2017 Annual Report

The Journey Toward
A Healthy Life
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From Pregnancy Through Adulthood, We Deliver Sustainable Change

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She will protect this baby forever. We’re protecting them both with access to lifesaving care.
BEATING THE ODDS IN SOUTH SUDAN

In South Sudan, Mary was excited about the delivery of her first baby. But after three days of excruciating labor without progress, she fell unconscious. Her family was afraid that both mother and baby would die. Our community health worker quickly coordinated emergency transport, and Mary reached our partner healthcare facility within an hour. With little time to spare, Mary was treated with intravenous fluids and prepared for an emergency C-section. A highly skilled CMMB doctor delivered Mary’s first child, a healthy, six-pound girl.

Mary and her baby are among the lucky ones—both survived. One of the most challenging and hard-to-reach areas on earth, South Sudan has one of the world’s highest maternal and child mortality rates. In 2017, our Safe Motherhood program continued to save lives.

In Nzara, the maternity ward at the primary health care center provides basic emergency care. Neonatal services and a functional operating theater are supported by doctors and midwives, who benefit from ongoing professional development. Our active network of community health workers and traditional birth attendants educate women about prenatal care. Expanding awareness and knowledge of CMMB’s Safe Motherhood services is dramatically increasing the likelihood of safe, healthy deliveries in this poor, remote community. In 2017, 13 percent of women giving birth at the health center required C-sections. Without access to this highly skilled intervention at a quality facility, most of these women and children would have died.

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2017 Global Impact Fact

68,447

Pregnant women received essential medical care, including regular pre- and postnatal check-ups

Supporting Healthy Pregnancies Worldwide: 2017 Highlights

Haiti

In Cité Soleil, 400,000 people struggle to survive extreme poverty. This huge slum in Port-au-Prince is one of the poorest and most dangerous areas in the Western Hemisphere. We’re supporting pregnant women through a partnership with the Daughters of Charity at the Centre de Nutrition et de Santé Rosalie Rendu. In 2017, nearly 4,000 pregnant women relied on the sisters for prenatal care, including HIV screening. Every woman knew her HIV status after her first prenatal visit. Together with our partners, we’re working towards an AIDS-free generation worldwide.

Peru

Development has bypassed many remote, rural communities, including the indigenous regions of Huancayo and Trujillo, where CMMB works. Pregnant women commonly suffer from anemia, caused by food insecurity, poverty, and lack of access to health services. In Peru, our partnership with the Bon Secours Health System supports the most vulnerable women. In 2017, we nurtured healthy pregnancies with monthly home visits, nutritional support, and health education workshops. Nearly 100 percent of the women enrolled in our program gave birth at a quality health facility with skilled care, significantly above the average in these marginalized communities and significantly above Peru’s national average.

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New life is fragile. That’s why we’re there from the start.
South Sudan

South Sudan has one of the world’s highest infant mortality rates—every year, 16 percent of newborns will die. Our Safe Motherhood program is making a difference with interventions that educate women and strengthen health facilities. Nearly 100 percent of women enrolled in our program in Nzara County gave birth to healthy newborns at the Nzara Primary Health Care Center. At all partner facilities in South Sudan, we’re supporting newborn health by preventing mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT) through testing, counseling, and antiretroviral therapy, available to every pregnant woman enrolled in CMMB programs.

Peru

Here, 63 percent of child mortality occurs during the first 28 days of life. In remote, marginalized communities, the number of neonatal deaths can be double the national average. In Trujillo, with support from Johnson & Johnson, we launched Bienvenidas a la Vida (Welcome to Life). The program addressed factors unfavorable to an infant’s survival, including low birth weight, premature birth, maternal anemia, asphyxia, and infection caused by delayed access to essential care or substandard quality of care. Bienvenidas a la Vida is a nationwide program supported by the Peruvian government. In 2017, it targeted more than 175,000 of the most vulnerable pregnant women and children across Peru.

SUPPORTING THE FIRST MOMENTS OF LIFE IN ZAMBIA

“It’s a girl!” Supporting a newborn’s first moments of life was a highlight shared by doctors participating in CMMB’s medical mission trip to Mwandi. Our lifesaving, life-changing mission trips strengthen health systems. In remote, rural Mwandi, at-risk newborns are especially fragile. Broken incubators, outdated equipment, and lack of skilled staff critically impact infant survival. International volunteers such as OB/GYN Danielle Beidleman, MD, make a difference. She explained that she was drawn to her specialty by “the many different aspects of women’s healthcare and the opportunity to learn about myself and to connect with patients.”

As a volunteer, Dr. Beidleman participated in training for community health workers and mentored and trained hospital staff. She also gathered information about the needs of Mwandi Mission Hospital and about which health conditions most seriously affected the community. Playing a part in the first moments of life for the newest resident of Mwandi Village was a memorable bonus.

CMMB was founded by a physician in 1912. Dr. Paluel Joseph Flagg, a young resident on the staff of St. Vincent’s Hospital in New York City, had suffered the loss of his wife and newborn child. This personal tragedy led him to dedicate his life to serving others. During her week in Mwandi, Dr. Beidleman encountered moments where “it was a matter of life or death.” That’s why, more than 100 years after Dr. Flagg’s work began, CMMB continues to send highly skilled volunteers to marginalized and hard-to-reach localities, where they work to keep mothers and their newborns alive. In 2017, our volunteer program placed 841 volunteers in 14 countries, including Zambia. Together, these skilled, dedicated people, including Dr. Beidleman, donated 90,515 volunteer service hours, valued at US$55.2 million.

2017 Global Impact Fact

90,515

Hours of service provided by highly skilled volunteers in 14 countries

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Her small hands hold the future. By investing in her health, we’re investing in a better world.
Children received essential healthcare services, including check-ups, vaccinations, and growth monitoring

FREE CARE AND MEDICINE FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE IN HAITI!

Four-year-old Jean Dany was feeling very sick and sad when his mother, Etienne, brought him to see Dr. Registe at the Saint Rose de Gris-Gris Health Center in rural southeast Haiti. He had a cough and red, swollen eyes. Jean Dany and his family live in extreme poverty in their remote community, without access to running water, sanitation, or electricity. Through a partnership with CMMB, the health center offers free care and medicine to the most vulnerable patients, including children under five like Jean Dany. It’s a relief to mothers like Etienne. With limited economic opportunities, most women struggle to provide their children with basics, including food. Healthcare and medicine are often out of reach. Dr. Registe assured Jean Dany that he would soon be feeling better, prescribing antibiotic eye drops and medicine for his cough.

Kenya

In Kitui South County, access to safe water is a major challenge. Drought and distance force families to rely on contaminated water sources. Children commonly suffer from diarrhea, as well as waterborne diseases and infections such as cholera, dysentery, and typhoid. In 2017, CMMB worked with Procter & Gamble to educate families and distribute 2.1 million water purification products. CMMB-trained teachers and school health club leaders at more than 100 schools reached nearly 20,000 schoolchildren with education to improve handwashing and other hygiene practices. By increasing access to safe water, we’re improving the dignity, quality of life, and health of the most vulnerable children.

South Sudan

In February 2017, famine was declared in South Sudan. As part of a response to widespread malnutrition, CMMB partnered with the Ministry of Health to screen and identify at-risk children and to distribute nearly 100 metric tons of food. Working in affected communities, including Ezo, Nzara, Yambio, and Mvolo, 12,000 children between the ages of six months and five years received healthcare and nutrition support. Severe food insecurity disproportionately affects the most vulnerable, including people with HIV, young children, and pregnant and nursing women. We’re working with partners to keep children alive, especially during emergencies.

Forty years ago, in October 1978, Sister Evelyn Tremblay asked Haiti’s Ministry of Public Health to construct a clinic and pharmacy in the rugged hills of Gris-Gris. Sister’s request was granted, but over time, lack of staff, medicine, and equipment left the Saint Rose de Gris-Gris Health Center nonfunctional. Local children and their families no longer had easy access to critical care and medicine. With support from CMMB, a newly renovated Saint Rose de Gris-Gris Health Center opened in January 2017. The project was supported by multiple faith-based partners and the Haiti Child Health Project. The clinic is now open 24/7, offering healthcare, pharmacy, and vaccination services to more than 20,000 area residents, including Jean Dany and his siblings. It is also a beneficiary of CMMB’s pharmaceutical donation program. By supporting child health with increased access to checkups, vaccines, and essential medicines, we’re investing in a better future for all.

2017 Global Impact Fact

234,249

Children received essential healthcare services, including check-ups, vaccinations, and growth monitoring

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She is changing every day. As she enters womanhood, we support her right to health, dignity, and respect.
At the Oasis Secondary School in Kenya, Sarah is more than a teacher. To her students living in poverty, she is also a counselor, mentor, and advocate. Sarah leads the DREAMS program at her school. DREAMS stands for Determined, Resilient, Empowered, AIDS-free, Mentored, and Safe. Sarah told us, “Parents can’t even provide basics. These girls confide in me and treat me like a surrogate mother. I help them with essentials for dignity like underwear and sanitary supplies. These things keep girls in school.” Through mentors like Sarah, DREAMS educates adolescent girls with information about menstruation and other aspects of their changing bodies. Sarah said, “DREAMS makes teens feel valued and cared for. Children living in poverty are vulnerable to sexual and labor exploitation just to meet basic needs. Teachers play a big role in protecting these children, filling in where their parents are unable to.”

Fund in part by the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), an agency of the U.S. Department of State, DREAMS is a partnership to reduce HIV infection among adolescent girls and young women aged 10 to 24 in Kenya and nine other countries in sub-Saharan Africa. In 2017, more than 3,000 at-risk adolescent girls and young women in Kenya were enrolled in DREAMS. The project helps girls from impoverished communities stay in school at key dropout points by making schools more girl-friendly and gender-equitable. DREAMS also facilitates partnerships with the private sector to expand scholarships for project participants. Our work is building girls’ self-esteem to help them stay healthy, safe, and in control of their decisions and futures.

In South Sudan, ongoing violence and conflict forced thousands to flee their homes and farms. In refugee camps in Yambio, Nzara, and Ezo counties, women and adolescent girls were especially vulnerable. Campaigns against gender-based violence (GBV), conducted in key locations, reached nearly 10,000 internally displaced people. Social workers and case managers engaged survivors, connecting women and adolescent girls to available healthcare services. The distribution of 1,500 dignity kits, containing reusable sanitary pads, addressed hygiene needs and contributed to mental and physical well-being. We’re committed to upholding the dignity of adolescent girls and women of all ages.

In Zambia’s DREAMS program, CMMB uses an integrated model to deliver and refer vulnerable adolescent girls and young women to the services they need to lead healthy lives. To engage this group in a meaningful way, safe and supportive spaces have proven a valuable tool. DREAMS educates girls on sexual and gender-based violence and nurtures life skills, including financial literacy. In 2017, 22,050 at-risk adolescent girls and young women were enrolled in DREAMS in Zambia. By working to keep girls in school, we’re making a commitment to education, economic empowerment, and ultimately, to equality.
She is a leader. As she stands by her family and community, we stand with her, through health education and economic opportunities.
In 2017, CMMB Peru launched a pilot for a new livelihood initiative to expand our work with women already benefiting from our health education programs. Roxana is a mother of two young children. Separated from her husband, she moved back home with her parents and struggled to get by. Roxana said, “The community health volunteer from CMMB invited me to join the program. She knows that my biggest challenge is not having an income. My children’s father does not have steady work. This program is helping me and my children, but it is more than that. The other women share my struggles. They have become my friends. They lift me up when I am feeling discouraged. It is difficult to work to be a mother. These skills give me hope that one day I can give my children a better life.”

We know that including women in entrepreneurial activities not only benefits families financially, but also supports women who are often isolated and left out of decision making. To address this well-being and empowerment issue, the project brings marginalized women together to produce hand-crafted, high-quality soft toys and earn money from their hard work and creativity. Unlike many low-skill jobs that women living in extreme poverty are limited to, like collecting water or selling produce, this program gives women the time and freedom to use their imagination.

Women enrolled in the project are taught by professional artisans to craft the toys and guided from design through delivery to online retailers and shops. In 2017, the pilot included 25 percent of Trujillo women enrolled in CMMB’s livelihood projects. Because the toys are made from non-toxic, sustainable materials, the initiative is both socially and ecologically sound. Based on its popularity in the community and its profitability, CMMB Peru plans to scale the project up in 2018.
When disaster strikes, they can count on us. We're ready to help however, whenever, and wherever it's needed.
2017 Emergency and Disaster Response Highlights

When women and children face emergencies, we respond. When their lives are suddenly disrupted—by war, conflict, or natural disasters—we’re dedicated to helping the poor and marginalized who, having so little, have the most to lose. We deliver essential medicines and supplies, provide access to healthcare, and recruit skilled volunteers to support medical missions. With five fully staffed country offices and an extensive network of trusted global partners, we can respond however, whenever, and wherever help is needed.

March
Flood Relief in Peru

“By working with partners, we quickly mobilized a comprehensive, community-based intervention.”
—Ariel Frisancho, MD, CMMB country director, Peru

In March 2017, a catastrophe unfolded in Peru, including Trujillo, where CMMB operates programs. Heavy rains caused massive flooding, covering entire neighborhoods with water and mud. More than 20,000 people were affected. Most families lost all they had, including access to food, safe water, and healthcare. With support from Procter & Gamble, we provided nearly 600,000 water purification tablets to 10,000 affected households. By mobilizing resources from additional partners, including Johnson & Johnson, our Peru teams increased access to healthcare, supporting a community-based system for health monitoring.

April
Civilian Casualties of Civil War in Syria

“As always CMMB, I wanted to personally thank you for making all of this possible. We are so appreciative. The support you are providing is literally saving thousands of children. May God bless you!”
—Phil Koosed, founder and president, Save the Syrian Children

In April 2017, we began working with partners to ship medicine and medical supplies to Syria. By collaborating with a network of clinics and hospitals on the ground, we’ve been able to support eight hospitals in Southwest Syria, bravely treating civilian casualties of the ongoing civil war. In 2017, the total value of CMMB’s emergency donations of medicine and medical supplies for Syria was US$90 million.

June
Famine Relief for Women, Children, and Families in South Sudan

“I am grateful for CMMB support, especially for displaced people camped at parish churches. Their numbers won’t go down, because there is no peace.”
—Edwardo Hiboro, bishop, Tombura-Yambio Diocese, South Sudan

In June 2017, refugee families received long-awaited food aid from CMMB and our partners, including Sudan Relief Fund. Increased insecurity and conflict meant thousands were near starvation, including children. Displaced families living on the grounds of the local Catholic Church in Rimenze received a three-month supply of food including vegetable oil, salt, wheat flour, rice, and beans. Food aid was overseen by the Bishop of Yambio and Tambura, along with our South Sudan staff. Together we supported 6,000 of the most vulnerable in Rimenze, especially women and children.

September
Hurricane Irma Relief in Dominica

“The shipment arrived on the island and will be used at the Princess Margaret Hospital, as well as the Urgent Care Clinic located in Roseau. We thank CMMB for this support.”
—Norma Fontaine-Philbert, president, Garden of Grace Ministries

In early September 2017, the tiny Caribbean island of Dominica was devastated by Hurricane Irma, the most powerful Atlantic hurricane in recorded history. By working with multiple partners, we were able to deliver more than US$1.3 million worth of medicine, supplies, and hygiene kits to a community in crisis. All donations were coordinated out of the Princess Margaret Hospital.
Where We Work

Our reach is global. Our work extends to some of the most remote and underserved corners of the world. We have inspiring, courageous staff and volunteers at our offices in Haiti, Kenya, Peru, South Sudan, Zambia, and the United States. Our pharmaceutical donation partners support healthier lives in 31 additional countries. Together, we change the lives of women and children every day.

**Our Mission:** Inspired by the example of Jesus, CMMB works in partnership globally to deliver locally sustainable, quality health solutions to women, children, and their communities.

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**2017 Year in Review**

- **105,448** Individuals had increased access to safe, clean water
- **54,192** People had access to improved nutrition support, including vitamins, and deworming medicine
- **1,090,196** People received critical health and social services
- **68,447** Pregnant women received essential medical care, including regular pre- and postnatal check-ups
- **$552 million** Worth of donated medicines and medical supplies were distributed in 31 countries
- **234,249** Children received essential healthcare services, including check-ups, vaccinations, and growth monitoring
- **317,246** Women received health and social services, including testing, counseling and treatment for HIV, and support for gender-based violence
- **90,515** Hours of service provided by highly skilled volunteers in 14 countries

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EXPLORE OUR INTERACTIVE MAP
Expanding Partnerships for Healthier Lives

We are blessed by partnerships with compassionate individuals, corporations, and foundations who made our accomplishments in 2017 possible. Together, we’re making healthier lives a reality for the most vulnerable women, children, and communities worldwide. Thank you for your generosity and support.

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Financials

Financial Summary Fiscal Year 2017 (in US dollars)

Donated Goods & Services
$ 574,180,408
Pharmaceuticals and Medical Supplies
568,943,681
Medical Volunteers Program
5,236,727

Contributions & Other Revenue
$ 29,709,067
Government
8,558,637
Individuals
15,186,943
Corporations, Foundations and Organizations
3,980,136
Trust & Estates
1,884,742
Other
98,609

TOTAL SUPPORT (09/30/2017)
$ 603,889,475

Program Services Expenses
$ 576,992,047
Pharmaceuticals and Medical Supplies
553,511,381
Medical Volunteers Program
5,695,516
Support for Health Projects
17,785,150

Supporting Services Expenses
$ 9,925,964
Fundraising
5,144,386
Administration
4,781,778

TOTAL EXPENSES (09/30/2017)
$ 586,918,011

Beginning Net Assets $177,754,559
Ending Net Assets $107,160,268

CMMB Rated
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