

Cambodia On January 6, Terry Doughty, Danny Carrigan, Hutton Brown and I arrived in Phnom Penh, Cambodia to participate in a large medical mission. The team saw 14,714 patients and there were 72 workers from Cambodia, New Zealand, Philippines, Vietnam and the USA. More than 2000 pairs of prescription glasses were fitted, hundreds of teeth were extracted, thousands of prescriptions were written and filled, and minor surgical procedures were performed. *BandS* primary role was to provide funds for all the medications and supplies.

Hundreds of people were introduced to Jesus Christ. Most of them had never even heard his name before they came for treatment. Bible classes were conducted while patients were waiting their turn to see the doctors. This is the same course that was followed for the past two years. As a result of the teaching and the follow-up with those who indicated an interest in further study, there were 93 baptisms. Each of these new Christians has been directed to one of the 20 house churches that were planted over the last three years. We are pleased to partner with Sokhom Hun in this effort.

This was a very successful trip. Anytime I can bring one of my children or grandchildren with me, I know it will be a good trip. Hutton is a great man to travel and work with. Traveling with Terry Doughty on his first medical mission was a lot of fun. Terry found lots to do and had a good time doing it. Danny is becoming my necessary companion on these long trips. Rosalyn and the *Caris Foundation* do not like me traveling alone.











next quarter

APRIL

7-11 Guatemala Mission

21 Grand Forks, ND Physician Recruiting

22-25 Carman, MB, Canada / Speaker

MAY

3-6 Pepperdine University Lectures

19-21 Kansas City, MO Medical Missions Conference

JUNE

3-18 Malindi, Kenya Surgical Camp

7-12 Nias, Indonesia Cataract Surgery Camp

Indonesia & Philippines On March 1, Danny Carrigan and I left for Indonesia and the Philippines. We assessed the Good News Clinic, in Cebu, Philippines, and were happy to see the great work being done there. This clinic is a good example of how long term medical clinics ought to be run. They see an average of 200 patients a day and operate their own medical lab and pharmacy. If you know where we can find used or new lab equipment, please let me know. Their productivity could be greatly enhanced with some modern equipment. We are committed to helping them obtain better equipment.

The work we do with Salvador Carriaga is going well. We were able to visit Arapal Camp, north of Cebu, and see how rocky hillsides can be turned into beautiful vegetable gardens and banana plantations. The goat ministry has received a lot of attention, but there is much more going on in this ministry.

Numerous house churches have been established. Many families, who were living in abject poverty 24 months ago, are now able to send their children to school. Christianity is working and lives are being changed. God is being praised.

Our next destination was Jakarta, Indonesia. We arrived on Saturday evening and left very early Monday morning. However, during the time we were there we witnessed the opening of Connor's House. We worshipped with the little congregation on Sunday and met with some wonderful friends. Steve Cates' work lives on in Indonesia.

From Jakarta we flew to Medan, Indonesia and were met by Andrew Banjarnahor, who drove us the 5 hours to Batak Land. We had a restful night at Parapat, on the shore of Lake Toba, and then we were up early to eat breakfast and arrive at the Lutheran hospital in time for me to speak at the 7:00 a.m. Chapel Service.

We began our cataract surgery camp at 10 a.m. in Porsea. 93 eye surgeries were completed the first day. The second day, the post op care was given and all of the equipment and supplies were packed and moved to Sidikalong. Surgeries began the following day and continued until a total of 123 surgeries were completed. We had a goal to do 200 surgeries and you can see we exceeded it.

A SIDE NOTE: On our return flight home we were to connect through Narita International Airport, north of Tokyo, Japan. We were literally on approach to Narita when the pilot announced that Narita had closed due to an earthquake that had just happened. We were diverted to Nagoya, then on to Seoul, South Korea. Long story short, we arrived home 36 hours later than planned.







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