

● MEDICAL MISSION STORY: CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH THROUGH SERVICE



One World Surgery celebrated March and Women's History Month in a big way by hosting its first all-female medical mission. The group which consisted of clinical and non-clinical support staff was led by One World Surgery's foundational corporate partner, Surgical Care Affiliates (SCA). One World Surgery's Holy Family Surgery Center in Honduras welcomed over 30 women from across the U.S. who are affiliated with SCA.

During the course of the trip, the clinical team performed 37 life-changing surgeries in three days! In addition to the transformative medical

work, the volunteers and One World Surgery arranged leadership and empowerment workshops with the girls of the NPH Honduras home, coordinated a donation drive, and organized a discussion panel for Honduran women to speak about their experiences.

This medical mission was truly a special experience and opportunity for women to learn from and support one another!

● PARTNER SPOTLIGHT: OPTUMCARE

One World Surgery is excited to announce a three-year partnership commitment with OptumCare®, part of UnitedHealth Group. OptumCare is a physician-led, patient-focused care delivery organization providing primary and specialty care, surgical care and urgent care across the country. With the support of OptumCare, One World Surgery will be expanding its services to include primary care. This expansion will further enhance our efforts to assure high quality surgical outcomes and a continuity of care for our patients. By providing comprehensive care, One World Surgery will continue to address surgically treatable conditions while also addressing broad health conditions and preventing future issues. In addition, we will empower families and communities through health education initiatives.

OptumCare physicians will begin participating in primary care medical missions to Honduras and the Dominican Republic in 2019. Considerable work has already been done. In February and April of this year, groups started our work in the Dominican Republic by meeting with the local health authorities and providing training to community surveyors. We plan to host our first medical mission in September 2019. Due to construction, our primary care medical missions will take place in the surrounding communities. We are thrilled to be expanding our services and better serve those in need!





● PATIENT SPOTLIGHT: DON TOÑO

In 2018, One World Surgery was able to perform over 1,100 life-changing surgeries in Honduras. One of the lives transformed was Don Toño. On February 6th, he was the victim of a hit-and-run accident. Unable to receive the necessary care from the public hospitals in Tegucigalpa, Don Toño was no longer able to work as a trash collector and support his family, as he could not walk on his own and relied on crutches.

Later that month, he came to One World Surgery's surgery center where he was evaluated for his fractured ankle and several other contusions. Don Toño's surgery was scheduled that March and, with the support of our team and volunteers, he was able to make a full recovery.

Thanks to your support, patients like Don Toño are able to receive the necessary care, return to work, and provide for their families!

● VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: JANIE & DON REESE

Janie and Don Reese have been a part of the One World Surgery family since shortly after its inception, and their support continues to grow alongside our mission! Janie is a nurse who has already volunteered on two medical mission trips to Honduras in 2019. The couple's choice to make mission trips a family experience has had a profound influence on their two daughters, Samantha and Alex.

Samantha was inspired by the work she witnessed at the Holy Family Surgery Center. In 2018, she entered nursing school to prepare for her chosen work: providing surgical and medical care to people in need.

Alex brought her boyfriend, Ben, on a trip to the ranch just a few months after they started dating because she wanted to show him why it was such a special place to



her family. During the trip, Janie and Don say they began to realize Ben was "the one." That year for Christmas, Ben surprised Alex by donating money to sponsor a child they had met at NPH. Now husband and wife, Ben and Alex continue to donate to both NPH and One World Surgery.

The Reeses felt so strongly about the importance of One World Surgery's work in Honduras, they hosted an event at their home

in the U.S. on March 27th to help spread awareness. In 2018, Don surprised Janie by donating to OWS in honor of their wedding anniversary. He said he plans to donate annually, increasing the amount for each year of marriage.

We are grateful for the family's ongoing support and commitment to making a positive impact on global health!



Giving frees us from the familiar territory of our own needs by opening our mind to the unexplained worlds occupied by the needs of others. —Barbara Bush



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