



## **CPFI Mission Committee Report Nov. 19, 2021**

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Praise the Lord we have been able to restart sending short-term medical mission brigades through Global Health Outreach (GHO). Starting in May through the end of 2021, fifteen GHO teams have been completed with 223 participants, 25 pharmacists and 1 student. While they have had their challenges, they have been going well. COVID vaccination is now required to travel with GHO as well as the use of standard PPE throughout the mission. This includes masking the US and national team as well as every patient throughout their clinic visit. These and other protocols have been implemented to protect team members.

Thanks to the CPFI members who have participated this year. We look forward to pharmacists, student pharmacists, and other servants serving in 2022. To date there are 19 trips scheduled through June and so far 6 pharmacists have signed up for those trips.

The journal, newsletter, and webpage continue to promote future GHO opportunities. The Mission Committee continues to offer scholarships for pharmacists and students who desire to participate in short-term outreach projects. While we made these funds known to those gathered during our National Student Retreat virtual meeting this past June and have promoted this opportunity while meeting with students at Campbell University, Cedarville University, and Wingate University, we have not had any applicants to date this year for our scholarships.

The CPFI Missions Committee would like to recognize one of our own. Anne Clay in May of this year ended her seventeen-year tenure with Teams for Medical Missions based out of Macungie, Pennsylvania. The Lord has blessed Teams for Medical Missions through Anne as she provided the expertise needed to help create the Jamaican medical short-term teams structure used presently. Ann has served the Lord and the people of Jamaica faithfully. Anne is now working for Lehigh Valley Hospital as a Consultant Pharmacist for two low-income clinics in Allentown, PA, where she is able to use her giftedness and experience to impact those in the Lehigh Valley. Thank you, Anne, for your faith service. May the Lord continue to bless you as you serve in your new servant's role.

Respectfully submitted, *Keith Allhands*, chair