

JULY OUTREACH OF THE MONTH

Medical Supplies for Christ

For the last 20 years, Medical Supplies for Christ, Inc. has practiced evangelism through healthcare, around the world and in the U.S.A. From the beginning ULC has helped this organization that was founded and is run by Marcia Johnson Skelton who was raised in our church.

Outreach envelopes are available in the pew racks. Checks should be made out to ULC with "Medical Supplies for Christ" on the memo line.

Below is a bit more information about Medical Supplies for Christ. The letter is from a former ULC member Marcia Skelton (Johnson) and her husband Steve Skelton.

Dear ULC Members,

Thank you so much for helping Medical Supplies for Christ, Inc. continue to do what we love to do.

Last July, we were blessed to go to Belize, with Caring Partners! It was a medical evangelism trip and Scott and I ran the pharmacy. While we were there, we met a government village healthcare worker, in charge of an entire district, who had no medical books. Now, we have sent her nine medical books. She has studied them all! We also left all of our remaining medicines with her.

In December, we were privileged to work with our Christian friends in Guatemala. We did a medical clinic in Zone 6, a very poor area in Guatemala City. We were able to bring and distribute twenty Spanish Bibles, lots of medicines, toys, backpacks, prosthetic hands, and many other items. Many people worshiped and prayed with us and benefited from the healthcare we offered. It was a fun way to celebrate Advent!

In March, Scott and I traveled, with I-TEC, to Burkina Faso in Africa. Medical Supplies for Christ, Inc. donated one hundred nicely bound, French Bibles. We taught first aid, sanitation, water purification, wound care, malaria prevention and some other topics. Other members of our team taught film making, small engine repair, dentistry and how to give reading / distance glasses. When we left, the local believers were equipped to start to practice on their own. Now they help their people with healthcare AND tell them about Jesus! We get at least one email a week telling us how they are using their skills and spreading the gospel. They will receive more training on later I-TEC trips, so their skills will continually improve and be updated.

In September, we have been asked to go to Kenya, with I-TEC, to teach believers there similar topics. By the way, I-TEC headquarters is ten miles from our home in Dunnellon, Florida. I-TEC, ministry of Steve Saint, is fascinating. Look it up on the web!

In Florida we have started working with a small Spanish speaking congregation. We brought toothbrushes and over the counter medicines to them. More importantly, we were able to give them several children's and adult Bibles! They have a missionary who is going to Dominican Republic, in March. We have given him one suitcase, so far, of Spanish Bibles, OTC medications and toiletry articles. That suitcase is going to an orphanage that houses one hundred kids. We are planning to send at least one more suitcase with him. Recently, we connected with a Mexican Church. Spanish churches are everywhere, in our area!

So, we are having LOTS of fun and finding lots of ministry opportunities, here! Thank you for your prayers, and encouragement.

*Love,
Scott & Marcia Skelton*