



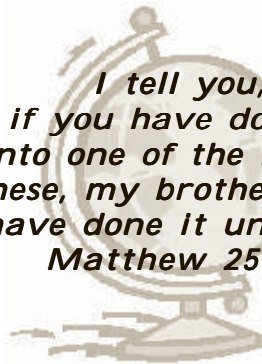
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through Christ-like missions.*

February 2006

CrossLink International at Work in 2005



*I tell you,
if you have done it
unto one of the least of
these, my brothers, you
have done it unto me.
Matthew 25:40*



CrossLink - 2005

Throughout these pages CrossLink International presents glimpses of ministry work throughout 2005. We are grateful for the part that you have played, and we pray that you will be blessed by these stories. Thank you for **linking** with CrossLink to be a “supply chain of healing and hope.”

Linda Cook



CrossLink International – Memphis

Since opening in September of 2005, exciting things have been happening at the Memphis office. The first project was completed in December when Dr. Jan Jones drove a U-Haul to Kiln, Mississippi, loaded with supplies and equipment for the clinic demolished by Hurricane Katrina.

Earlier in the month, the Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation signed an agreement to partner with CrossLink International. BMHC will support CrossLink and its work around the world through in-kind donations of medical resources from its hospitals. CrossLink and BMHC are working now to develop the system for collection and retrieval. If you are living in the Memphis area and would like to volunteer as a courier, call the Memphis office at 901-323-8477.



Jodi Ball, Jan Jones, & volunteers processing in-kind donations.

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Kiln Clinic Update

It has been five months since Hurricane Katrina slammed into the Gulf Coast. While the shock of that event has worn off for most of us, thousands of citizens in that area are still living with friends and relatives, and the landscape continues to look like a war zone.

How do you get your hands around something of the magnitude of Katrina? So many people in such desperate situations. It is hard to know where to start or how to help.

God gave CrossLink International a unique privilege. He brought the Hancock Medical Clinic in Kiln, Mississippi to our attention, and touched some generous donors* to help finance the rebuilding and refurbishing. Not only was a glimmer of hope restored to the people of Kiln, but all of us were deeply moved by this opportunity to help our brothers and sisters.



Dr. Jan Jones delivers medical resources to Kiln, MS clinic.

The building is in its final stages of reconstruction. Trucks laden with “goodies” have arrived, and if all goes well, the clinic will begin treating patients in March.

Ann Read, nurse practitioner, responded that she felt like a child on Christmas morning as she helped unload beautiful waiting room furniture, exam tables, chairs, desks, computers, durable medical goods and other brand new equipment.

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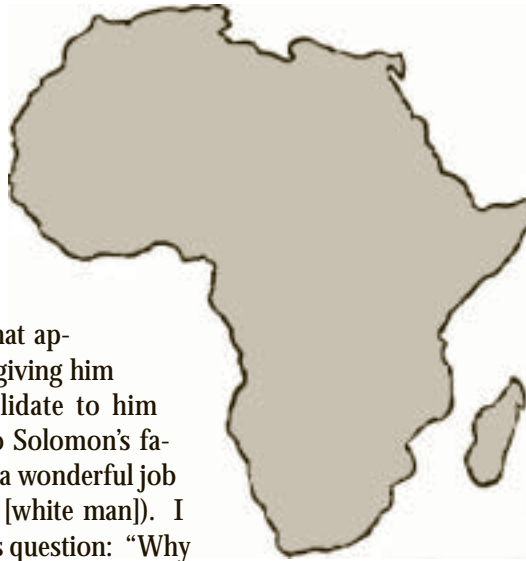
“Into Africa”

(Excerpted from a testimony by Dr. Buffy Jay Cook.)

When I accepted God’s call for this mission trip to Africa, I began to prepare in earnest. For weeks and months ahead of our trip, I researched what the needs of the African people were, devised my own little pharmaceutical formulary, and applied for medications and other supplies through CrossLink International and others.

Mentally and emotionally I had no idea what to expect of this trip to Africa. Outside of what I read on the internet I didn’t know what I would experience medically. I read about malaria, intestinal worms, malnutrition, anemia, HIV and upper respiratory infections — yet nothing could prepare me for what I experienced both physically and spiritually. I saw things I had only read about in medical school and that very few American doctors have or will ever witness first-hand. There are so many stories to share, but one particularly sticks out in my memory.

The elderly man was Solomon’s father. Solomon is sort of a mayor over a village of approximately 1200 people. Solomon converted from Islam to Christianity in 2003. Because of his conversion, his father literally threw him out of their home and Solomon was forced to start completely anew with his family. He let his light shine brightly even though it cost him dearly. He even brought his father to our clinic despite the continued animosity between the two men.



Solomon’s father had very high blood pressure and what appeared to be some mild congestive heart failure. After giving him some appropriate medications, I felt the urge to validate to him Solomon’s faith. To begin with I introduced myself to Solomon’s father. I told him I felt he had a great son who was doing a wonderful job (that alone spoke volumes coming from a “mazungo” [white man]). I then finished by asking him if he knew the answer to this question: “Why do you think I am here today?” His response in essence was “I don’t know but I’m sure glad you are.”

I responded by telling him that I was there at that very moment for one reason and one reason only – Jesus Christ. Nothing else had brought me some 9000 miles across 3 continents to a sugar cane field in the middle of Uganda other than Christ.

At that very moment, his complete demeanor changed. Not anger, not hostility, but humility and awareness – awareness that Solomon, and more importantly, Solomon’s Lord, were for real.

This has been a most phenomenal and amazing two week stretch of my life. God has shown me so much and done so much in my life. He also has impacted many lives through our team that we will never know of this side of heaven.

Some people would say, “So you treated 425 people out of millions upon millions in Africa, many of which will only get sick again. That’s like one rain drop in a 55 gallon drum.” Tell that to any of the 425 people we helped.

Remember the story of the man walking on the beach throwing the star fish (or turtles) back into the sea. Another man walked by and said, “Man, you’re not making a difference.” To which the man replied, “I did to that one.”

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CrossLink at Work

CrossLink sent medical resources valued at more than \$4.4 million to the countries listed below in FY2005.

EASTERN EUROPE

25 Projects

Armenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Russia, Ukraine

\$228,196

MIDDLE EAST

1 Project

Egypt

\$9,181



ASIA - PACIFIC

42 Projects

Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Mariana Islands, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Vietnam

\$646,778

ASIA - SOUTHWESTERN

6 Projects

Afghanistan, Kyrgystan, Mongolia, Uzbekistan

\$33,343



AFRICA

61 Projects

Angola, Cameroon, DR Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, The Gambia, Togo, Uganda, Zambia

\$1,372,574

USA*

87 Projects

*Donations of short-dated medicines that cannot be sent overseas to free & faith-based clinics, and Hurricane Katrina Assistance.

\$351,929

ATLANTIC - CARIBBEAN

47 Projects

Antigua, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica, The Bahamas, Trinidad, Tobago

\$393,657

CENTRAL AMERICA/ MEXICO

66 Projects

Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama

\$1,079,580



SOUTH AMERICA

24 Projects

Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Venezuela

\$192,547

FY 2005

Crosslink International, Ltd. Statement of Financial Position September 30, 2005

<u>Assets</u>	
Operating assets	\$ 212,573
Inventory of drugs, medical supplies and equipment held for distribution	414,659
Temporarily restricted fund assets	194,182
	\$ 821,414
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Operating payables	\$ 39,210
Grants and advances held for future projects	10,341
	\$ 49,551
<u>Net assets</u>	
Unrestricted for operations	\$ 166,805
Unallocated drugs, medical supplies and equipment	410,876
Temporarily restricted fund assets	194,182
	771,863
	\$ 821,414

Crosslink International, Ltd. Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets Year ended September 30, 2005

	Operations	Medical Inventory	Temporarily Restricted	Total
<u>Income</u>				
Donated drugs, medical supplies and equipment	\$	\$3,004,912	\$	\$3,004,912
Contributions & grants	491,668			491,668
Fees and reimbursed shipping	80,801			80,801
Investment income	329		108	437
Annuity released from endowment	4,767		-4,767	
	577,565	3,004,912	-4,659	3,577,818
<u>Expenses</u>				
Program services				
Distribution to healthcare providers	253,212	3,130,392		3,383,604
Collection and warehousing	99,871			99,871
Interaction with other humanitarian aid organizations	41,472			41,472
	394,555	3,130,392	0	3,524,947
Supporting Services				
General administration	70,278		3,657	73,935
Fund raising	44,572			44,572
	114,850	0	3,657	118,507
Total expenses	509,405	3,130,392	3,657	3,643,454
Net change in net assets	68,160	125,480	-8,316	-65,636
Net assets, beginning of year	98,645	536,356	202,498	837,499
Net assets, end of year	\$166,805	\$410,876	\$194,182	\$771,863

The organization's financial records are examined by Cherry Bekaert & Holland, LLP.

Sharing His Love in China

(excerpted from a team report – no names are used because of political situations)



Providing medical care in a church clinic in China.

Our church mission started in 1995 in a city near the North Korean border. At the beginning of our work, we had a very difficult time with the officials. They were courteous, but very strict with their rules and watched our every movement. They wanted to see if we shared the Gospel with local people. Yet, they asked us to help local schools and nursing homes. We were very nervous.

We prayed and worked very hard and shared our Lord's love with everyone that we met. Over the years our prayers have been answered, and in 2001 we were allowed to build a small church.

When our group traveled to China this year, the officials were very happy to see us. They were friendly and sincere.



Church Clinic.

We visited approximately eight churches and treated their members as well as local people. Most of our patients were adults because children are rarely permitted in church. All of them have chronic health problems such as arthritis, digestive problem, hypertension, diabetes, cataracts and hearing problems. The children we did see had colds, allergies and skin conditions. There are many hospitals, both government and private, but they lack equipment and medicines. The people cannot afford to get help for these chronic conditions which

need continuous medication.

Thank you for the medicines and supplies. They helped us to treat so many people that cannot get medical care.

Many of them wanted to know why we do this for free and asked why we are working so hard in such a poor environment, yet seem so happy. We were so glad to tell them that God loves them so much. Thank you, CrossLink, for helping us to share His love.



Waiting to be seen.

Kiln, cont.

You know, it would have been so easy to say, "We're a small group. We can't really do a lot." But God had other plans.

It reminds me of a quote I've heard for years: "I am only one, But still I am one. I cannot do everything, But still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything I will not refuse to do the something that I can do." Isn't it amazing what God can do when we are willing?

*CrossLink wishes to especially thank Mrs. Hubert N. Hoffman, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Morgan and the INOVA Health System Foundation for their generous contributions to the Kiln project, and Hilldrup Moving and Storage for donating transportation.

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CrossLink is audited annually by an independent public accounting firm and our audit is available upon request.

NEWS BRIEFS

Band Aid Ball Updates



The sounds of drums will fill the air as CrossLink International's third annual "**Band Aid Ball**" goes to Africa. The theme will be interpreted by Falika's African fashions during the evening. Soul In Motion Players will share the richness and the experiences of the African-American culture through theatre, dance, and drumming. The event will be held March 25th at the Fairview Park Marriott in Falls Church, VA at 7:00 pm. For more information or tickets, contact CrossLink at 703-534-5465 or info@crosslinkinternational.net.

Flute Concert

The Columbia Flute Choir, directed by Sharyn Byer, will present a concert on Friday, April 28th at Columbia Baptist Church to benefit the work of CrossLink International. This talented group has been delighting Washington, DC audiences since 1994, performing throughout the metropolitan area. Columbia Flute Choir has performed at the White House, on the Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage, and on various concert series in the DC area. A special feature of the concert will be guest artist, Elizabeth Blakeslee, a free-lance harpist in the Washington, DC area, who frequently appears with the National Symphony Orchestra. For more information about the concert, contact CrossLink at 703-534-5465.

Upcoming Exhibits

Members of the CrossLink International staff will be in attendance at the following meetings:

Baptist Medical Dental Fellowship – Memphis, TN
March 9-12, 2006 – Hilton Memphis

Mission Fest – Ontario, CA
May 19 -21, 2006 – Ontario Convention Center



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