



BLESSINGS
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**MEDICINES
FOR MISSIONS**



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Why Partner?

This holiday season, you may not be able to get on a plane to travel to remote parts of the world—or even to another state . . .



. . . but when you give to Blessings International, you send free medicines that bring hope and healing to many across the country and globe.
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"We choose to invest part of our monthly giving into Blessings International because we believe in the mission, and have seen first-hand the impact that low cost medications can make on a mission trip.... I would encourage any mission-oriented individual to seriously consider investing in and donating to Blessings International."

- J. Young, Yankton, SD

It has been a long-standing goal at Blessings International for over thirty-five years to deliver relief and healing to as many suffering individuals worldwide as possible by sending vitamins, pharmaceuticals, and medical supplies with those traveling to and working in areas across the US and the world. In ministering to the needs of others through medicines, we hope to not only show human care, but the compassion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Without the volunteer treatment they receive from the teams and clinics we partner with, many children and families worldwide would go unhelped and untreated, sometimes even fatally.

Your heartfelt generosity helps to get the needed medicines and supplies into the hands of those who desperately need it. When you do, you create praise reports like the one we received from Fairview Baptist Church regarding their work in Guatemala.

Only a few months old, little infant Esdra arrived at the volunteer clinic in the arms of his mother. He was dehydrated, suffering from infection, and near death.

His mother had been told only hours before by local doctors to take him home to die in peace. God had other plans.

A nurse at Fairview's clinic gave Esdra's mother medicines for his infection and taught her how to feed him. Supplied with pharmaceuticals, knowledge, and hope, she was equipped to keep him alive another day. At the end of the week, he was recuperating and prospering so well that his shocked family was moved to give their lives to Christ.





"I read a quote once by John Bunyan which stated: 'You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you.' I believe God has put me in a position to give to those I may never meet. What a blessing."
- C. Wofford, Valencia, CA



"Thank you for helping make our trip possible," one of Fairview Baptist Church's team members told us, "and for having a huge part in saving Esdra's life and the eternal life of his family."

When we receive words of thanks like this, they are as much to partners as to us. **Through all of us working together, we are able to provide the medicines that impact lives—on earth and into eternity.**

Esdra with the nurse who treated him. (Photo courtesy Fairview Baptist Church.)



This is the heart of why we do what we do. Medicines not only opened the door to save this little boy's life, but to bring salvation and glory to God. **Medicines and the gift of health spawn miracles.** We thank the teams that distribute the life-saving pharmaceuticals because they are indispensable, and our partners are equally so. We treasure our long-standing relationships with these who believe in the importance of this cause.

"I would say that our relationship with Blessings International is definitely a result of God's divine planning that we have followed. Through the ministry of Blessings International, we have been able to provide medicines for the needy in our home country, including the treatment for malaria, now increasingly affecting the country more than before." -L. Maldonado de Rivas, Houston, TX



Announcing Online Ordering!

Blessings International now offers online ordering!

Because of how beneficial it will be to our customers, online ordering has been a primary goal we've been working toward for over a year.

"Until now, the document order method has been the only way we could ensure we received all the info needed for each order," Blessings' CEO Barry Ewy said. "The new online ordering method retains the same requirements, while simplifying the process, which I think will be very satisfactory for long-time users and new customers alike."

With our new online ordering process, you can:

- Order from our entire inventory
- Easily submit documentation
- Save a cart
- Collaborate with team members

Online ordering is available through myBlessings, our account access platform. All Blessings International customers can register for myBlessings. As we look forward to online ordering becoming the primary order method, we recommend every Blessings International customer to register for myBlessings access.

The next time you order medicines, vitamins, or supplies, consider ordering online at www.blessing.org/order!

Another Way to Give

Did you know that when you do your holiday shopping at Amazon.com, they donate a portion to Blessings International at no additional cost to you?

It's a convenient way to check off everyone on your list while also providing healing to the world. Just go to <http://bit.ly/BlessingsInt> to get started spreading hope and cheer this joyous season.



#1 holiday hack:

When you buy your gifts at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates.

amazonsmile



A Note from Our CEO

If I were to ask ten people, “How do you serve?” I might receive up to ten different answers. But if I asked, “Why do you serve?” the answers would begin to overlap.

At Blessings International, our “why” is to see the world—locally and globally—impacted for Christ through medicine. We believe medicine opens doors for the Gospel in a unique way, and so our mission of healing the hurting, building healthy communities, and transforming lives is captured in each and every bottle of medicine that goes out.

If your “why” is parallel to ours, you can be certain every gift will be used to promote hope and healing. We’ve worked hard as an organization to be able to use the entirety of every donation to supply free medicine. Your gift reflects your heart to help the hurting and make a difference, and we honor that 100%.

When mutual purposes come together in one partnership, it’s a powerful union that extends farther than we ever could alone.

Thank you for considering giving to Blessings International!

Wishing you a blessed Christmas and New Year!

Yours together in His service,

Barry Ewy, CEO
PharmD, JD, MHA

HOW TO GIVE

Your gift of **\$50** can provide a full course of antibiotics, antimalarials, and 3 months of multivitamins for 30 needy children through the Medicines for Nations Fund.



GIVE BY MAIL

Use enclosed donation card and envelope



GIVE ONLINE

Go to bit.ly/MEDS4MISSIONS



GIVE BY MOBILE

Text “MEDS4MISSIONS” to 41444

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Every Gift Makes a Difference!



Guidestar has awarded Blessings their highest rating of Platinum to reflect our level of accountability and transparency. We rank in the top 2% of all rated charities.



Blessings has been accredited by Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability since 1981.



Federal employees can donate through the Combined Federal Campaign #11864. State and local government employees can look for us in their Charity Guide under the Neighbor to Nation federation.



Learn more at www.blessing.org