

Loma Linda University Medical Auxiliary

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Dear Members of the Medical Auxiliary, Alumni and Friends,

I am writing to you about the great blessings happening in medical mission work. Our hospitals and clinics are opening doors for much needed surgical and medical treatment. Our physician alumni are providing quality modern services to underserved communities across the globe. I am witness to the sacrifice and tireless work done by our medical colleagues and their families all over the world. This month, I will be at the Global Healthcare Conference in Loma Linda and hope to meet doctors whose mission projects the Medical Auxiliary has funded.

I am humbled to attend the LLU Mission Interest Group events where I meet the students and residents who desire to serve as global medical missionaries when their training is complete. These young people are passionate and believe in the university's call "To Make Man Whole".

Your donations, small and large, make these projects a reality. Please contribute today using the enclosed envelope or at our website: Ilumedaux.org. And please pray for the success of our mission projects, for the health and safety of our colleagues who serve amidst great challenges, and that their communities will know the love of God by service and action.

Giving thanks for faithfulness everywhere,

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Patti Batin Hall, SM '88

Missions Chair

2023-2024 LLU Medical Auxiliary Mission Projects

La Loma Luz, Belize	Imaging Center Upgrades	\$ 50,000
Cooper Adventist Hospital, Liberia	X-Ray Equipment	\$ 30,000
Glei Adventist Hospital, Togo	Ophthalmology Surgery	\$ 20,000
Kendu Adventist Hospital, Kenya	6 bed ICU	\$ 20,000
Waterloo Adventist Hospital, Sierra Leone	Modern Lab	\$ 20,000
Hospital Adventista de Valle de Angeles, Honduras	Clinic	\$ 10,000
TOTAL		\$150,000

2023-2024 Loma Linda University Medical Auxiliary Mission Projects

La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital - Belize - \$50,000





Jeff SM'14 and Michelle Cho work at La Loma Luz Adventist Hospital in Belize where Jeff is using his skills in both family and preventive medicine to provide medical care while Michelle is helping update the hospital with her background as an architect. Their first major project was to develop the Sylvester Roberts Imaging Center, named after a beloved radiology technician who died tragically some years ago while serving there. The new imaging center includes a 64 slice CT unit, mammogram, and ultrasound. The remodeling has occurred and the equipment has arrived. The final need is for a voltage regulator and UPS to protect this equipment from the frequent power surges that occur. When completed, this imaging center will contribute significantly to the services available in this southwest corner of Belize while also aiding the hospital finances.

Cooper Adventist Hospital-Liberia-\$30,000



James SM'00 and Sarah Appel have now served the African continent for 20 years. They have served in Bere, Moundou, and Abougoudam in Chad. After serving several more years in a government hospital in Liberia, they have agreed to join our growing staff at Cooper Adventist Hospital in the Liberian capital of Monrovia. The immediate needs at Cooper are for a few x-ray plates for the digital x-ray, as a major part of James's practice is trauma and orthopedic cases. These funds will purchase these plates along with necessary upgrades to the physical plant at Cooper and its associate eye hospital.

Glei Adventist Hospital - Togo -\$20,000



Jason SM'18 and Grace Kim have accepted a call to serve at Glei Adventist Hospital in Togo in West Africa. This French speaking country is sandwiched between Ghana on the west and Benin on the east. The Kims are the first Loma Linda graduates to work at Glei hospital, which is primarily known as an eye hospital, though it has added dental care as well, making the Kims an ideal match with their skills as an ophthalmologist and dentist. After their initial visit, Jason has confirmed the critical need for an instrument that can measure the axial length of the eye. This will enable him to place the correct strength of intraocular lens in cataract surgery, one of the most common procedures. This funding request will purchase this instrument along with an initial set of intraocular lenses.

Kendu Adventist Hospital - Kenya - \$20,000



Denny SM'15 and Jayeon Hong have already made a significant difference at Kendu Adventist Hospital on the shores of Lake Victoria in southwestern Kenya. Last year the Auxiliary provided funds to build a new community pharmacy on the main road by the hospital which is already contributing to better health care while financially strengthening the hospital. Now they want to convert an old surgical suite into a 6 bed ICU. This will require significant rewiring and modern equipment. As a CPA, Jayeon is now serving as the Chief Financial Officer for the hospital, while Denny uses his internal medicine and infectious disease skills to manage increasingly complex cases and establish Kendu into a referral hospital.

Waterloo Adventist Hospital – Sierra Leone - \$20,000





James SM'16 and Rachel Fernando have now been at Waterloo Adventist Hospital for several years. This small hospital near the capital of Freetown is strategically located on the road to the airport and a recent addition of an x-ray unit has brought an influx of patients. Now the clinical laboratory cannot keep up with the orders for blood tests due to old manual equipment. The funds will establish a modern laboratory with up to date automated instruments. The Fernandos have just had their second baby and are returning to serve at Waterloo. Rachel is a PA who helps cover the outpatient clinic. Other needs at Waterloo include finishing a staff house and pouring a cement floor in their storage area.

Hospital Adventista de Valle de Angeles – Honduras - \$10,000





Joel SM'06 and Jennifer Mundall have anchored our little hospital known as HAVA for 11 years. Jennifer is a nurse practitioner with a DNP degree from Loma Linda and helps both clinically as a nurse and in management of various projects. This 25 bed hospital has an active surgery program, as well as emergency services and outpatient clinics. They also help to staff and manage a major clinic in the capital city of Tegucigalpa. Joel's particular interest is in lifestyle diseases and he has developed a reputation in the area for helping improve patients health practices. These funds will help upgrade their clinic equipment and several patient rooms.