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Like-Minded Partners Collaborate To Heal Little Hearts in the Philippines

With a population of nearly 102 million and a birth rate of 24 per 1,000, there is a tremendous need for children with heart disease in the Philippines. Based on the prevalence of Congenital Heart Disease (CHD) of 0.8%, approximately 19,584 Filipino children are born each year with CHD. Sadly, less than 10% of this need is currently being met. The April 2016 mission to the Philippine Children’s Medical Center (PCMC) answered the prayers of ten parents of children who have been waiting for their second chance at life.

Our sincere thanks to the expert visiting medical team from Duke University Medical Center, led by Dr. Andrew Lodge, who returned for their third time to work with the Filipino pediatric cardiac team at PCMC. Training was provided to the post-operative team prior to the start of surgeries to help ensure positive patient outcomes. Patient selection, surgeries and post-operative care was completed in a collaborative effort between the local and visiting teams resulting in the saving of 10 children’s lives.

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CHILDREN TREATED

CLAIRY
1.5 years old
Diagnosis: VSD, PDA Ventricular Septal Defect, Patent Ductus Arteriosus
Date of Procedure: April 18, 2016

ALEXANDRA
3 years old
Diagnosis: TAPVC Total Anomalous Pulmonary Venous Connection
Date of Procedure: April 18, 2016

AYESHA
1 year old
Diagnosis: VSD Ventricular Septal Defect
Date of Procedure: April 19, 2016
MEISHA
1 year old
Diagnosis: VSD
Ventricular Septal Defect
Date of Procedure: April 19, 2016

NATHANIEL
5 years old
Diagnosis: TOF
Tetralogy of Fallot
Date of Procedure: April 20, 2016
VALE**RIE**

2 years old

Diagnosis: AVSD
Atrial-Ventricular Septal Defect

Date of Procedure: April 20, 2016

JHARE**D**

1 year old

Diagnosis: VSD
Ventricular Septal Defect

Date of Procedure: April 21, 2016

LY**KA**

13 years old

Diagnosis: RHD
Rheumatic Heart Disease

Date of Procedure: April 21, 2016
JOHN S.
15 years old
Diagnosis: VSD
Ventricular Septal Defect
Date of Procedure: April 22, 2016

JOHN O.
9 years old
Diagnosis: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
Date of Procedure: April 22, 2016
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