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Our mission: To provide medicine and health supplies to those in need around the world so they might experience life to the fullest.





For every $1 you contribute, you help MAP International provide nearly $65 in medicine and health supplies to people in need.

We can make this statement because MAP receives generous donations of medicine and health supplies and has relatively low expenses. In fact, last year alone we provided over $826.6 million in medicine and health supplies with just over $12.7 million in cash donations. For more information, visit map.org/mapfacts.

Your gift can provide 65x the lifesaving medicine!

Thanks to what we here at MAP call the "multiplier effect" — achieved through a combination of careful stewardship and sound fiscal practices — we are able to amplify each gift our supporters make so that its value in donated medicine and health supplies is many times over the dollar amount itself.

This means that we are able to reach even more people for every dollar donated! And for the tens of millions of people in the developing world — many of whom are children — who die from diseases that could have been prevented or treated with a few dollars' worth of medicine, this could be a lifesaving difference.

In this newsletter, you will read stories of hope, healing and lives transformed. It is thanks to the gifts of our supporters that this is possible. Each life saved, each person healed, each are testaments to God's infinite mercy. Please know that your generosity and compassion are what make all of this work possible. +

Baby Grace gets a life-changing operation

When it comes to health supplies, surgical sutures are worth their weight in gold. Without them, life-changing surgeries cannot be performed. And in resource-poor countries like Liberia, having access to quality supplies like sutures is what enables missionary doctors like Dr. Kevin Strathy to keep transforming lives, one surgery at a time.

Using these donated sutures from MAP, Dr. Strathy recently performed life-changing surgeries for many patients.

One of those patients was little Grace. When she was very small, Grace accidentally drank caustic soda, a cleaning agent that in Liberia is often stored in regular water bottles. The mistake was life-altering. Little Grace's mouth



ended up severely scarred, and even after her wounds had healed, she had difficulty eating. Thanks to Dr. Strathy's expert hands, her mouth was reconstructed, and she can now eat and drink properly to receive the nutrition she needs.

Another patient is Maromini, a young Liberian woman with albinism, which predisposes her to skin cancer. Maromini came into the hospital with a large spot of skin cancer on her face, which Dr. Strathy was able to surgically remove. Then, using the sutures from MAP, he was able to reconstruct her cheek so that she would still have a normal appearance.

There were numerous other people who experienced the healing power of safe surgical care. Thanks to our MAP family of supporters, Dr. Strathy will continue to be supplied with the medicine and surgical supplies that he needs to keep transforming lives and restoring smiles to those in need in Liberia. +

Justina is grateful to you!

Justina Obi has known for a while that she has diabetes and hypertension. She knows she needs to take her medications regularly to keep both conditions under control and properly managed. But, sadly, knowing this doesn't make the money appear.

Unfortunately, Justina hasn't been able to afford to purchase her medicine for months now. She has been forced to make hard choices, such as deciding whether to buy medicine or put food on the table for her children. Justina always chooses her children.

This has caused her health to deteriorate quickly. By the time she walked into the mobile clinic in rural Nigeria run by Jovita Ike and her medical mission team, Justina's blood pressure and blood sugar levels were alarmingly high.

Thanks to MAP International supporters, the mission team had plenty of medication on hand so they gave Justina the medicine she needed for her diabetes and high blood pressure. She was then transferred to a local hospital for further treatment and monitoring.

When the hospital had stabilized Justina and sent her home, she was discharged with a year's supply of all the medicines she needed, plus a supply of multivitamins, courtesy of MAP. "She appreciates



MAP donations to save her life and asked me to say thanks to MAP," Jovita says.

Justina was so grateful to finally be relieved of the burden of deciding between caring for herself or feeding her children. With access to lifesaving medicine, Justina is no longer dragging herself through each day; she can now care for her family from a place of health and wholeness. +

An end to suffering for Najara

Little Najara had lived most of her 11 years sitting on the sidelines, watching other kids run and play. No one noticed it when she was a baby, but when Najara was learning to walk, her parents realized that her legs were uneven. Her femurs were such different lengths that as she grew, walking caused significant pain.



But Najara comes from a family of limited means, and living in Bolivia, there simply wasn't affordable or accessible medical care available. As much as it broke her parents' hearts to see their little girl suffer in pain and be unable to run and play like her peers, there just wasn't anything they could do to help her.

Then finally, after years of trying to make the best of the situation, Najara's parents heard about a surgical mission team that was visiting a hospital 20 miles away from their home. They brought Najara to the hospital, hesitant to hope that their daughter might be healed.

But healed she was! The surgical team accepted Najara as a patient, and using high-quality sutures donated by MAP, surgeons performed a 4-hour operation to fix the little girl's legs. "She woke up pain free," says Ricardo Charles, a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) on the team.



After three days in the hospital to recover and receive physical therapy, Najara was able to return home — happy, healthy, and whole.

No longer held back by pain, Najara can now participate in all the activities that her friends do. The ability not just to run, but to be a part of group activities, is a valuable gift to a child. +

Thanks to you, Najara isn't on the sidelines anymore. She is happy, healthy and thriving.

Gabriela receives the gift of sight!

Gabriela is a lively and happy young woman living in an impoverished village near Belfate, Honduras. Her mother brought her to the vision clinic that Dr. Richard Reichert and his mission team were conducting for the week, hoping that he could help her daughter.

Gabriela used to be able to see a little when she was younger, but her vision has deteriorated over the years and now she can't see anything at all. Her mother leads her from room to room in their tiny house, dresses her, and feeds her.

When Dr. Reichert examined Gabriela's eyes, he saw that she had snow-white pupils on both eyes from cataracts. He explained that removing the cataracts might not help if there was anything else wrong with Gabriela's eyes, but her mother excitedly agreed,



grasping at any hope of helping her daughter to see again.

Using an intraocular lens donated by MAP International, Dr. Reichert performed surgery on one eye first, removing the cataract and inserting the implant in its place. Gabriela's eye was then patched up and she and her mother went home to await whatever tomorrow might bring.

In the morning, Gabriela was led in by her mother, who waited anxiously while the patch was removed. Gabriela immediately smiled, her gaze darting around the room until she saw her mother for the first time in many, many years.

There were exclamations of joy, praises to God, tears, and laughter. When it was time for them to head home, Gabriela jumped up and led her mother to the door instead of the other way around. "When we have nowhere to turn, the Lord is always there," says Dr. Reichert. "Christ's mercies are deeper than we can possibly imagine." +

Thanks to you!

MAP's year-end matching gift campaign exceeded its goal!

Thanks to outstanding generosity of our supporters, the year-end 2024 Bringing Medicine to the World Matching Gift campaign surpassed our goal, raising a total of $1.1 million.

The money raised will be used to provide millions of treatments in 2025, including:

- Providing full courses of lifesaving pediatric antibiotics to children suffering infections
- Reaching pregnant women by providing treatments of critical prenatal vitamins
- Supplying treatments for hypertension, diabetes, high cholesterol, cardiovascular disease and asthma

"We are so grateful to all of our supporters. You are the reason we are able to get lifesaving medicine and health supplies to where they need to go," says Chris Palombo, President and CEO of MAP International. "We are blessed beyond measure for all the generous, compassionate people who are members of our MAP family and help bring health and hope to some of the world's poorest, most forgotten people and communities."

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