



August 2024

Chichi Team

Report

August 17-24, 2024

Trip Attendees: Dr. Donna Lett, Dr. Ron Wiewora, Dr. Alan Boyd, Xochilt Rosales DDS, Mallory Neumann, Jodi Pilot RN, Kayel Newland, Matthew Lee, Katy Oliver, Bode Teague.

Arrival into Guatemala

Our journey began smoothly with all flights arriving on time in Guatemala City on Saturday. After a restful night, Otto and Wilder met us on Sunday for the drive to Chichicastenango. Upon arrival, we checked in, had lunch, and met with Kemmel and Lisa before heading to the market for a bit of shopping. We concluded the day by attending church in Chichi.

Monday marked our first day of clinics. We split the team: some went to Clinica Caris with Lisa, while the rest headed to Paxot III. We were met with a large number of ABC kids and their families, providing medical evaluations, dental care, and pharmacy services. The day was productive enough that we returned to Paxot III on Tuesday.

On Wednesday, the team split again, with most heading to Chucipaca. We were greeted by many ABC kids, their families, and others in need of medical or dental care. The day was packed with appointments and capped off with a delicious lunch of fried chicken, beans, and salad.



Thursday's clinics took us to Clinica Caris, Chichi, and Las Trampas. The majority traveled over an hour to Las Trampas, where we were met with a high volume of patients eager for medical and dental care. This was a long but rewarding day.

On Friday, we packed up and drove to Antigua, where we checked into the Porta Hotel. The day was spent shopping, eating, sightseeing, and enjoying more food. We had our traditional dinner at the hotel, savoring our last evening together before heading to the airport on Saturday morning.

Clinic Summary:

Medical Evaluations:

168 ABC kids

18 prenatal mothers

109 others

Dental Care:

112 ABC kids

43 others

75 total cleanings

This productive week was made possible by the coordination and hard work of our TSI counterparts, who make it all look easy. A special thank you to Kemmel and Lisa Dunham for their cooperation and coordination to ensure the success of this trip.

The week was great and the team even better.

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