RECENT DENTAL MISSIONS

5th Mission – October 2014

This mission trip was exciting for a number of reasons:

- **Haitian Dental School visit**: A few of us came early to visit a Haitian Dental School in Port au Prince. It was an excellent learning experience to see the level of dental care and teaching they have. They also invited us to be guest lecturers in the future!

- **Many first timers**: Of the 10 team members who came this trip, 5 were first timers including Tim’s daughter-in-law Dawn, and grandson Carter.

- **First Haitian Dental Student**: We had our first Haitian dental student, Evena, work with us all week. She was able to learn a great deal - especially from Dr. Dawn!

- **Haitian Partners**: Our sterilization area was completely run by our Haitian team member, Frantz. A local Hinche dentist, Dr. Frandy, assisted in oral surgery for about half of the week. He said he learned more surgery techniques in 6 days than in his entire 8 year career. He also loved our modern equipment and instruments.

- We feel that our work with our Haitian staff, dental students and local dentists are a large part of our missionary work in Haiti.

- It is also our goal, when we receive extra donations of dental equipment and instruments, to donate them to local dentists and the dental school. They are so appreciative of this! This certainly allows our work, with your assistance, to directly help more and more people.

“*He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.”*  
*Proverbs 14:31*
6th Mission – January 2015

This mission trip was also highlighted by some exciting events:

- For the first time, Lori and Tim did not go together. As much as they love to lead teams together, to increase the number of mission trips per year it is necessary that they lead separate teams. Leesa, who has been with us 5 times, took on much of Lori’s role in helping to lead the team with Tim. Lori will lead a team this spring.
- We had a large team of 14 with 5 veterans and 9 newcomers, one of which was Julie from Christ the Rock, who took on much of the logistics of the trip.
- Our Sunday afternoon was spent entirely at the orphanage playing with the children, in addition to giving fluoride varnish treatments. We are not sure who had more fun, the children or our team.
- Pastor Lavaud added a ping pong table to one of the rooms, providing a great way to relax after a long clinic day.
- We visited Haiti Medical Missions of Memphis near Port au Prince which has a medical and dental clinic among other things and learned a great deal from them.

**THANK YOU!**

As our trips become more organized, we are able to increase the number of services each trip. Our total of dental services for 6 trips now include:

- 1265 restorations
- 1266 extractions
- 522 cleanings
- 1421 fluoride varnish treatments
- 16 root canals
- 1 removable partial denture

Every patient receives a toothbrush and oral hygiene instructions. We believe in this small part of Haiti, we are making a difference.

As always none of the above would be possible without your prayers and wonderful donations! Thank you!

“I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.”

*Mother Teresa*
A note from Sylvéus:

I am studying Agronomy Business Management at FVTC. I am so grateful for all these opportunities that I have. I give a special thank you to Dr. Tim Brown and Mrs. Lori Schneider who brought me here to study. I’m also thankful for the Nick Baum family who are taking care of me with all their heart. Thank you everyone who has contributed to help with my school expenses. Thank you for letting God use your good heart to give your money for this. While you are helping me, you are helping Haiti also. I feel that God has a plan for me and will use me as a strong agricultural, social and community leader in Haiti. Your money is not wasted; it is not lost. I hope one day you will visit Haiti to see what your money does in different communities and for people’s lives. Thank you very much. May God keep blessing you!

Sincerely,

Sylveus Joseph

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A note from Peterson:

My lifelong dream of attending school in the U.S is moving forward. I just started my Dental Assistant program this January and I feel so excited about that. I also plan to finish my business degree that I began last semester. With those two programs, I will have useful knowledge and skills to help oversee the dental clinic in Hinche. My passion for this study is matched only by my love for children so my decision to learn those skills comes from my heart. Thank you for your generous giving to my education to prepare me for when I go back to Haiti. I am committed to my education and to the health care field. I am so grateful for your continued kindness and hard work to make this possible.

Sincerely,

Peterson Benoit
Leesa Whitman, although only 22 years old, has been with Lori and Dr. Tim 5 times already! She fulfills many roles: dental assistant, supervisor of all assistants and OSHA requirements, patient flow, supplies inventory, clinic set up and take down in addition to being a wonderful teammate. Her fantastic attitude helps all of the team even when “things” get tough. She works throughout the year to make each mission trip successful. She has been and is an enormous part of the Hinche Dental Clinic.

If you would like to donate to the project, please make your donation to:

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P. O. Box 214
Menasha, WI 54952
Attn: Hinche Dental Clinic

On October 20, 2014, Pastor Lavaud Cheristin received a wonderful award from Digicel, one of the largest cell service providers in the country. Awards are given each year to outstanding Haitian citizens in a number of categories. Pastor Lavaud’s award was for outstanding work in entrepreneurship and education of children. A few of us went to Haiti ahead of the team to attend the event. It was an honor to be there, along with his wife, Myrielle, to see him acknowledged for his hard work and dedication to his country and the Haitian people.
Dr. Dawn with assistant/son Carter

Dr. Ken with surgical assistant Dick

Dr. Tim with assistant Tyler

Hygienist Celeste with grateful patient

October Team

Lori, applying fluoride varnish at school

Dr. Mike with assistant Tyler

Tom, Lynn, Denise and the team riding Haitian style

Dr. Monica, Tim, Leesa and Mitial

Hygienist Laurie with assistant Carol

January Team

On duty with Kasey, Julie, Carissa & Leesa

Next trip: May 2015