

Tanzanian Project

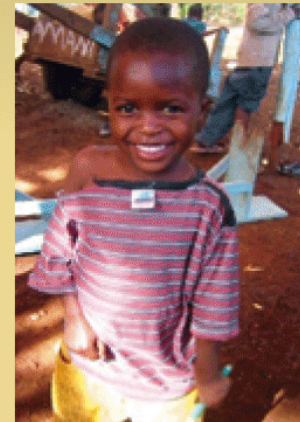
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A Mission for Medical Care and
Teaching at KCMC Hospital
(Kilimanjaro Christian Medical
Centre) Moshi, Tanzania



KCMC hospital is located in Moshi Tanzania in the foothills of Mount Kilimanjaro. KCMC is a referral hospital for over 15 million people in Northern Tanzania with over 450 beds, with hundreds of outpatients coming to the centre everyday. It was originally started by the Lutheran church and now is run by the government.

A Child Care Mission for
Homeless Street Children at
the Child Care Centers in
Moshi and Arusha, Tanzania



In Tanzania, half the population is under 16 years old. Scores of them are homeless because of broken homes, abandonment, and the production of AIDS orphans.

Although KCMC is a fine hospital and one of the best in East Africa, Dr. Hall relates:

“Your nurses would be very welcome- they may be shocked at what we have to manage with! Which reminds me—our orbital/plastic sets are very rudimentary. (I do the lateral orbitotomy with a hack saw and do not have a drill to wire it back at the end—I can only suture the periosteum back.) You may want to bring some instruments with you!”

In addition to providing teaching and service, our group intends to bring state of the art medical equipment and supplies to the hospital to use and to be left there for future use by the KCMC doctors. Planned equipment includes motorized small bone surgical devices, an oscillating surgical saw and micro drill, and an electro surgical console. Other equipment will be complete sets of plastic surgical soft tissue instruments for eyelid surgery and instruments for bone work such as tear duct and orbital surgery. Other supplies will include specialized suture material, tear duct tubing for adults and children and fascia extracting devices to repair droopy eyelids in children.

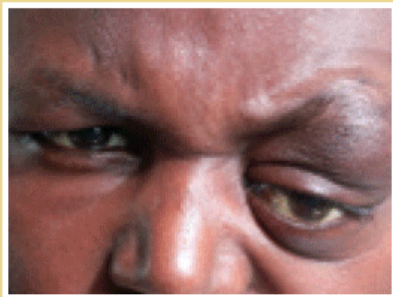


Figure 1

Figure 1 is the example of a recent patient at KCMC with an orbital tumor that Dr Hall was required to treat with only rudimentary instruments.

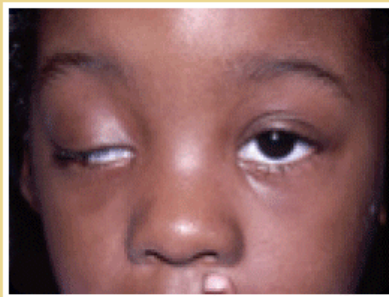


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a child with congenital ptosis, a condition commonly seen there.

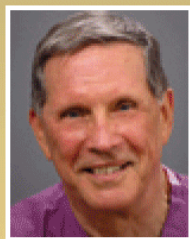


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a woman with neurofibromatosis.

Medical Mission

Dr. Anthony Hall at KCMC hospital has invited a group of doctors and nurses from the US to visit the hospital in November, 2006 to participate in teaching rounds, supervise clinics, provide a series of lectures for a seminar for doctors in East Africa. The doctors also will participate in patient care providing surgical demonstrations for the hospital staff and attendees.



Dr. Clinton McCord is an Oculoplastic surgeon from Atlanta specializing in eyelid, orbit, tear duct reconstruction. He is a member of the Paces Plastic Surgery Group, Atlanta—Dept. of Plastic Surgery of Emory.



Dr. Farzad R. Nahai is a Plastic surgeon from Atlanta who has had craniofacial and oculoplastic training. He is a member of the Paces Plastic Surgery Group, Atlanta—Dept. of Plastic Surgery of Emory.



Dr. Robert Weiss is an Oculoplastic surgeon in Chicago. He is the previous Director of the Ophthalmic Oncology Unit at the Cornell Medical Center in New York.



Dr. Ashley Gordon is a Plastic surgeon who completed her plastic surgery training at Emory University. She also has completed a fellowship in Oculoplastic Surgery at Paces Plastic Surgery in Atlanta. She previously trained in general surgery at St. Vincent's Hospital & Medical Center in New York City.

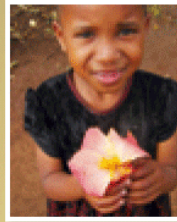


Hollis McCord, R.N. is a surgical nurse from California. She has extensive experience in reconstructive surgery. She presently is operating room supervisor at Marin Specialty surgical center in California.



Mary Popp R.N. is a surgical nurse who has had wide-ranging surgical experience. More recently she has been a surgical nurse at Paces Plastic Surgery and has been involved with reconstructive and plastic surgery.

Mission for Street Children



Mkombozi is a child-focused agency in Kilimanjaro and Arusha regions that tackles the complex issues of street children and vulnerable youth. It reaches over 1,000 children and young people a year.



Marty McCord has a Master's degree in Psychology from the California Institute of Integral Studies in San Francisco. She works with at risk children in the Bay Area and is a psychotherapist in California. She will be traveling with the medical group. She specializes in expressive art therapy and plans to provide supplies and conduct courses for the staff at the center and provide therapy for children on a short term basis.



Kathan Fillingim will work as a volunteer assistant in the child care project.

All members of the medical and child care mission are donating their time, services and travel expenses.

Any donations from you will be used for the following purposes: acquisition and delivery of medical supplies and medical equipment for KCMC hospital to be left there for their use. Some donations will be directed to the projects for the care of street children in Moshi and Arusha, Tanzania. Administrative costs will be included. Checks should be made out to **Children's Cross Connection International - Tanzanian Project**. The Tanzanian project is a subsidiary program of the Children's Cross Connection, International, Inc., a 501c3 public charity. All donations are tax deductible.

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