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World Blindness Outreach

We're Back!!!

Thanks to the continued commitment and support of many people, we are developing plans to resume the work that we began over 31 years ago - bringing light into darkness!

Please review this newsletter to learn more about our plans and how you can help!

Together, we continue to impact many lives



Post-Op Patient From Tanzania



WBO Team to Tanzania



Eye Surgery





A Newsletter For Friends of World Blindness Outreach, Inc

Dear Friends & Supporters of WBO,

Each year at this time, we produce a newsletter to share good news and celebrate the impact that we've made around the world. It's our version of an "Annual Report" and a token of our appreciation to you, our WBO supporters.

Over the years, we've had incredible support from so many wonderful people who are the keys to our mission success. Some contribute by helping us organize and pack for each mission. Countless others have volunteered to serve on one of our mission teams and have traveled the globe with us – wherever there is a need. Still others support us through our golf tournament or by making a donation. While it's not possible, we wish that all our supporters would have the opportunity to see each patient's joy at the restoration of the precious gift of sight. It is a priceless experience that mission participants carry with them the rest of their lives.

This edition of our newsletter is smaller than normal. While pandemic restrictions hindered our ability to successfully conduct missions in recent years, we are very pleased to share that we're back in business! We plan to complete a mission to Ecuador in the Fall of 2022 and another to Dominican Republic in the Spring of 2023.

Ecuador Mission – (October 30-November 5)

This will be our 22nd mission to Ecuador and will include many good and loyal friends of WBO. Our host organization, Vista Para Todos (Vision For All), along with Dr. Ruben Landazuri from Quito, Ecuador, will assist us as they have many times in the past. We expect to perform over 200 cataract procedures and treat 30 children with strabismus (crossed eyes). In addition to our US based surgeons, Dr. Drew Stoken and Dr. Michael Bartiss, we are happy to welcome back Dr. Julio Martinez from Navojoa, Mexico who participated in our very first mission to Nigeria in 1990.

Ecuador Team members will include:

- Albert A. Alley, M.D.
- Drew Stoken, M.D.
- Michael Bartiss, M.D.
- Julio Martinez Almada, M.D.
- Martina Spivey, Surgical Tech
- Cindy Poucel, R.N.
- Ellen Dreibelbis, C.R.N.P.
- Jodie Heishman, R.N.
- Bill Cluley, Instrument Tech



A Post-Op Smile Following Strabismus Surgery - Priceless!

Dominican Republic Mission - (Spring 2023)

Although specific mission dates are not confirmed, we are assembling our team and making plans for a return to the Dominican Republic in 2023. This will be our 27th mission to the Dominican and we're very excited to renew our friendships there as well.

Unfortunately, due to several conflicts, we have decided to forgo a golf tournament this year. But contributions to our cause are still welcome and will help us sustain the important mission we have established through WBO. Tax-deductible contributions can be made by mail, credit card by calling our office, or through PayPal on our Web site.

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We are grateful for your continued support. When we think about the countless individuals and families who have been positively impacted through this support, we are humbled and inspired to do even more. We're honored to have you as a member of our team and we are excited to get back in the game!

Albert A. Alley, M.D.

Founder & President, WBO