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## Reports and Funded Programs:

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Project HOPE's "Save the Newborn" initiative is supporting the governments in Sierra Leone and Malawi to decrease their high neonatal mortality rates. Colleagues in Global Health (CGH) William B. Walsh (WBW) Endowment and special funds have played a key role in establishing the infrastructure and capacity of the Ministries of Health and supporting advanced neonatal nursing education programs at both Malawi and Sierra Leone Universities to improve the care of small and sick newborns.

Program results so far have been substantial. HOPE's Neonatal Nursing Education (NNE) programs in Sierra Leone included a continuum of care model for 23 community mothers groups in Bo District to promote essential newborn care, two Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC) units at a district and referral hospital for small babies, support for clinical training in the Special Care Baby Units (SCBU) for small and sick newborns, and establishment of an advanced BS.c degree in the preparation of neonatal nurses as a new cadre of health workers. Twenty-four students have graduated from the BS.c program so far and have been placed in neonatal services across the country. Curriculum development and faculty preparation included both Universities in Sierra Leone and Malawi as they developed the BS.c in Neonatal Nursing.

At Right: Kristin Anderson, HOPE Neonatal Nurse Consultant teaching newborn assessment to School of Nursing neonatal faculty

Currently, HOPE is committed to the development of a Master's (MS.c) degree in neonatal nursing at the University of Sierra Leone, providing faculty mentorship programs, establishing a Neonatal Learning Lab (con't on page 2)



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(con't from page 1) with newborn simulation equipment, providing teaching, and professional resource materials. The curriculum has University approval and there are 15 students waiting to enter the two-year Neonatal Nursing Master's program in January 2023:

CGH Funds have contributed to the following activities to support the Newborn Initiative.

- **WBW Endowment Fellowship** (two years) for a Neonatal Nurse Educator who assisted in the curriculum development for the two Neonatal BS.c programs in Sierra Leone and Malawi. The BS.c has a neonatal and pediatric track during the last two years.
- **Neonatal Learning Lab** with newborn simulation equipment, and provision of teaching resource materials in Sierra Leone
- **Faculty Mentorship Program** and Seminars to build the capacity of faculty to teach in the new advanced BS.c Neonatal Nursing program in both countries.
- **Clinical training** in SCBUs to enable faculty to teach students in neonatal clinical settings.
- **Neonatal Professional Memberships** for key faculty in international organizations such as COINN (Council of International Neonatal Nursing).



Left: Mohamed James Karoma- Neonatal Nursing Faculty demonstrating immediate care of the newborn

**Current WBW Endowment Support-International Neonatal Expert Teams:** Building on the NNE programs, the CGH WBW Endowment is currently supporting two Neonatal Multidisciplinary Training Teams (Nurse practitioners, Neonatologist, BMEs) who will develop the Special Care Baby Unit at the national referral children's hospital as a training center providing quality, evidenced-based care. The recipients are 40 SCBU staff, 16 neonatal faculty,

and three Preceptors who will focus on development of their skills in assessment, decision-making, leadership and management, and sustaining a high level of quality care for sick and small neonates. BME consultants are training staff in care and management of equipment in the unit. The objective is to prepare the referral hospital SCBU as a **National Neonatal Training Center** for the country with district level staff rotating through the unit.

Right: Alexie Beliaev- the BME, Kristin Anderson, HOPE Neonatal Nurse Consultant; and Rebecca Amara, University School of Nursing Neonatal Faculty, in a teaching session on management of equipment.



## HOPE Activities Report

Submitted by: **John Bronson, Senior Director, Technical Strategy & Innovation.**

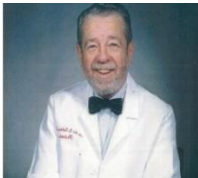
With more than 25 years of senior-level experience in Global Health programs, John Bronson leads Project HOPE's Technical Strategy and Global Health Operations and provides leadership, strategic direction, operational support, and technical guidance throughout the Global Health division.

Location	Date(s) Service Was Provided	Description of Service Provided	Beneficiaries and/or Monetary Value
1. Ukraine, Poland, Romania, Moldova	February 2022 - September 2022	Project HOPE implements a comprehensive humanitarian intervention in Ukraine and nearby countries. Emergency activities support local health facilities with essential medical equipment and supplies. Refugees receive mental health and psychosocial support.	97 health facilities supported, launched 4 mobile medical units to newly liberated areas, provide trauma training to 548 surgeons.
2. Florida, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, Georgia	February 2022 - September 2022	Project HOPE works to increase vaccine access, provide community education and information on vaccines, and strengthen vaccine confidence among five HRSA identified high priority states with high rates of unvaccinated but willing populations.	Reached over 92,000 vaccine hesitant individuals over the past 6 months, with over 7,000 receiving COVID19 vaccines.
3. China, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Indonesia, Philippines, Romania, Ethiopia, Ukraine	January 2022 - September 2022	Providing training to health care workers at all levels to improve their skills and capabilities so they can provide the best quality of care and save lives. Training included addressing COVID-19.	Over 12,000 health professionals and community health workers trained
4. Dominican Republic, Haiti, Indonesia, Moldova, Philippines, Poland, Puerto Rico, Romania, USA (Florida), Ukraine	January 2022 - September 2022	Responding to natural disasters and humanitarian crises (including the COVID-19 pandemic) to provide targeted relief to affected communities to ensure they have access to health services, medicines, and supplies when they are most needed.	Over 613,000 people directly received assistance, and medical treatment to over 269,000 persons affected by crisis.
5. Dominican Republic, Egypt, Haiti, Lebanon, Kosovo, Macedonia, Puerto Rico, Ukraine	January 2022 - September 2022	Providing donated medical supplies, pharmaceuticals, and medicines to help fill gaps and shortages in essential medicines in developing countries.	Over \$46 million in product value donated to countries in need.

# HOPE REMEMBERS

We express our deepest condolences to the family and friends of:

## Archie Golden, M.D. 1921 - 2022



A North Baltimore resident and former chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center, Dr. Golden died on Aug. 16. He was 91. For four years, Dr. Golden worked for the global health and humanitarian aid organization Project HOPE as a professor of pediatrics at the University of Trujillo in Peru. He also worked at Cartagena University Hospital in Colombia for three years. In both South American countries, he trained a variety of community health workers and treated patients.

## Rev. Clyde H. McDaniel, Jr. 1928 - 2020



Rev. Clyde H. McDaniel Jr. went home to the Lord on October 15, 2020. He was born March 19th, 1928, in Ft Worth, Texas. In 1973, he spent a year as Chaplain on the hospital ship, SS HOPE in Maceio, Brazil.

## Robert C. Morrow 2022



Bob served on the SS HOPE Mission 4 to Guinea. His mother and father were physicians on the SS HOPE. He was active in the Project HOPE Alumni Assoc. (CGH).

## David J. Noorthoek, M.D. 1932 - 2022



David J. Noorthoek served on the SS HOPE Mission 6 to Colombia and Mission 7 to Ceylon as MD/Ophthalmologist. Dr. Noorthoek passed away peacefully at his home in Oakmont, California on July 7, 2022. Dave lived a long, adventurous, intellectually interesting and full life. He loved to volunteer for charity medical service which included Project HOPE and Orbis International, where he trained eye physicians to improve their techniques in far flung places including South America, India and Bangladesh.

## Sam H. Thal, M.D. 1925 - 2022



**Dr. Sam Thal** served on the SS HOPE Mission 5 to Nicaragua as MD/Internal Medicine. Dr. Thal came to San Francisco, the city he loved, in 1955 after receiving his MD degree from the University of Washington School of Medicine and doing a residency in internal medicine at the Mayo Clinic. He worked for the Veterans Administration in the East Bay and was on the UCSF Clinical Faculty for 47 years, retiring as Clinical Professor of Medicine.

## Henry Yaeger Jr., M.D. 1933 - 2022



Dr. Henry Yaeger Jr. died peacefully on June 28, 2022, at age 88 in Washington, DC. He served on the SS HOPE Mission 5 to Nicaragua as MD/Internal Medicine.

Henry was a retired physician and professor at Georgetown University where he dedicated a long career to research, teaching, and treating patients with a focus on tuberculosis and sarcoidosis.

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## Report from Ukraine – Fall 2022

Please see the most recent information on the HOPE Website:

<https://www.projecthope.org/region/central-eastern-europe/>

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## President's Message – Debbie Reister

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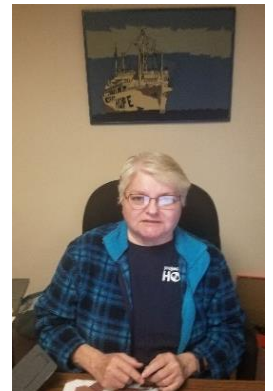
The past year has been eventful and I am glad we are participating with programs in Africa. In 2023, we will continue this activity in Sierra Leone through continued support from the Lee Olive Harrison fund to support 10 nurses in Neonatal Education for Master's Degree at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences (COMAHS) at the University of Sierra Leone.

A great honor for me was attending and speaking at the November Global Leadership Meeting to introduce the Colleagues in Global Health. It was great fun to hear about the programs on a regional level and answering the questions from the attendees. I have had several follow-up questions over the past few weeks.

At the end of this year Carolyn Kruger is retiring from work at Project HOPE. She has been a great asset to Project HOPE over the years. I remember meeting her and her kids in Grenada in the 1980's, seems like yesterday. She has been a great help to CGH as Vice President (which she will continue) and organizing the grants in Africa along with other tasks she supports. CONGRATULATIONS Carolyn!!! Enjoy your retirement!! (often means being even busier!!)

I wish you all a HAPPY NEW YEAR, please stay in touch!!

Debbie



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