Lives saved in Nicaragua!

Report for first Half of 2012

for those of you who didn't see it on Facebook.

June 30, 2012

Our mission is to provide emergency medical transport in the RAAN (North-East corner) of Nicaragua, and we are the only airplane based on the Atlantic Coast of Nicaragua.

On December 31, 2011, our last update was sent out detailing our activities in Nicaragua. This last year has been busy, and we are thankful to have offered our services to help the Miskito people of the Atlantic Coast. This is only made possible by a host of people, from the local town we live in, La Tronquera, RAAN, to the top leaders of the Nicaraguan Government, to the heads of several large charity organizations in America, such as Wings of Hope. The finances to run our operation come mostly from individual people in America who want to help the Miskito people. There is no charge for our services in Nicaragua to the local people needing the medical evacuation.

Here is a record of our flights for medical transports and medical support. Most of the airplane medical transports were done at the direct request of MINSA, the government hospital. The dentists and mobile clinics were done with personnel from MINSA, the United States, and local projects.
1st half of 2012

- January 1, 2012 – 4 month old boy with heart trouble on oxygen. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- January 3 – 6 day old girl with obstructed bowel. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- January 11 – 45 year old female, bleeding. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- January 22 – Lapan Vision Clinic with Verbo team out of Puerto Cabezas, helped 70 people
- January 23 – 60 year old male diabetic. Bonanza to Waspam
- January 27 – 3 month old boy with pneumonia. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- January 31 – 20 year old in labor with twins. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- February 11 – 33 year old male with major head injuries / 6 year old boy that needed operation. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- February 15 – 25 year old in labor with complications. Tronquera to Waspam
- February 15 – 20 year old male with bullet in leg, gangrene / 9 month old girl with pneumonia. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- February 17 – 15 day old boy, pneumonia, on oxygen. San Carlos to Waspam
- February 18 – 23 year old girl with new baby, mother heavily bleeding. San Carlos to Waspam
- February 20 – 10 year old girl needed operation / 18 year old male machete cut. Waspam to Puerto C.
- February 20 – 1 month old sick baby, 14 year old mother. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- February 21 – 1 month old boy on oxygen, trouble breathing, pneumonia / 35 year old male with kidney trouble. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- February 22 – MINSA Mobile clinic in Lapan with nurse and dentist. 30 patients, 36 extractions
- February 25 – 3 month old girl pneumonia on oxygen / 12 year old boy with eye injury. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- March 10 – 23 day baby with pneumonia / 26 year old male with head injuries in convulsions. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- March 16 – 22 year old male with major head injuries. San Carlos to Waspam
- March 17 – 17 year old pregnant with pre-eclampsia. Almost delivered in airplane.
San Carlos to Waspam
- March 18 – 10 year boy with appendicitis. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- March 20 – 11 year old boy with appendicitis. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- March 29 – 11 year old girl with trouble breathing. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- March 29 – 12 year old girl with broken femur (leg), fell out of a tree. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- April 1 – 32 year old after birth complications / 21 year male with appendicitis. San Carlos to Waspam
- April 3 – 3 year old girl hot water burns. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- April 12 – 10 month old girl with pneumonia, trouble breathing. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- April 17 – MINSA Mobile clinic in Lapan. Saw 85 patients
- April 17 – 56 year old male with TB, weak / 22 year girl with bad abscess. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- April 24 – 3 mothers with 3 sick babies: 4 month girl, 8 month girl, 1 ½ year old boy. Lapan to Puerto C.
- April 24 – MINSA - Delivered nurse to Lapan
- April 25 – 60 year old lady with heart trouble and trouble breathing. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
- April 28 – 21 year old male with perforated intestines / 88 year old male with broken shoulder. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- May 10 – 1 month old girl with sepsis. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- May 12 – 10 month boy with pneumonia on oxygen / 24 day old boy for operation. Waspam to Puerto C.
- May 14 – 3 month old boy with pneumonia on oxygen. San Carlos to Waspam
- May 16 – 18 year old in labor, complications. San Carlos to Waspam
- May 22 – 16 year old male with ruptured appendix. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- May 22 – MINSA - Delivered nurse and 100 lbs of medicine to Lapan
- May 23 – 9 year old boy with rotten hip socket bone, in great pain. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- May 25 – 5 month baby on oxygen / 80 year old female with blocked bowels. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- May 26 – 20 year old male ruptured appendix / 7 year old girl with swollen throat. Waspam to Puerto C.
- May 29 – 59 year old male with appendicitis. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
- May 30 - 26 year old paralyzed female Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
May 30 – 27 year old with after birth complications, sepsis. San Carlos to Waspam
June 5 – 9 year old girl with abdominal pain / 58 year male needed operation. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
June 5 – 8 year old boy with distended stomach in pain. 2nd trip of same day. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
June 8 – 25 year old pregnant snake bite, unconscious in convulsions. (She lived!) San Carlos to Waspam
June 8 – 3 day old boy broken upper arm / 11 year old boy with broken shoulder. Waspam to Puerto C.
June 10 – Mobile Clinic - Dentist to Lapan, pulled teeth in 38 people
June 10 – 52 year old female with bad abdominal pain. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
June 13 – 14 month old girl with pneumonia. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
June 14 – MINSA - 90 pounds medicine and nurse delivered to Lapan
June 16 – 50 year old male with compound arm break, open and bleeding. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas.
June 18 – 20 year old male with broken leg and many machete cuts. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
June 20 – 22 year old male with broken upper arm and pregnant wife. Lapan to Puerto Cabezas
June 21 – 26 year old pregnancy complications. San Carlos to Waspam
June 22 – 20 year old in premature labor / 48 year old male, diabetic. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
June 24 – 18 year old girl in labor, pre-eclampsia, accompanied by nurse. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
June 27 – 21 year old girl with pre-eclampsia accompanied by doctor. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas
June 28 – 30 year old pregnant with pre-eclampsia, needed C-section. Waspam to Puerto Cabezas

We transported a total of 69 patients that were critically ill with the airplane during the first 6 months of 2012. Many of these would have either died or lost their babies without quick medical transport. Mobile clinics with the airplane have also allowed many patients to be seen in Lapan, preventing emergencies.

We also transported patients in our truck from 8 villages around Tronquera to the hospital in Waspam.
This is all made possible by a dedicated team of people. There is not enough room on paper to thank everyone who has had a part in saving these lives, and improving health of the people we have had the privilege of working with this past year. To all those unnamed people, be sure we are extremely thankful for your part.

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God Bless,

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