efficiently utilize our resources.



Matching Gifts

You can multiply your donation by joining an employer matching gift program or donating during a matching campaign.



Memorial Gifts

These donations provide an opportunity to honor and remember loved ones while making a life-changing difference.
(Acknowledgment cards are available)



Gifts in Kind

Donations of medical equipment, pharmaceuticals, computers, and educational supplies help reduce our financial expenditures while meeting the needs of our projects and centers.



Planned Giving

You can leave a legacy of compassion through gifts of securities and estate planning while considering your tax implications.



Foundations & Corporate Giving

Support from family foundations and corporations is vital to our growing programs.

