

PARAGUAY BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION

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"And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God, and to perform healing." Luke 9:2

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It is such an honor to serve the Paraguay Baptist Medical Center Foundation (PBMCF) as president. I am humbled for the trust that the board has placed in me and am committed to working diligently to assist the board in completing our goals. The PBMCF exists to provide support to the work of the Paraguay Baptist Medical Center (Centro Medico Bautista). I have great love for this work in Paraguay having spent almost 17 years, serving alongside hospital and missionary staff at the hospital. Working in the malnourished children's program in Pediatrics, Prepared Childbirth classes, providing consultation to nursing mothers along with teaching at the Paraguay Baptist Hospital Nursing School I learned so much. So much of what I believe today about serving others in the name of Jesus, was given form and content by the collaboration with the Hospital. This great work continues in Paraguay, built on the foundation laid by missionaries, Paraguayan professionals, volunteers from the US and the contributions through the foundation. The vision cast by Marlin Harris those years ago drives each member of the foundation to serve the Paraguayan peoples through the Paraguay Baptist Hospital. I am praying that as I serve the board, we will keep our vision and mission always in clear view, and that the Father who sends us to serve will be honored by our work.

PBMCF DONORS 2016

Centro Médico Bautista (our Medical Center in Asuncion, Paraguay) sends a heart-felt thank you to our donors for their contributions during 2016. Thank you for your faithfulness, your prayers, and financial support. You are making a difference in a health facility that reaches more lost than all missions and churches in the country of Paraguay, South America. Thank you!

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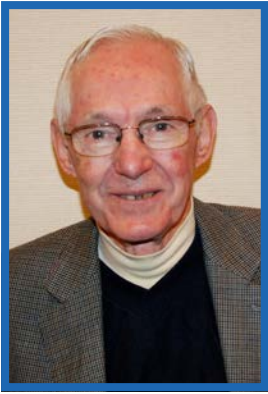
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MY INVOLVEMENT

WITH THE PARAGUAY BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION



I first learned about Paraguay when I was studying Spanish in high school in the early 50's. Our teacher said that she wanted us to learn more than just the language – she wanted us to learn about the people, their work, their country, and their culture. Therefore, we had to write an essay on each of the

countries of South America during the course of the study. This was my first introduction to Paraguay.

My next indirect involvement with Paraguay was through missionaries Bill and Fran Skinner. It was in the early 70's and they were on furlough from the Baptist Hospital in Paraguay to get their children situated in college. My wife and I met them through our church affiliation. Since that time, almost 50 years now, we have been friends with this wonderful family.

Dr. Franklin Fowler and Dr. Bill Skinner, both now in their 90's, were the doctors most responsible for getting the Baptist Hospital started in Asuncion, Paraguay in 1952. The Skinners gave over 38 years of missionary service through the work of this hospital. In keeping with the original agreement made between the hospital and the International Mission Board, Centro Medico Bautista (Paraguay's Baptist Medical Center) received its last funds from the International Mission Board in 1995.

Marlin Harris, the last American hospital Administrator at CMB, and Al Hethcock, a former hospital administrator himself, created the Paraguay Baptist Medical Center Foundation in 1999.

The two-fold purpose of this foundation was and is 1) to promote awareness of the tremendous work being done through this Baptist hospital in the heart of South America and 2) to provide financial assistance to the hospital. Marlin Harris, President,

and Chairman of the Board, Emeritus, is now in a health care facility in Alabama. Al Hethcock, Executive Director of the Board, resides in Arlington, Texas. The four aforementioned people are the ones most responsible for the establishment of the hospital and the foundation which seeks to provide ongoing support for the hospital.

Now, my direct involvement with Paraguay was through two mission trips, in 2003 and 2004. In 2003, twenty people from the United States were on the mission trip, and in 2004 thirty people made the trip. On both occasions, my wife and I had the privilege of working with Marlin Harris, Al Hethcock and wife Peggy, Dr. and Mrs Skinner, and other laymen and dedicated doctors and nurses. We experienced firsthand the passion these people have for sharing the Gospel and providing medical services to people who are in need of both.

The "Institutional Verse" of the hospital is Matthew 4:23.

"Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the

Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness."

When you support the Paraguay Baptist Medical Center Foundation, you are helping to proclaim the Good News and to heal every kind of disease and illness. You are doing it every time this dedicated hospital staff performs these ministries, and you are doing it in the name of Jesus.

— OUR PARAGUAY EXPERIENCE —

(FROM GARY DRAPER)



Mary and I met in Chicago during my senior year in medical school. While I was doing a rotating internship in Detroit, we got married. We moved on to do family practice-2 years on Indian Reservations in Idaho and Nebraska followed by 20 months in a private practice in Missouri where I realized

the need for anesthesiologists. Consequently, I took a residency at U. of Iowa in anesthesia.

During these educational and practice years (1961-68), we became aware of the possibility of assisting in certain foreign mission endeavors on a 6-month volunteer basis. God led us to investigate farther. The Baptist Mission Hospital, now known as Centro Medico Bautista, in Asuncion was in need of an anesthesiologist to train someone to administer anesthetic agents other than open drop ether. The hospital expressed great interest in my coming to train one of their nurses in the use of an ane4sthesia machine and new anesthetic agents as well as updating in the use of spinal anesthesia.

When we departed the U.S., we had little boys, ages 5 and 2 ½. The hospital provided us with an apartment. Watching God at work in providing for our airfare, a year's supply of expensive anesthetic agent, our food and other living expenses was amazing. We had no financial support from the hospital or the Baptist FMB, nor had we mentioned a need to anyone except God. A small Baptist church in Missouri heard that we were going and sent us some money. We did not know how much was needed, but God had furnished us with the exact amount. This series of events was one of the most faith-building experiences that we have ever had during our lifetime.

The hospital selected a nurse, Seniorita Frasqueri, as my trainee. We did surgical cases in the morning, went through an anesthesia textbook in the afternoons, and did emergencies whenever needed. Many of the

Paraguayan employees were anxious to learn more English, and I, more Spanish; therefore we had great fun in frequent 2-way language learning lessons.

I was told that Asuncion's population was 300,000 at that time. The city had one stoplight and one supermarket (a long distance from us). Mary had to buy food supplies almost daily from nearby booths each selling only 1 or 2 items and requiring bargaining to buy. No refrigeration in the area, animals were butchered early in the morning and sold by 8 or 9 a.m. She did our laundry in a round tub using a washboard. The boys loved playing in the red dirt resulting in red tinged clothes regardless of laundering efforts. We did not want to be a burden to the missionaries; therefore we tried very hard to be self-sufficient.

I had a few opportunities to go with Dr. Wilbur Lewis and a national pastor, out into village churches where we had clinic all day. After a meal, we had a sermon followed by the showing of a Christian film. This was a rarity there because no electricity or films were available in these rural areas. NO ONE LEFT EARLY and many accepted Christ as Savior.

We were blessed with opportunities to visit several Baptist churches started by missionaries from the hospital. Their hospital was astounding. We headed home after 6 months – sad to leave, but blessed by the experiences we had shared with these warm, happy, and loving Paraguayan Christians.

Over 30 years later, we heard about PBMCF planning a mission trip to Paraguay. We have participated in several mission trips since. It is indeed marvelous what the dedicated Paraguayan Christian staff has been able to accomplish through the hospital. Their high quality medical care is known throughout their country. I feel that PBMCF has made and hopefully will continue to make a contribution to rural and urban medical care. More importantly, I pray that our clinics and visits will continue to be instrumental in spreading the message of Christ across their land.

(Donors 2016 Continued)

IN MEMORY OF

Bill & Jane Hickman

Bill Hickham

Bill Lovett

Bulia Mae Hunnicutt

Ted Beach & Charles Forte

Charles Forte & Ted Beach

Richard Hamblen

Peggy Hethcock

Rev. Charles Smothers Sr.

Wilbur Lewis

James Watson Sr.

IN HONOR OF

Al Hethcock

Marlin Harris



Updates Needed for Meeting Municipal Building Standards

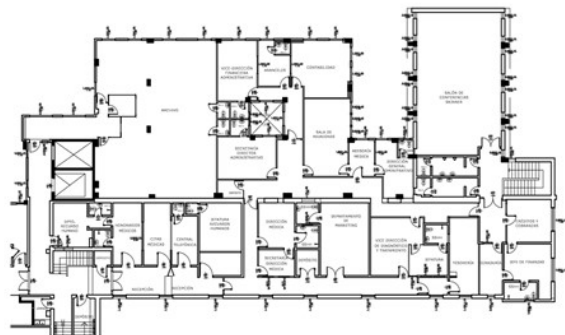
Administrative Block

By disposition of the Municipal Authorities we must modify the Administrative Block of the First floor in order to fulfill ventilation requirements.

PLANO PRIMER PISO - PROPUESTA.



PLANO PRIMER PISO - ACTUAL.



Oncology Project

It is with great satisfaction we wish to share with you that we first began admitting residents for Clinical Specialty in Oncology in 2015.

The program lasts for four years. In the period 2016 we have admitted another cohort and plan to continue for the following years.

This demands economic resources that exceed our possibilities, so we ask the applicants to carry out the residency without payment and later if we receive some donation for the effect we would offer them reimbursement.

Projected Costs for Oncology Residents

Year Began	Years of Program					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
2015	3 R1	3 R2	3 R3	3 R4		
2016		2 R1	2 R2	2 R3	2 R4	
2017			2 R1	2 R2	2 R3	2 R4
2018				2 R1	2 R2	2 R3
2019					2 R1	2 R2
2020						2 R1
Total # per year	3 RESID.	5 RESID.	7 RESID.	9 RESID.	8 RESID.	8 RESID.

Unit Costs for Scholarships	R1= USD 851
	R2= USD 122
	R3= USD 815
	R4= USD 893

Year Began	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
2015	1,892.37	2,165.89	2,439.36	2,678.57		
2016		1,261.58	1,443.93	1,626.24	1,785.71	
2017			1,261.58	1,443.93	1,626.24	1,785.71
2018				1,261.58	1,443.93	1,626.24
2019					1,261.58	1,443.93
2020						1,261.58
Total per year	1,892.37	3,427.47	5,144.86	7,010.31	6,117.46	6,117.46

The Challenges/Goals in Numbers

N°	Project	Cost in US Dollars
1	Digital Angiography Equipment	710,009.10
2	Emergency Room Renovation	50,000.00
3	Project to Bring to Code: Administrative Block	49,610.00
4	Oncology Project - Scholarships for Residents 2017	5,144.86
5	Construction of Oncology Unit	300,000.00
6	Remodeling of Ebsa Building	1,800,000.00
7	Dressing Area Recreation Complex in the City of Emboscada-	51,503.56
	Total:	2,966,267.52

Centro Médico Bautista

Goals 2017 and beyond

Purchase Digital Angiography Equipment

- Brand: Siemens.
- Model: Artis One.
- Provider: Elizeche S.A.C.
- Includes software for the following specialties:
Cardiology
Neurology .
Peripheral Vascular.
Urology.
Intervencional Radiology.

SIEMENS HEALTHCARE. ARTIS ONE



Budget Proposal

Angiogram Equipment		ELIZECHE S.A.C. Merca: SIEMENS Modelo: ARTIS ONE In US Dolars
1	ORIGINAL COST	788,899.00
2	10% DISCOUNT	78,889.90
3	EQUIPEMENT COST	710,009.10
4	DELIVERY COST	0
5	INTEREST 36 MONTHS 12 PAYMENTS	0
6	DISMANTLING CHARGES FOR EXISTING EQUIPMENT	0
TOTAL COST		710,009.10
7	EXPECTED DELIVERY	16 WEEKS(128 DIAS APROXIMADAMENTE)
8	FINANCING	10 % deposit when ordered 10% when shipped 10% when delivered and functioning.
		BALANCE OF 70% 639,018.19 en 36 meses
		* 8 Payments 16,015
		*16 Payments 17,015
		*11 Payments 8,053.86
		* 1 Payment 8,053.91
9	GAURANTEE DEL EQUIPO	3 Years from date of manufacture

REMODELING OF EMERGENCY ROOM

Considering that the need to provide emergency care has increased in recent years, we intend to increase the number of beds in the department

We also see the need to improve and modernize the unit

VISTA ACCESO - ACTUAL



CMB - EMERGENCIAS



PROPUESTA DE DISTRIBUCION INTERIOR



CMB - EMERGENCIAS

