



M3 CONFERENCE 2025

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Friends,

Thank you for being a part of our 10th annual M3 Conference! We are truly grateful that you took time out of your busy schedule to spend part of your weekend with us.

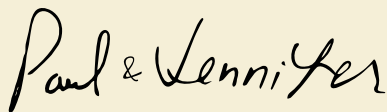
Over the past decade, our goals for the conference have remained consistent. First, we aim to provide a space where individuals with a heart for global missions can connect with one another. Second, we hope to inspire you through speakers who are actively engaged in global missions. Finally, we want to offer tangible opportunities for you to get involved, as you visit the many ministries and organizations that exhibit at M3.

This year, we are honored to have an incredible lineup of speakers whose stories will inspire and challenge us. Dr. Bill Rhodes, a missionary surgeon, primarily serves at Kapsowar Hospital in Kenya. Dr. Jason Fader, also a missionary surgeon, is dedicated to training the next generation of healthcare providers in Burundi. Dr. Harry and Echo VanderWal, founders and executive directors of the Luke Commission, work in rural Eswatini. Rick Allen, CEO of MedSend, will be sharing about the future of missions. Beth Guckenberger, Co-Executive Director of Back2Back Ministries, and Dr. Samuel Thielman, a psychiatrist and Director of Stillwater Global, LLC, bring a wealth of experience and will be addressing trauma care, as well as compassion fatigue, burnout, and resilience, respectively.

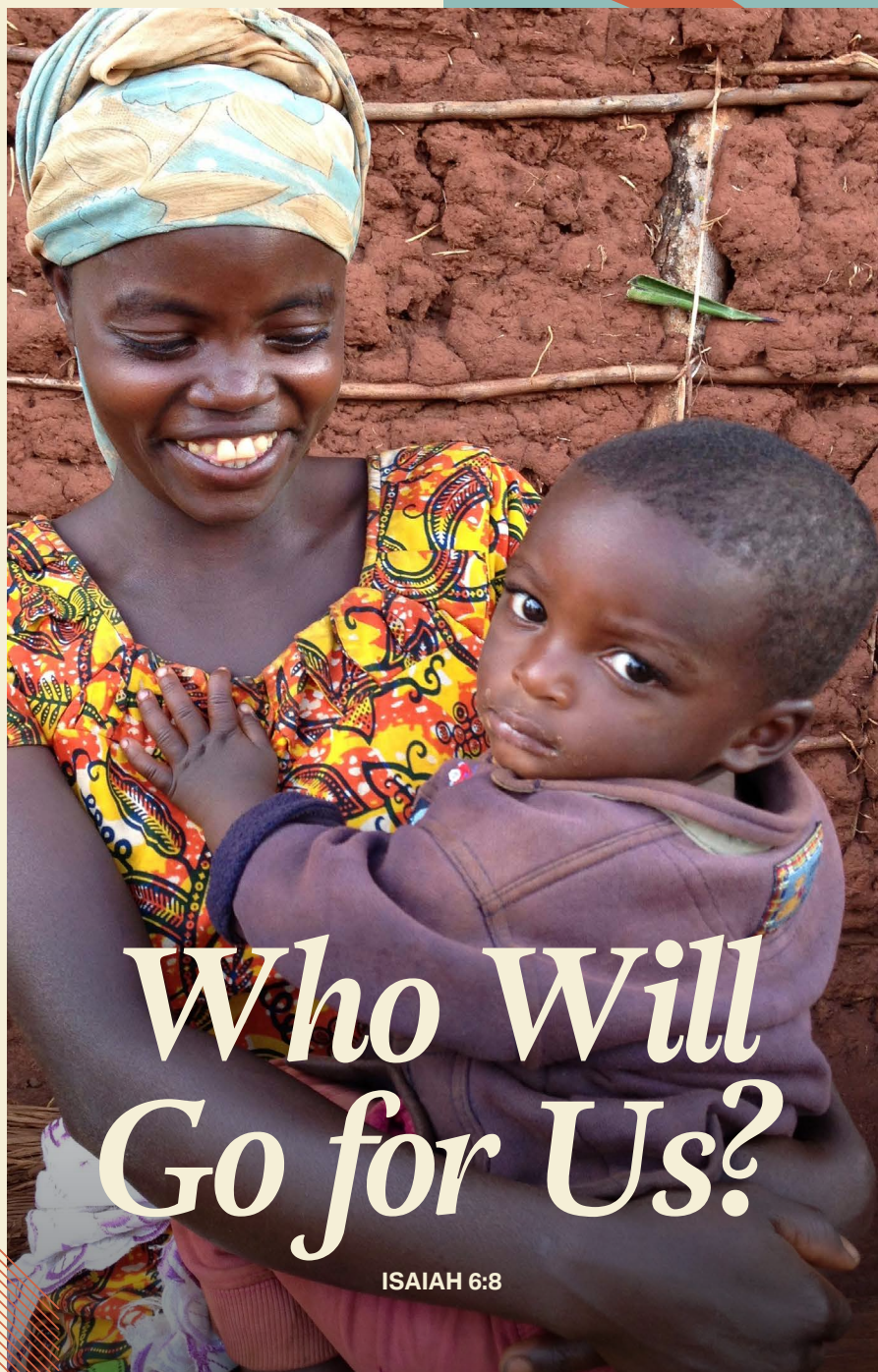
This year's theme is inspired by a passage from the book of Isaiah, where God asks, "Who will go for us?" As we look at the world around us, we believe God is still asking that question today: Who is willing to be His hands and feet, serving those in great need? Who will carry His love, care, and compassion to those suffering in our global community? Perhaps, as we reflect this weekend, God is waiting for each of us to respond: "Here am I. Send me!"

Thank you again for being a part of the M3 Conference. We are so grateful for your presence and excited about the lasting impact this weekend will have on all of us.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul & Jennifer". The script is fluid and cursive, with the ampersand being particularly stylized.

Paul and Jennifer Osteen



Who Will Go for Us?

ISAIAH 6:8

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Discover Your Mission

This year's conference offers a variety of tracks designed to inspire and equip you for impactful service:

1. Medical missions
2. General missions
3. Mental health
4. Human trafficking
5. Other—prep to serve, spiritual, and non-medical



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Conference Schedule

Friday, February 21

- 8:00am Pre-Conference Workshop **THE LOFT, 4TH FLOOR**
CME Guaranteed for Physicians
Non-Physician Learners: Check with your organization for credit approval.
- 4:00pm Pre-Conference Workshop Ends
Dinner on Own
- 6:00pm Registration/ Check-In **2ND FLOOR**
Exhibit Hall **2ND FLOOR**
Lakewood Church Bookstore Open **2ND FLOOR**
- 7:00pm **PLENARY SESSION 1** **MAIN SANCTUARY**
- 9:00pm Dessert & Coffee **2ND FLOOR**
Exhibit Hall **2ND FLOOR**
Poster Presentation Session **NEW BEGINNINGS, 2ND FLOOR**
Prayer Room **BACK OF TRAILBLAZERS AREA, 2ND FLOOR**
- 10:30pm Exhibit Hall Closes

Saturday, February 22

- 7:00am Breakfast **FOOD COURT, 2ND FLOOR**
Exhibit Hall **2ND FLOOR**
Prayer Room **BACK OF TRAILBLAZERS AREA, 2ND FLOOR**
- 8:30am **PLENARY SESSION 2** **MAIN SANCTUARY**
- 9:00am Breakout Session 01 **2ND, 3RD & 4TH FLOOR**
CME Available for Select Sessions
- 10:00am Breakout Session 02 **2ND, 3RD & 4TH FLOOR**
CME Available for Select Sessions
- 11:00am Breakout Session 03 **2ND, 3RD & 4TH FLOOR**
CME Available for Select Sessions
- 12:00pm Lunch **FOOD COURT, 2ND FLOOR**
Exhibit Hall **2ND FLOOR**
Nurses Networking and Q&A **TRAILBLAZERS ROOM, 2ND FLOOR**
Families in Missions and Q&A **MISSION CONTROL, 3RD FLOOR**
Student Networking and Q&A **THE LOFT, 4TH FLOOR**
Prayer Room **BACK OF TRAILBLAZERS AREA, 2ND FLOOR**
Lakewood Church Bookstore Open **2ND FLOOR**
- 2:00pm **PLENARY SESSION 3** **MAIN SANCTUARY**
- 4:00pm Exhibit Hall **2ND FLOOR**
Prayer Room **BACK OF TRAILBLAZERS AREA, 2ND FLOOR**
- 5:00pm Conference Ends

Poster Presentations

NEW BEGINNINGS, 2ND FLOOR

A Sustainable, Reusable, Low-cost, and High Accuracy Screening Method for Malaria Infections from Thin Blood Smear Images

Author: Aaron George

Analysis of EMR Systems on Medical Boats Providing Healthcare to Remote Villages Along the Amazon River

Authors: Thomas Graves; Karren Lewis, MD; Robert Rodriguez, PhD; Roman Rodriguez Ruiz; Ronald Kabeso; Matthew Dacso, MD; Muhammad "Tuan" Amith, PhD

Affiliations: John Sealy School of Medicine; University of Texas Medical Branch; Amazon Hope Medical Program of Peru, Vine Trust Scotland; University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

Cross-Cultural Adaptation and Validation of the Spanish Version of the Early-Onset Scoliosis Self-Report Questionnaire (EOSQ-SELF)

Authors: Joseph Salem-Hernández, BS; Cristian Cortés-Nieves, BS; Hiroko Matsumoto, MD; Pablo Marrero, MD, FAAOS; Norman Ramírez-Lluch, MD, FAAOS-FAAP

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Evaluating Access and Outcomes to Bridge Healthcare Gaps for Immigrants, Refugees, and the Medically Underserved in Houston

Authors: Blake Archer; Tra'Von Manning; Blanca Morales; Raphael Mora; Julissa Mireles; Osvaldo Alquicira; John Butler

Affiliation: University of Houston Tilman J. Fertitta Family College of Medicine

Mortality Predictor After Rheumatic Heart Disease Valve Surgery: Retrospective Cohort Study, A Case Of AGC Tenwek Hospital, Kenya

Authors: Lidetu Kayamo; Arega Leta; Agneta Odera; Keith Dindi; Russell White

Affiliation: AGC Tenwek Hospital, Cardio-thoracic Department, Bomet, Kenya

Promoting Community Health Through a College-Based Health Program

Author: Prof. Dr. Seema Nikalje

Affiliation: Ankushrao Tope College, Jalna, MH, India

M3 Project of the Year

Egbe Hospital and ECWA College of Nursing Sciences



In a 100 mile radius of thick bush where close to 200,000 farmers, herdsman and traders live in small villages and towns, there is the town of Egbe where ECWA Hospital Egbe, founded in 1952 was on the verge of collapse due to the lack of leadership and insufficient resources. In 2012, it was little more than a clinic and patients were often turned away due to limited qualified staff, outdated equipment, poor water supply and little electricity. The community and entire region suffered from a severe lack of healthcare and pleaded for a revitalization of the hospital.

Hearing the call, Egbe Medical Mission was formed to completely restore, rebuild, re-equip and restaff Egbe Hospital and ECWA College of Nursing Sciences. Empowering the surrounding community and stepping out in faith we committed to build infrastructure, provide compassionate, Christ-centered healthcare and training, equip Nigerians, create sustainable systems, best practices, and share the love of Christ in all we do.

Through collaborative efforts with mission minded partners, donors, and volunteers, Egbe Medical Mission has launched comprehensive initiatives, including:

1. Visit local churches in Egbe and ask for fervent prayer for success and villagers that could donate labor (best estimate is 800 a day praying for the revitalization)
2. Rebuild, re-roof buildings and construct many new ones, build a reservoir, and install solar and diesel generators
3. Send shipping containers from the USA with medical and construction equipment
4. Install Starlink and other forms of technology to enable virtual training, mentoring, telemedicine and operational efficiencies.
5. Recruit Nigerians and establish training programs for medical and non-medical professionals
6. Fundraise, seek volunteers and missionaries, financial partners and share the story of what God is doing.

Egbe Medical Mission has transformed Egbe Hospital & College of Nursing Sciences into a Beacon of Hope and Healing:

1. The hospital now serves over 30,000 patients annually, performs 1200 surgeries and delivers 450 babies
2. Six Nigerian Family Medicine residents are in training along with 450 Nursing and Midwifery students
3. 6 ministering chaplains speaking different languages serve the patients, their relatives, the staff, and the students
4. The quality of our work is the platform or our witness especially to government accreditation officers impressed with our standard far above country standards
5. Through benevolent care, thousands of vulnerable patients have received free or subsidized medical services.
6. Lives are being healed, communities strengthened, and a sustainable healthcare model is being established in one of Nigeria's most underserved regions

Learn more: egbemedicalmission.org

Pre-Conference Workshop

Friday, 8:00am–4:00pm THE LOFT, 4th FLOOR

Newborn—Child Health

Newborns and children are especially vulnerable to illness and death, and improvements in health services hold great potential to protect them. This workshop addresses the unique and especially critical issues of newborn-child healthcare, including prenatal care, nutrition, newborn resuscitation, well-newborn care, and common neonatal and childhood diseases.

For a detailed Pre-Conference Workshop schedule, visit
m3missions.com



COMPETENCY OBJECTIVES:

- Explain the impact of poverty on child health.
- List essential principles of prenatal care
- List essential principles of well child care.
- Describe common pediatric surgical emergencies
- Explain the relationship between chronic malnutrition and stunting
- Describe basic newborn resuscitation
- Describe evaluation of common childhood syndromes.

PHYSICIAN CONTINUING EDUCATION:

Institute for International Medicine is accredited by the Missouri State Medical Association to provide continuing medical education (CME) for physicians. The Institute for International Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 7 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Note: All course participants who complete the online course evaluation and credit claims form will receive a certificate of completion that contains the CME statement. This can be submitted to the respective course participants professional organization for continuing education credit.



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Plenary Session Schedule

ALL PLENARY SESSIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE MAIN SANCTUARY.

Session 1

Friday
7:00pm

**Here I Am.
Send Them**
Bill Rhodes, MD

**The Future of
Mission Training
Hospitals**
Rick Allen

**Kingdom Metrics
in Missions**
Jason Fader MD,
FACS, FCS (ECSA)

Session 2

Saturday
8:30pm

**Worship & Project
of the Year**
Don Champion

Session 3

Saturday
2:00pm

**Journey to Joy:
The Surprising
Path to
Resiliency**
Shannon
Hamilton, MS,
PA-C, DIMPH

**Presence
Matters**
Beth
Guckenberger

**Empowering
Health Equity
through Faith,
Compassion, and
Innovation**
Echo Nomsa
VanderWal



M3 Prayer Room

Located on the 2nd Floor, see map for location.

Do you feel God speaking to you? Do you need a place to be still? Pray?
We have prepared a place for you to step away and reflect.

Plenary Session 1

Friday, 7:00pm MAIN SANCTUARY



Here I Am. Send Them

Bill Rhodes, MD

God must come down before we can ascend. Dr. Bill Rhodes will delve into Isaiah 6 and Exodus 3 and 4, examining the stairway from heaven. He will also reflect on the Rhodes family's journey to and in Kapsowar, highlighting that the solution to pollution is dilution, with God's answer to chaos and disparity being more hands and feet.



The Future of Mission Training Hospitals

Rick Allen

The opportunity exists to significantly increase the number of national physicians trained in Christ centered residency programs in Africa and Asia. In order for this to occur we need to consider new models for revitalizing and upgrading the hospitals. We will walk through a bold, new, "360 degree" plan for increasing the capacity of existing and new residency programs in order to assure success, for today, and into the future.



Kingdom Metrics in Missions

Jason Fader MD, FACS, FCS (ECSA)

How should we measure success in the world of missions? Over the past decade, Dr. Jason Fader has been a part of a team of doctors who have seen significant growth in a rural mission hospital in Burundi. Thousands of operations are now being done each year, hundreds are coming to know Christ, and dozens of doctors are being trained. We will explore whether this should actually be considered "successful" in missions, and if not, what is?

Plenary Session 2

Saturday, 8:30am MAIN SANCTUARY



Worship & Project of the Year

Don Champion

Don Champion, CEO of Banyan Air Service and Mission Leader of Egbe Medical Mission, was born to medical missionaries in Nigeria. Growing up in Egbe, he attended a mission boarding school and later pursued aviation studies in Toronto. In 1979, he co-founded Banyan Air Service in Florida, which has grown into a top aviation company with over 200 employees.

After revisiting Egbe 30 years later, Don found the once-thriving hospital his parents founded in ruins. Moved by the need, he and his family launched Egbe Medical Mission to rebuild and revitalize the hospital and nursing school. Over the past 14 years, their efforts have restored the facility, now serving 30,000 patients annually, performing 1,200 surgeries, and training 450 nurses. Don's leadership is guided by faith, integrity, and a commitment to excellence.

Breakout Sessions

Saturday, 9:00AM, 10:00AM and 11:00AM

See Breakout Sessions Schedule on pages 14–15 for details.

Plenary Session 3

Saturday, 2:00pm MAIN SANCTUARY



Journey to Joy: The Surprising Path to Resiliency

Shannon Hamilton, MS, PA-C, DIMPH

Burn out and self care are hot topics in the medical field. But what if the path to resiliency and joy in medicine is a different one than the world would tell us to take? This session explores the Journey to Joy thru responding to suffering in missions and healthcare. Through personal testimonies, including experiences at the Ebola Treatment Center in the DRC and the COVID Field Hospital in Central Park, the speaker highlights the biblical call to enter into the suffering of others. Come explore the mystery of how trials can lead to joy, endurance, and hope as we embody God's heart in our work.



Presence Matters

Beth Guckenberger

Join Beth Guckenberger, a veteran non-profit leader in child welfare and an adoptive and foster parent, as she shares with wisdom and hope practical strategies for working with children and parents who have a trauma history.



Empowering Health Equity through Faith, Compassion, and Innovation

Echo Nomsa VanderWal

Echo VanderWal, co-founder with her husband Dr. Harry VanderWal of The Luke Commission (TLC), shares a deeply personal journey of faith and innovation that has reshaped healthcare delivery in Eswatini, the country with the highest prevalence of HIV globally. Over two decades, TLC has scaled to serve over 300,000 patients annually, leveraging bold, patient-centered solutions like a purpose-built digital ecosystem, Africa's largest PSA oxygen plant, a drone delivery network, and self-contained telehealth hubs. Rooted in a Christ-centered mission to serve "Every Last One" with the same care and compassion as a family member, Echo illustrates how compassion and cutting-edge technology can leapfrog traditional approaches, bringing equitable, high-quality care to underserved communities. This talk challenges you to reimagine what's possible when faith drives innovation and love inspires action, inviting all of us to mobilize for a future where health equity is not just a vision but a global reality.

Breakout Session Schedule

Room 1
Clinical Medical/
Surgery
MISSION CONTROL,
3RD FLOOR

Room 2
Preparation to Serve
TRAILBLAZERS,
2ND FLOOR

Room 3
Mental Health
LOFT, 4TH FLOOR

Session 1

Saturday
9:00am

**Orthopaedic
Considerations
in Disaster
Relief Settings**
Leland
McCluskey, MD



**Preparing Our
Hearts for the
Mission Field
Like a Neighbor**
Emily Smith, PhD,
MSPH

**Becoming Fluent
in Difficult Stories:
An Introduction
to Understanding
Trauma and
its Impact on
Children**
Beth Guckenberger

Session 2

Saturday
10:00am

**Managing Rare
and Atypical
Obstetric
Emergencies**
Allan T. Sawyer,
MD, MS, MATS



**Harnessing
the Strength
of Prayer in
Support Raising**
Herschel
Rothchild

**Burnout,
Compassion
Fatigue,
Resilience**
Sam Thielman,
MD, PhD



Session 3

Saturday
11:00am

**Unfamiliarity
with Common
Surgical
Diseases in
Low-Resource
Settings**
Jason Fader MD,
FACS, FCS (ECSA)



**The Power of
Mission: 3 Ways
Missions Can
Transform Your
Life**
Joël Malm

**Burnout,
Compassion
Fatigue,
Resilience**
Sam Thielman,
MD, PhD



Room 4

Nursing

WAREHOUSE, 4TH FLOOR**Room 5**Non-medical/Spiritual
Development3022-3023, 3RD FLOOR**Room 6**

Misc.

CHAPEL, 3RD FLOOR**Nurses in
Global Health—
Innovative
Practices to
ensure Helping
truly Helps**Diane Petrie, MSN,
APRN, FNP-BC**Propelling
Your Career
as a Christian
Professional**

James Tour, PhD

**Designing,
Building, and
Maintaining
Rural Mission
Hospitals**Jason Fader MD,
FACS, FCS (ECSA)
& Caleb Fader, PE**Mastering
Cholera: Clinical
Management
and Rapid
Containment
Strategies**Shannon Hamilton,
MS, PA-C, DIMPH**The Power
of Jesus in
Missions**Danny Joseph,
MD**Answering
the Call: From
Aviation to
Mission Impact**
Don Campion**Nurses Q&A
Panel**Mary E. Hermiz,
RN, MSN, EdD**The And/Also
of Jesus: Living
and Giving the
Abundant Life**Emily Smith, PhD,
MSPH**Human
Trafficking: An
International
Public Health
Issue**Mollie Gordon,
MA, MD

Don't forget about
the Networking
and Q&A Sessions
available at M3.
See page 38 for
details.



Learn more
about CME
Credits at M3



Breakout Session 1

Saturday, 9:00am



Orthopaedic Considerations in Disaster Relief Settings

Leland McCluskey, MD

MISSION CONTROL, 3RD FLOOR

In this session, we will explore typical diagnostic and treatment considerations in disaster relief contexts, with a specific focus on managing injuries caused by earthquakes. The session will highlight the importance of triage, addressing urgent needs for primary responders, and the essential surgical procedures involved.



Preparing Our Hearts for the Mission Field Like a Neighbor

Emily Smith, PhD, MSPH

TRAILBLAZERS, 2ND FLOOR

Preparing for mission work can be daunting, but faith like the Good Samaritan and Nehemiah can help. This session will explore preparing our hearts for the mission field through the story of the Good Samaritan and focus on the three "C's" of neighboring: Centering, Cost, and Courage. Learn how to center like the Good Samaritan, count the cost, and find courage to live a joyful, hopeful, abundant life of neighboring. The session will also discuss serving like Nehemiah, identifying our own good work, recognizing distractions, and finishing the work God calls us to.



Becoming Fluent in Difficult Stories: An Introduction to Understanding Trauma and its Impact on Children

Beth Guckenberger

LOFT, 4TH FLOOR

How to manage the tension between hope and hard. This workshop will address the reality of working within stories that aren't easy and don't have predictable futures. We'll discuss spiritual disciplines and practical strategies that help us understand what matters most. Combining proven research with faith-based principles, learn practical tips you can pass along on how to serve children from hard places.



Nurses in Global Health—Innovative Practices to ensure Helping truly Helps

Diane Petrie, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC

WAREHOUSE, 4TH FLOOR

In a world of immense and ever-evolving needs, it is crucial to shift our perspectives and approaches towards aid. Together, we will explore creative solutions and fresh perspectives to ensure our efforts make a meaningful impact and truly help those in need. Let's pave the way for a brighter, healthier future through compassionate and innovative nursing practices.



Propelling Your Career as a Christian Professional

James Tour, PhD

3022-3023, 3RD FLOOR

In this session, we will explore how to integrate faith and career, offering practical strategies and insights for Christian professionals looking to excel in their careers while staying true to their beliefs. From navigating ethical dilemmas to leveraging values-based leadership, this session will provide guidance on how to thrive professionally while honoring your Christian principles.



Designing, Building, and Maintaining Rural Mission Hospitals

Jason Fader MD, FACS, FCS (ECSA)

& Caleb Fader, PE

CHAPEL, 3RD FLOOR

Rural mission hospitals are difficult to design, build, and maintain. Water and power often need to be sourced locally. Complex medical equipment breaks easily due to strenuous conditions. Construction equipment like bulldozers and cranes are not available. This creates some unique challenges, as well as opportunities for innovation. Brothers Caleb and Jason Fader (engineer and surgeon, respectively) have spent the last decade helping to design, build, and maintain Kibuye Hope Hospital in rural Burundi. The hospital has grown from 80 to 347 beds during this time, and now performs over 3,500 operations annually (up from 600). They will share some ideas and innovations they have learned along the way, which apply to many different mission hospital settings.

Breakout Session 2

Saturday, 10:00am



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Managing Rare and Atypical Obstetric Emergencies

Allan T. Sawyer, MD, MS, MATS

MISSION CONTROL, 3RD FLOOR

Dr. Sawyer will take scenarios from over two decades of serving in limited resource settings and having delivered over 12,000 babies. He will present how to manage these complications within the limitations of mission hospitals. Students as well as seasoned physicians will all take away something from this presentation.



Harnessing the Strength of Prayer in Support Raising

Herschel Rothchild

TRAILBLAZERS, 2ND FLOOR

The cattle on a thousand hills are the Lord's. It is all God's. We need to rest in Him and trust Him for all things, including the provision of support that you need to raise. Let's look at a Biblical view of trusting God for support and see what your next steps are.



CME

Burnout, Compassion Fatigue, Resilience

Samuel Thielman, MD, PhD

LOFT, 4TH FLOOR

Burnout and compassion fatigue can undercut mission effectiveness for Christians working in healthcare settings overseas. This presentation draws from Dr. Thielman's experiences as a psychiatrist working with Americans in stressful assignments. In particular, it describes red flags for burnout and compassionate fatigue, and more importantly, the resilience factors that promote long term effectiveness, and how we can, by God's grace, lead lives that support resilience and endurance as we work for God's kingdom.



Mastering Cholera: Clinical Management and Rapid Containment Strategies

Shannon Hamilton, MS, PA-C, DIMPH

WAREHOUSE, 4TH FLOOR

Transition your current skills to an infectious disease context and gain mastery in cholera response strategies. Learners will be introduced to the key components of a cholera response including etiology, prevention strategies, diagnosis, clinical case management protocols, and complex challenges in care. Knowledge will then be applied through engaging in case studies and a review of a recent outbreak in Malawi.



The Power of Jesus in Missions

Danny Joseph, MD

3022-3023, 3RD FLOOR

In this session, we will explore the transformative power of the Name of Jesus and how it can bring light to dark areas far beyond what we can offer as individuals or organizations. Dr. Joseph will share some ways that the Name of Jesus has changed lives and communities in India, Africa, and Nepal.



Answering the Call: From Aviation to Mission Impact

Don Campion

CHAPEL, 3RD FLOOR

Don Campion grew up as a missionary kid in Nigeria, yet his journey took him into building a large aviation business. Little did he know, God would call him back to use his professional expertise to revitalize Egbe Hospital and College of Nursing, bringing hope and healing to thousands. In this session, Don shares his unique story of integrating faith, business, and missions, challenging others to embrace their own call to serve. Discover how God equips and uses ordinary people in extraordinary ways to answer, "Who will go for us?"

Breakout Session 3

Saturday, 11:00am



CME

Unfamiliarity with Common Surgical Diseases in Low-Resource Settings

Jason Fader MD, FACS, FCS (ECSA)

MISSION CONTROL, 3RD FLOOR

When working in some contexts, surgeons might have to work outside their typical scope of practice. While not ideal, this is made much easier in the past decade through easy communication with colleagues who are specialists in a given area and an abundance of written and internet-based resources. For those in training it is important to see as wide a breadth of patients as possible to increase your usefulness in the developing world.



The Power of Mission: 3 Ways Missions Can Transform Your Life

Joël Malm

TRAILBLAZERS, 2ND FLOOR

There are a handful of things in life that, once you experience them, change everything. Going on Mission is one of those. In this session, Joel Malm will show you three powerful transformations that can happen in your life when you engage in God's call to reach the world. If you're unsure if you should go, where you should go, or what you could do—don't miss this session!



CME

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Nurses Q&A Panel

Mary E. Hermiz, RN, MSN, EdD

WAREHOUSE, 4TH FLOOR

Join us for an interactive panel discussion with nurses of various levels and experiences. Bring your questions about short-term trip opportunities, funding, balancing family and career, deciphering your call, and more. We want to hear from you!



The And/Also of Jesus: Living and Giving the Abundant Life

Emily Smith, PhD, MSPH

3022-3023, 3RD FLOOR

This session will encourage the audience to think bigger about global health. In Africa, families often face a choice between paying for healthcare for one child or feeding the rest, leading to poverty. As researchers or global health practitioners, we can get trapped in a scarcity model. This talk will focus on the 'And, Also' approach—providing healthcare while protecting families from poverty. I will share stories and data from my work as a global health epidemiologist, highlighting the power of addressing healthcare and poverty together, even at the United Nations.



Human Trafficking: An International Public Health Issue (CME)

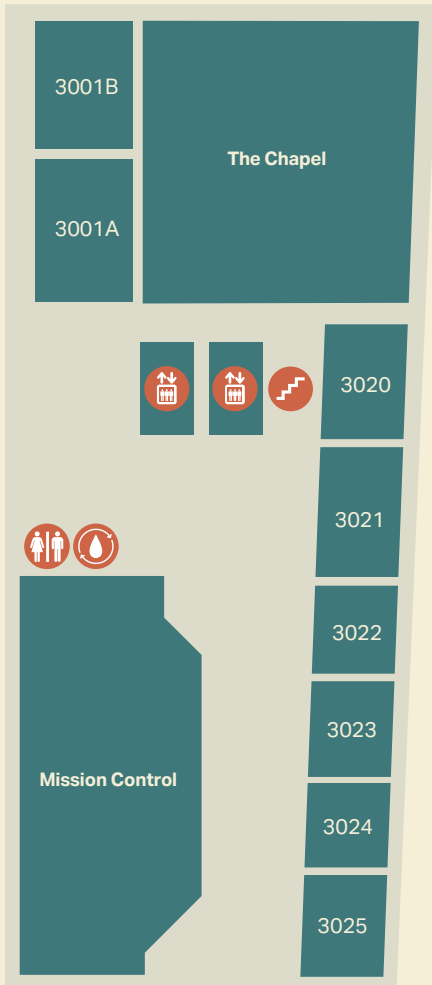
Mollie Gordon, MA, MD


CHAPEL, 3RD FLOOR


Human trafficking is a serious violation of human rights and a public health crisis. This session will explain what trafficking is, look at the reasons people are vulnerable, and explore the medical and mental effects of labor and sexual exploitation. We will discuss how to create a human trafficking program in healthcare systems and the role of healthcare providers. The session will also focus on educating teams, screening, and connecting victims and survivors with the support they need.

Breakout Sessions Map


3rd and 4th floors



 Elevators

 Restrooms

 Stairs

 Water Refill Station

Networking and Q&A Opportunities at M3

Saturday, 12:00pm

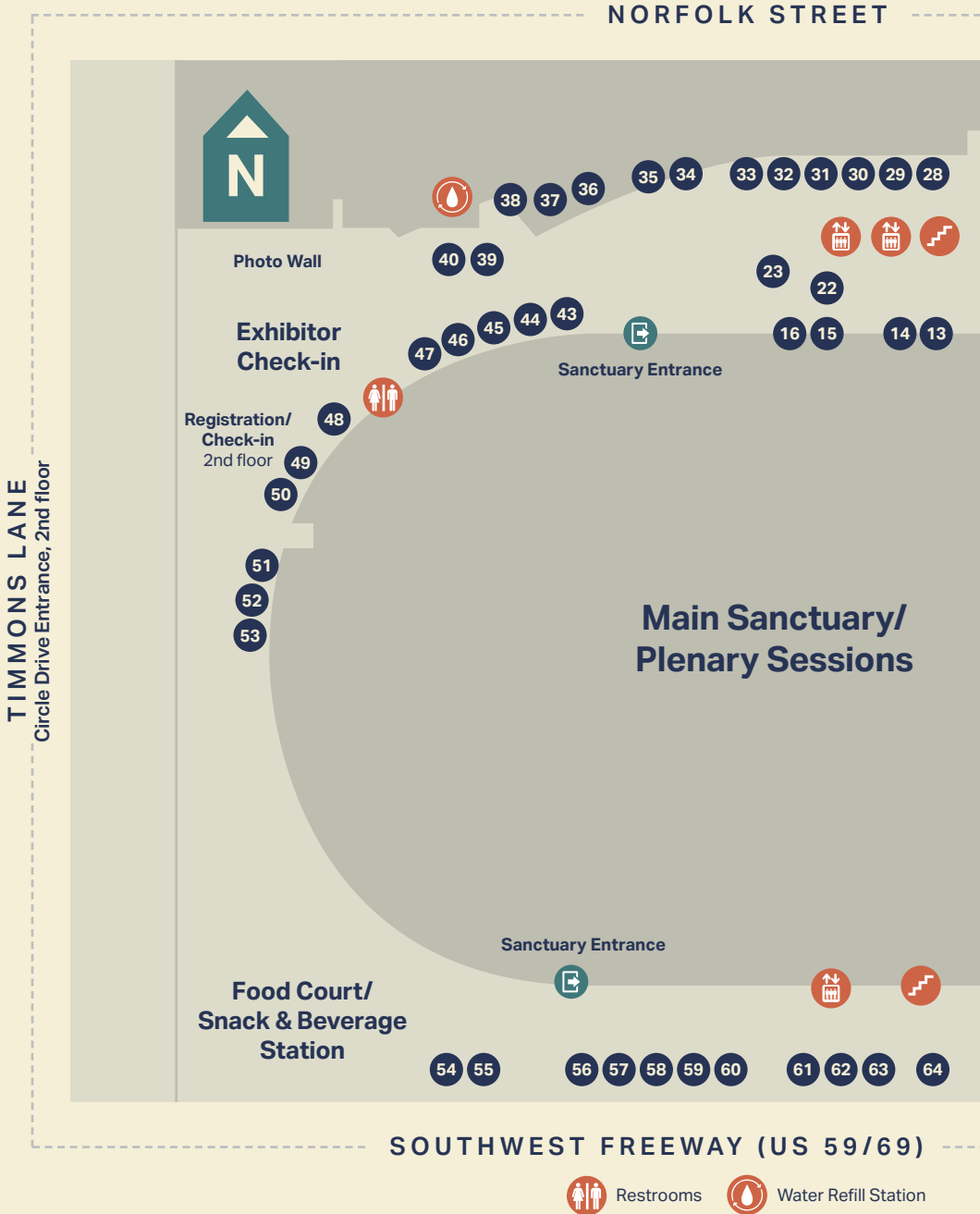
This year, we are excited to host three wonderful networking opportunities designed to connect attendees and provide valuable insights:

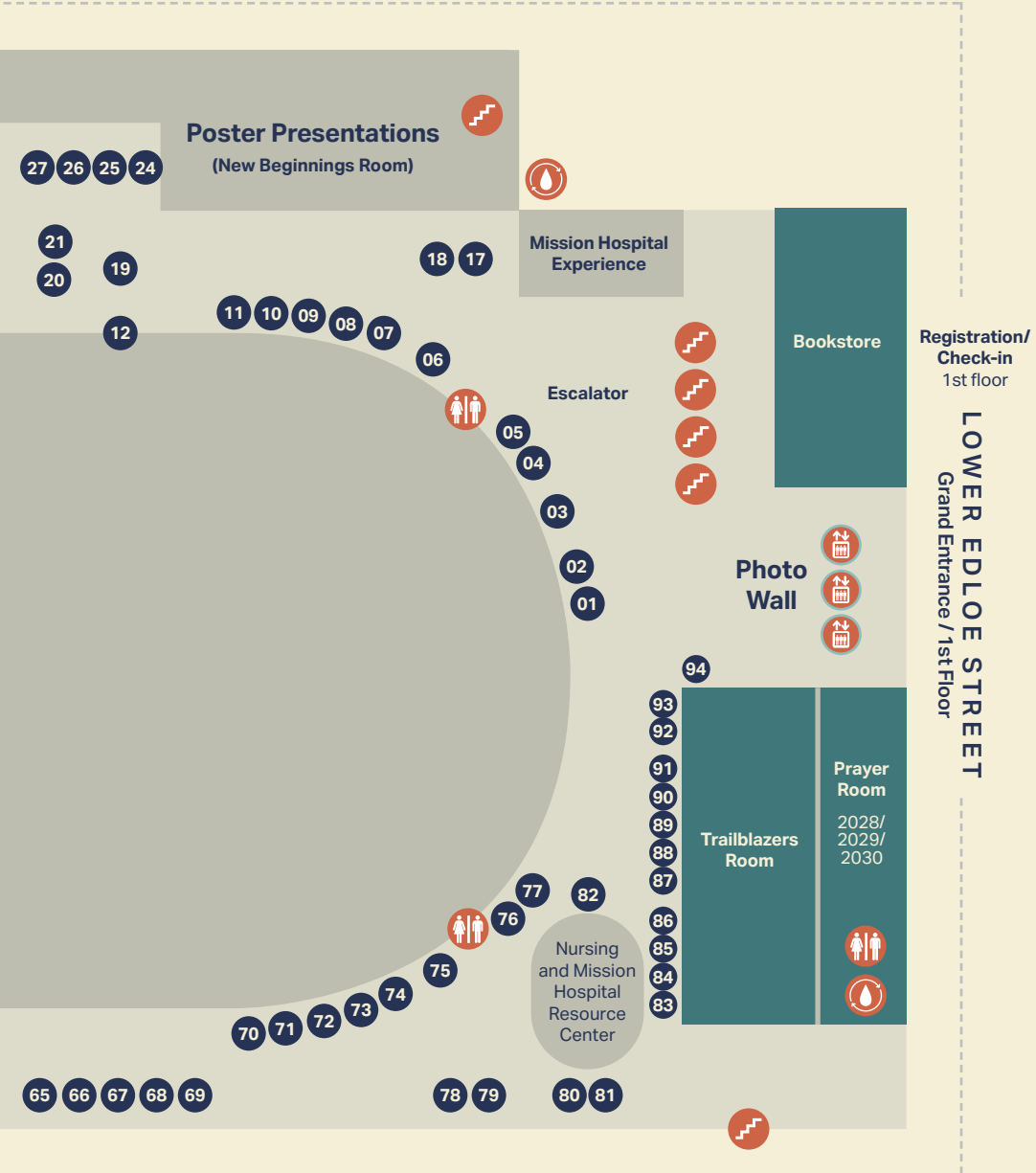
- 1. Student Networking and Q&A** THE LOFT, 4TH FLOOR
Audience: Students of medicine and related fields interested in missions.
Highlight: A special presentation hosted by Samaritan's Purse Post-Residency Program, which places Christian doctors (physicians, dentists, pharmacists, and CRNAs) and their families in overseas mission hospitals immediately following residency or fellowship. During a two-year assignment, doctors work alongside veteran medical missionaries to prepare for a career in missionary medicine.
- 2. Families in Missions and Q&A** MISSION CONTROL, 3RD FLOOR
Audience: Families interested in serving together in missions.
Highlight: A Q&A session with Dr. Bill and Laura Rhodes, who have been married for 50 years and have devoted their lives to medical missions in Kenya, working at Kapsowar Mission Hospital for 26 years. Their efforts, which have grown to include missions in over 10 other low-resource countries, have also inspired their four children to commit themselves to medical missions. They will answer questions and share stories of their mission work, challenges faced, successes, and the lasting impact on their family and communities.
- 3. Nurses Networking and Q&A** TRAILBLAZERS ROOM, 2ND FLOOR
Audience: Nurses of all specialties interested in missions.
Highlight: Hosted by Mary E. Hermiz, RN, MSN, EdD, this session includes a Q&A panel discussion with nurses of diverse experiences. Learn about mission opportunities using the Mission Opportunities for Nurses manual, which can be downloaded via the provided QR code. This resource lists 45 health facilities currently needing nurses, 4 schools of nursing, and 22 sending agencies, along with practical tips for selecting a mission agency. Attendees will also receive a handout featuring 9 agencies offering short-term trips in 2025.

Grab your lunch and join us!

Exhibitors, Plenary and Breakout Sessions

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Exhibitor List

Wondering where to start to connect with the right mission organization for you? We encourage you to visit the Exhibit Hall on the 2nd Floor/ Lobby Level. There you will find over seventy-five organizations working in the areas of medical missions, clean water, orphan and refugee care, disaster relief, human trafficking and more. Each of these organizations is a part of what we are doing together. Start your conversation today and find your mission!

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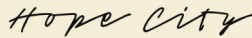
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Nursing and Mission Hospital Resource Center



Nursing Resources

Information on mission opportunities for nurses



Mission Hospital Resources

Information on mission hospitals and clinics all over the world

For more information visit exhibit **booth 82** in the exhibit hall



Mental Health Resources



Caring for your mental health is essential, especially in the mission field where the challenges can be both demanding and unpredictable. This page offers practical tools and faith-based insights to help you prioritize self-care, build resilience, and continue serving effectively. Remember, taking care of yourself allows you to better care for others.

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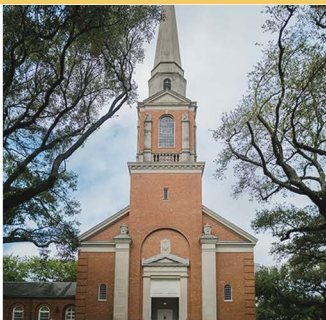
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1. What was your most impactful connection?

Think about the conversations, the people, and the moments that left an impression on you. How can you continue these relationships moving forward?

2. What's on your mind?

What ideas or challenges are you reflecting on? How can you take those thoughts and put them into action in your mission field?

3. What's on your heart?

What cause or calling is God placing on your heart today? Let that passion guide your next steps.

4. What are your next steps?

Take a moment to jot down the next action you'll take, whether it's volunteering, joining a team, or spreading the word about the mission.

5. Who are you bringing to M3 next year?

Think about the individuals who could benefit from this transformative experience. Who do you know that needs to be part of the M3 Conference next year?

Words of Encouragement

from Dr. Paul Osteen

"As you leave this conference, remember that your mission doesn't end here. Take what you've learned, the connections you've made, and the inspiration you've received, and put it into action. The world needs you, and we are cheering you on as you go forth to make a difference."



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