

# NEWS PEACE

## Teach One. Heal Many.

by James E. (Jamie) Morgan, CEO

Five billion people lack access to safe and affordable surgical care, including anesthesia; every year 143 million additional surgical procedures are required in developing countries.

Through established long-term, relationship-based partnerships in several countries, Physicians for Peace works to strengthen delivery of surgical care to alleviate suffering and transform lives in under-resourced communities around the world. Our volunteers, known as International Medical Educators (IMEs) are an essential component of our model to train the trainer.

Highlights of our work include:

- training the first-ever surgery fellow in Reconstructive Urology in the Dominican Republic - a country that currently has none;
- assisted with creating a cadre of local surgical burn care experts who are ready to treat patients' immediate injuries and their long-term physical and emotional health in Latin America and the Caribbean;
- ongoing support of an operating room dedicated to surgical training activities as well as the training of surgical registrars and clinical officers in Malawi
- A new collaboration with Queen Elizabeth central Hospital in Malawi to provide training for their brand new Pediatric Intensive care Unit.

I hope you will enjoy these photos and the stories they tell. What we do is made possible by you.

Sincerely,



Jamie



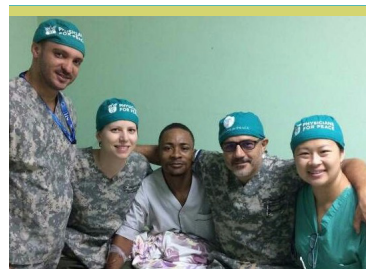
*"If you heal someone, you help one person. If you teach someone to heal, you help many."* founder Dr. Charles E. Horton, Sr.



L-R Leslie Toledo, Program Director; Bibiana Gama, Program Director; Natalia Ponce de Leon, Acid Attack Survivor & Advocate; Dr. Ramon Virasoro, PFP IME; Karen LeRette, Director of Development

### From Victim to Advocate.

"I feel like I have been reborn from the ashes and I know that, through the training they provided, Physicians for Peace volunteers have helped me on my path." Natalia Ponce de León, who survived an acid attack, has undergone an estimated 20 reconstructive surgeries and started her own foundation to advocate for other acid attack survivors in Colombia.



L-R: Dr. Wellington Ladesma, PFP Reconstructive Urology Fellow; Dr. Jessica DeLong, PFP IME; urology patient; Dr. Ramon Virasoro, PFP IME; Dr. Amanda Chung, PFP IME

### On Track.

"I'm very pleased that we are working together and developing this model of care and am hopeful that our success will allow it to become a translatable model of training." PFP IME Dr. Jessica DeLong. Currently, Wellington Ladesma, the first fellow in the Reconstructive Urology Fellowship, which DeLong helped launch in the Dominican Republic, is completing his training.