



MEDSEND CLASS OF JUNE 2011

These healthcare professionals are approved for MedSend grants and ready to serve – as soon as their grants are funded. Without your help, they can't go!

Audrey B. *, MD

Location: Africa

Assignment: A surgeon, she will develop and staff an outpatient surgery center and will also do village outreach.

Call: "On a mission trip at age 13 I realized that there is nothing more I want to do with my life than to share the gospel with those who don't have the opportunity to hear. I came back home with this resolve and have spent the last 16 years of my life preparing for long-term missions work."

*Name changed for security reasons



Jessica T. *, MSN, RN

Location: Horn of Africa

Assignment: Will serve in a clinic for refugees and will also do health education in local villages, focusing on women's community development and evangelism.

Call: "In college I became absolutely certain of the Lord's call on my life and I went to graduate school to study nursing with the intent of using this skill to take the gospel to the lost nations around the world."

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Stephanie Onguka, MD

Location: East Africa

Assignment: Will establish a medical ministry in the slums and teach at a university, evangelizing and discipling physicians in training.

Call: "It is both my devotion to Jesus Christ and my desire to serve Him while modeling His love for others that motivates me to serve the poor."



Sarah Hollingsworth, RN, MPH

Location: Boston and East Africa

Assignment: In Boston, will help start a public health ministry in immigrant neighborhoods. In Africa, will serve in a medical clinic for orphans and struggling families and organize community health outreach.

Call: "The Lord has given me a passion for medicine and a desire to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the hurting and the broken."



Nathan Piovesan, MD

Location: Asian nation where 50% survive on less than \$1 per day and have little or no medical care available.

Assignment: Will serve as a general surgeon in a Christian hospital providing emergency and elective surgical treatment for a patient base of over 10 million. Will also train surgical residents and nurses and perform administrative duties

Call: "God has given me a gift and a burden, a gift of using my hands to bring healing and a burden to further His kingdom here on Earth."



James Lee, MD

Location: East Timor

Assignment: Provide primary care in a community-based urgent care clinic and hospital.

Call: "Ever since the day that I became a Christian and I experienced the joy of being loved unconditionally by God, I've wanted to tell others about Christ. I sincerely hope that my life can be a blessing to the people of East Timor just like the American missionaries in Korea have been a blessing to my family."



Cristine Masters, MSN, FNP

Location: Southeast Asia

Assignment: Will serve the working poor in rural provinces and train village healthcare workers.

Call: "Faith in God's sovereignty has given me freedom to follow the Lord wherever He calls me... I know as I live out my faith, it is being perfected and shines as a beacon to the lost."



Andrew Mahoney, MD

Location: Madagascar

Assignment: Will use medicine and community health to minister to the 800,000 people in smaller, and often hard to reach, people groups.

Call: "Just before my 21st birthday God called me to work in international missions, telling the Good News to people who have never heard about Jesus... Where I used to live for me, I now live for Christ and His goals and plans have become mine as well."



Kristen Reid, MD

Location: Uganda

Assignment: At a Christian university, will train future leaders to serve the poor through public health and health education. Will also serve at an HIV/AIDS clinic.

Call: "From previous mission trips, my husband and I both felt a connection with Africa and wondered if at some point we would be called into missions. The last time we returned to Uganda, we asked God, 'Is this the time?' And He said clearly, 'YES!'"



David ben-Avraham, MSN

Location: USA

Assignment: Serve as a nurse practitioner providing community healthcare to the underserved and impoverished of North Philadelphia.

Call: "My wife and I believe that the Lord has called us to missions, long term... He has given us so much, and we want to give back with all we have, for the rest of our lives."



Linda B. *, BSN, RN

Location: North Africa.

Assignment: Will serve as a nurse at a hospital with urgent staffing needs, helping to manage the surgical floor and ICU and training nurses.

Call: "My team and I are leaving family and friends to go into a very dangerous situation, but we are also certain that the Lord is calling us to this."

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H.C. *, MD

Location: Southeast Asia

Assignment: Will serve as a pediatrician in a small community hospital and hopes to do preventative care and rural outreach.

Call: "It was a shocker to me to be called to Southeast Asia, but it was such a heavenly moment that neither my husband nor I have ever doubted the call. It was very obviously God's will for us, and there is no better place to be than walking in His will for my life."

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GRANT RENEWALS

MedSend is focused on enabling the service of career healthcare missionaries.

We are especially pleased to approve renewal grants for the following group of seasoned healthcare professionals:

Drew F. **, MD

Cheron Hardy, MSN, NP-C, CNM

Wendy H. , MD

E.J. *, BSN, RN

Physician serving in Africa

Nurse serving in Haiti

Ophthalmologist serving in Gabon

Nurse serving in Central Asia

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