

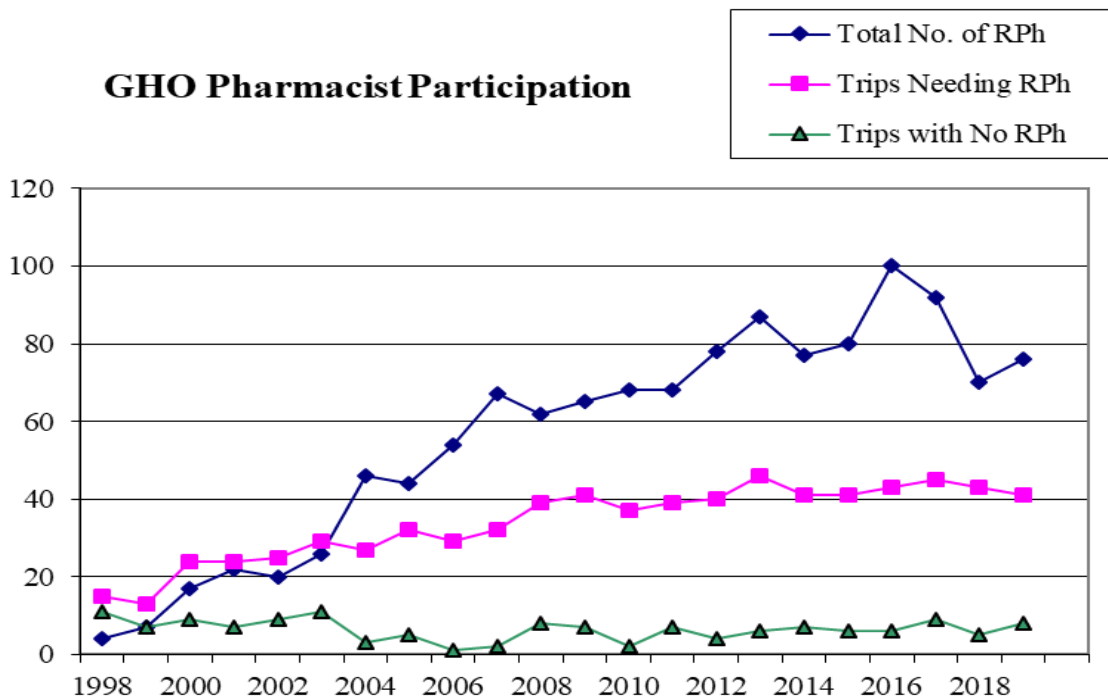


## **CPFI Mission Committee Report Nov. 7, 2019**

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### **Short term mission projects:**

We thankfully have continued to have pharmacists and student pharmacists go on short term mission projects with Global Health Outreach (GHO) teams, college of pharmacy teams, and church teams. In 2019 there have or will be 57 pharmacist and 19 pharmacy students participating on 34 GHO teams. Seven teams have not had a pharmacist, and there is one to go out that could still use one or two. The 47 GHO teams that are providing services in 2019 have 1045 participants. Thanks to the many CPFI members who have participated this year. Already 16 pharmacists have signed up for teams in 2020.



The journal, newsletter, and webpage continue to promote upcoming GHO opportunities. The Mission Committee continues to offer scholarships for pharmacists and students who desire to participate in short-term outreach projects. While Ron Herman made these funds known to

those gathered at the National Student Retreat this past June in Myrtle Beach, and I have promoted this opportunity while meeting with students at Campbell University, the University of the Incarnate Word, and High Point University, we have not had any applicants to date this year for our scholarships.

### **Outreach resources:**

The pharmacist's handbook manual for short-term medical missions, the *Best Practices* paper, prescription labels for copying, and a sample formulary, are all available on the CPFI website.

Some people after reading our website page that lists our beliefs might want to know more about how they can have a relationship with God. As a result, there is a link to a page that helps seekers have their questions answered, and then tries to help them come to Christ ([www.everystudent.com](http://www.everystudent.com)).

### **Support for our African Outreach:**

Bob Watt continues to keep in frequent contact with close collaborators in Africa. Ebola continues to spread in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The malaria clinical trial using the natural plant *Artemisia annua* was completed in December 2018. Bob has slowly received final data and had questions clarified to begin months of data analysis and to hopefully publish the information. Also the triple natural therapy (TNT) products manufactured in Kampala, Uganda on Bob's last trip continue to be used effectively for the treatment of HIV/AIDS in Bunia with a treatment of only one month. If funds for making additional product are available, this could also result in a significantly more effective and affordable adjunct to the present toxic and expensive products on the market for AIDS treatment.

### **Equipping pharmacists for outreach:**

How often do you prescribe specific and appropriate doses of grace that may bring your patients a step closer to a right relationship with God? Many of us in healthcare struggle with guilt and inadequacy in this area. But there is hope.

*Grace Prescriptions* is designed to teach you to share your faith with patients in ways that safeguard the important ethical principles of respect, sensitivity and permission. Originally taught in the popular *Saline Solution* course, these concepts are proven to be effective as thousands of lives have been transformed. *Grace Prescriptions* builds on this legacy. It is taught by co-authors Walt Larimore, MD, and William C. Peel, ThM. The program comes as an eight-DVD (14-Modules) with an instructor's manual and participant's manuals for small group presentations. Further information may be obtained from the CPFI or CMDA websites. If anyone has interest and would like help put together a plan to keep the issue of personal outreach before each of us, please let myself or someone on the Mission Committee know.

Respectfully submitted, *Keith Allhands*, chair