

Belize Mission Project Newsletter Announcing the Fall Trip October 22nd to October 30th, 2004





"Belize Mission Project 2003"

We are entering another election process in this country. Candidates will stand up and promise the world will be a better place once you put them in office. After elected those promises seem to disappear . Participation in a mission trip allows one to REALLY be of help to less fortunate people. The



statement one can make by going is not an empty promise. The impact you make is real and much appreciated.

Since one of the goals of this trip is to encourage people to participate in mission projects. It is nice to hear about our past participants going on the other trips. Dr. Ed Kircher and wife, Tammie, Dr. Rich Meltebeke and Dr. Bill Sproll recently went to Costa Rica. Dr. Frank Miller participates in almost six trips a year and Dennis and Luanne Rognes just came back from a local church related mission trip. There are others from last year's Belize Trip who have been involved in additional trips. Once you try short-term mission work, it can become addicting.

Last year we repeated a trip to a remote town close to the Mexican border. This is a difficult place to get to and our services were greatly appreciated. In addition we added another area with a high Indian population, which never gets help. We continue to explorer underserved areas for both medicine and dentistry.



Please help us keep the trip going.

We would always like to have the name of people who might be interested in our project. Please pass the information on about the trip and then give me a call so I can include their name on our mailing list.

And Remember Our WebSite:

www.belizemissionproject.com

Here are just a few comments from some of the Belize Mission Project volunteers...

"Our mission trips in 2002 and 2003 to Belize have been life changing experiences. Although the work can be strenuous at times the rewards are much greater! We could not have chosen a better group of people to work with or a better group to serve. The people of Belize are so friendly and grateful. We have learned from these trips that "Flexibility is the key" and we look forward to more mission trips in the future!"

Dr Keith and Becky Johnson DH

"Experiencing Belize as a volunteer with this group has been a life changing event. Providing these needed dental services in this mission setting is something I plan to do each year as long as I can".

Dr. Linda Oster





The dental clinics concentrate on restorative (fillings) and preventive dentistry. Dental technicians make removable appliances, which has been a big success. There is a great need for dental technicians, hygienists, and assistants.

Medical clinics are always busy with patients with various needs. The medications distributed are so valuable and difficult to obtain in Belize. For physicians and their assistants, we focus on family practice type clinics. Where possible, we try to utilize specialists in their treatment areas.





This trip is very comfortable and non-threatening. The citizens of Belize are very welcoming. We are now announcing our next Belize Mission Project, which will be Oct. 22 to Oct. 30, 2004. This mission will be both medical and dental. Anyone is welcome... Dentists, Physicians, P.A.'s, N.P.'s, hygienists, dental assistants, non-medical help, and everyone in between. If you would like more information concerning this experience or if you want to sign up, contact the following;

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Unfortunately, we have to limit the number of participants and there are a lot of people that enjoy going each year so...DON'T WAIT!

