

WHO WE ARE



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Mission Statement:

The Hands of Christ, Inc. exists to share God's love by offering low cost medical care with dignity and gentleness to the poor of Honduras.

What does success look like for THOC?

1. Having the ability to know God and make Him known to others
2. Making available basic medical care for all who come seeking help
3. Supplying a clean, safe Christian environment for labor and delivery

In Honduras the infant mortality rate is 24 deaths per 1000 births while it is 6.1 deaths per 1000 births in the United States. Please help us build the Women's Clinic so we can provide compassionate, clean and safe environments for mothers and their babies.

THE NEED

Delia's Story

Delia had been pregnant until she underwent a C-section. Her baby died and was buried. We took Delia back to Talanga where she lives. Her family is very poor as is most of Talanga. At the funeral, they put a very small casket in a truck along with the wilted and dying flowers for the processional to the cemetery. The father and two young sons ages 10 & 8 carried the small casket the short distance to the grave site. After a short service the father let himself down into the hole and the small casket was handed to him and he gently placed it in its final resting place. After a time of crying and much sadness for the life that never will be, they buried the casket. Next, they took a homemade steel cross that had a small piece of flat steel welded to it and slowly painted the child's name and date of birth and death on it. The tragedy of all this is it did not need to happen. Delia went to the hospital in labor. She has a small pelvis and this calls for an emergency C-section. She had the C-section... 2 days later than needed. The baby was born alive, and then taken away and neither the mother nor the father was allowed to see him alive again. The baby died from having to wait 2 days for the necessary C-section while the mother was in labor.

This is a tragedy repeated many times here in Honduras. The negligence that goes on at hospitals in Honduras is criminal, but nothing is ever done about it. There is no recourse for the poor. This is something we want to prevent in as many patients as we can in our Women's clinic.

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