DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION REPORT
AUGUST 4TH - 11TH, 2018
HOSPITAL INFANTIL DR. ROBERT REID CABRAL
SANTO DOMINGO, THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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Healing Little Dominican Hearts

The August mission trip was the sixth to the Dominican Republic funded through Rotary Global Grant GG1746010 which has resulted in a total of 137 children treated.

Gift of Life International has partnered with The International Children’s Heart Foundation (ICHF), Hospital Infantil Dr. Robert Reid Cabral (HIRRC), Fundacion Latiendo Por Ti, and the many Rotary Clubs and Districts and Gift of Life programs who have contributed to this Rotary Global Grant which has far exceeded its goal of providing hope to 100 Dominican children with heart disease.

The ICHF visiting team, led by Dr. Rodrigo Soto included a surgical team, an interventional catheterization team and a post-operative care team. Skills transfer between the visiting team and the team at HIRRC continued based on the evaluation following the May mission trip.

A total of 23 children were treated during this one-week mission trip. Eight children had their hearts healed through open-heart surgery, 15 children received interventional catheterization procedures (one of these children also had surgery) and 1 diagnostic cath was completed.

A very special Thank You to Rotarians Lynda Hammond from GOL Connecticut Rotary District 7980 and Jordi Gasso from GOL Santo Domingo for their dedication and tireless efforts to this Rotary project and to ensuring all aspects of the mission ran smoothly. Thank you to all Rotary Global Grant contributors for their partnership in healing these little Dominican hearts.
THANK YOU TO THE ICHF VISITING TEAM

DR. RODRIGO SOTO
Cardiac Surgeon

DR. HERBERT STERN
DR. ENRIQUE CARRION
Cardiologists

DR. JAVIER SANCHEZ
DR. GUNNAR BENTSEN
DR. PAUL CHECCHIA
Intensivists

DR. GURO GRINDHEIM
DR. ARNE GERICKE
Anesthesiologists

JORGE GARCIA
Perfusionists

CHAD PEZZANO
Respiratory Therapist

BETSABE QUEZADA
Scrub Tech

PAMELA MONDACA
CLAIRE SORENSON
KATHERINE BERNOSKE
JOHN ALBERS
JAMES ROTH
LAURA SNYDER
ICU Nurses

ROY MORRIS
Biomed

ANDREW CHECCHIA
CARSON STEELE
Volunteers

ARIK SANCHEZ
Pre-Med Student
Thank you to the Hospital Infantil 
**Dr. Robert Reid Cabral Team**

**Pediatric Cardiac Surgeons:** Dr. Miguel Guerrero, Dr. Damaris Fernandez

**Intensivists:** Dr. Elizabeth Mejia, Dr. Jannina Rivas

**Anesthesiologists:** Dr. Yokasta Arias

**Anesthesia Residents:** Dr. Ilonka Agramonte, Dr. Marianela Lopez

**Perfusionists:** Ana Santana, Karla Feliz

**Cardiologists:** Dr. Ana Castillo, Dr. Maritza Lopez, Dr. Cesarina Juliao, Dr. Cristina Garcia, Dr. Gustavo Lazala, Dr. Wilma Perez, Dr. Rebeca Perez, Dr. Adabeyda Baez, Dr. Angelica Grullon, Dr. Jady Luz Acosta, Dr. Rosa Elena Moreta, Dr. Robert Sober

**OR Nurses:** Yury Rodriguez Garcia, Olga Benjamin

**Head of OR Nursing:** Lucia Ramirez Ferreras

**Head of Nursing:** Patricia Baez

**Cardiology Nurses:** Dominga de Paula, Milagros Lorenzo, Cristina Gaston, Luz Cuevas, Juana Marinez, Katerin Garcia, Dilcia Reyes, Yeisa Perez, Nieves Moreta, Dorca Batista, Nancy Martinez

**Head of ICU:** Leonor Nieves Carvajal

**ICU Nurses:** Santa Mateo, Pilar Arias, Wendy Cabral, Maritza Constanza, Roselina Ferrer, Francisca Puello

**Cath Lab Technician:** Gladys Diaz

**Cath Lab Nurse:** Maria Elena Delgado

**ECG Technicians:** Celania Casado

**Secretary:** Maria Estela Ramirez
THANK YOU FROM NOERMY
16 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM LORAINE
10 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
(Cath)

THANK YOU FROM DIONIS
3 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PAPVD
(Surgery)

Little Hearts That Now Have Hope
THANK YOU FROM DAYMARA
7 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect (Cath)

THANK YOU FROM ANALIS
4 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect (Cath)

THANK YOU FROM CINDY
17 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS:
Coarctation of the Aorta
(Diagnostic Cath)

THANK YOU FROM AARON
2 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: Large Pericardial Effusion
(Surgery)
THANK YOU FROM DAIVSON
2 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PDA
Patent Ductus Arteriosus (Cath)

THANK YOU FROM SHEERLLY
15 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PDA
Patent Ductus Arteriosus (Cath)

THANK YOU FROM RAQUEL
6 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: VSD, SubAortic Membrane, PHT (Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM ALIAH
1 YEAR OLD
DIAGNOSIS: Pulmonary Valve Stenosis (Cath)
THANK YOU FROM OWEN
2 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM WINIBEL
2 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PDA
Patent Ductus Arteriosus
(Cath)

THANK YOU FROM NOLENY
9 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
(Cath)

THANK YOU FROM CAMILA
1 YEAR OLD
DIAGNOSIS: Single Ventricle,
Restrictive PFO
(Cath)
THANK YOU FROM JOSTIN  
4 YEARS OLD  
DIAGNOSIS: Coarctation of the Aorta (Cath)

THANK YOU FROM CHRIS  
9 MONTHS OLD  
DIAGNOSIS: VSD, PFO, PS Valvar (Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM MILAGROS  
5 YEARS OLD  
DIAGNOSIS: PDA Patent Ductus Arteriosus (Cath & Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM ESTERLIN  
4 YEARS OLD  
DIAGNOSIS: ASD, PDA (Cath)
THANK YOU FROM MAIBTH
7 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect (Cath)

THANK YOU FROM BRANDON
13 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PDA
Patent Ductus Arteriosus (Cath)

THANK YOU FROM BETZAILA
3 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: VSD
Double Committed VSD (Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM DARLA
6 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect (Cath)
Providing a brighter and healthier future for Dominican children with heart disease