

Calvary Torch Missions: Zambia 2015.

We arrived back to Washington DC, from a week mission's trip to Zambia. WOW!! What abundant blessings it was to partner and work with Tabernacle of Peace Church in Liteta, Chibombo District of Zambia. We were also privileged to work in Kamishishi and this trip we prefer to call –“Opening the door to serve”. We believe that God is calling us to a ready Field of Harvest, so we will rise to the call as obedient laborers, as we saw a little bit of what the apostles of Jesus Christ faced preaching the gospel to the ends of the world. Our trip met with a lot of challenges ranging from logistics of clearing our luggage, transportation, lodging and language barrier, but all in all we conducted two huge clinics, opened and donated left over medications with the medical Director Chibombo Health Center Dr, Priscilla Chisha Kalonde- a God fearing woman and practitioner in a lone vast field.

Medicine is one of the ways through we reach and meet the needs of those we encounter on our trips, and Zambia was no exception. Working with the sick and healthy people of Liteta and Kamishishi was an outreach that fulfilled our missions. We conducted health screening exercises –checking Blood pressure, blood sugars, instant hemoglobin checks as needed, health education and promotion. We had two physicians from our local partners who consulted and evaluated the screened patients with serious ailments. In addition we had a local dental therapist who performed dental care and education, and each person received a toothbrush and toothpaste at the end of their visit. Our pharmacy was stocked with a variety of medications ranging from analgesics, antibiotics, multivitamins, antihypertensive, anti diabetics, respiratory medications and skin care creams. Each patient received a month supply of their prescriptions for free. The pharmacy was manned by a pharmacist from our team, a nurse and one local technician who was interpreting instructions as needed. Every patient was dewormed as water borne disease is one of the prevalent diseases in the area

Our Women and Children's Health section was heavily attended by expectant moms, sick and healthy babies. A healthy baby contest was conducted with 15 -20 babies in attendance. At its conclusion, ten babies won prizes and lots of consolation prizes were distributed. Also expectant mothers received the maternity pack which included diaper, baby lotion, comb, clothes, towel, diaper rash cream and soap as gifts.

School children were attended to as well. They were educated on good hygiene practices both during the health fair and during the visit to the Villages of Hope School. School supplies were distributed and donated to the school with a promise to return in 2016 to partner with the school and community in their intent to open a health clinic.

We wish to thank you for your wonderful support through donations towards this trip and hope to continue to partner with you in the future. We will return to Zambia in 2016 by God's Grace. Please see below for pictures



Expectant mother with maternity pack



Calvary Torch Mission Healthcare Team



Pre-packing the medications night before health fair



Patients waiting to be attended to



Screening the patients: Blood pressure and blood glucose



Attending to patients in the pharmacy



Dental education at fair



Healthy Baby Contest



Triage Nurse and Registration



Healthy Baby Contest



Winners at the Healthy Baby Contest



Doctor attending to the patients



Donating the left-over medications to the Doctors at the District



Patients awaiting medications in the pharmacy