

An Update on Our Parish Health Clinic in Honduras- 2025 to 2026

It's hard to believe that through hard work and the grace of God, our parish health clinic in Honduras has been serving families for 11 years in the village of Monte de Los Olivos. In July 2025, due to



increasing gang activity, threats and danger to our patients and staff, a difficult decision was made to move the clinic to a different village. The wonderful people of the village of Las Brisas were excited and motivated to accept our clinic into their village. Since the move, the clinic, staff and patients have been safe. As a result, patient visits have increased dramatically. We have had the

help of U.S. medical and dental missions who visit and work with our staff to assist and help increase our numbers.

In 2025, Christ the King paid \$16,005 in salaries, insurance \$206, supplies \$487 and \$4805 for construction costs for the new location. Little Friends International paid about \$8,000 for medications. A total of 1,985 patients were seen and \$2779 collected in patient fees. A very generous \$6635 was donated by parishioners in 2025.



During the 2 days per week the clinic is open (4 hours per day), the staff are able to treat a variety of health needs, such as diabetes, high blood pressure, respiratory illness, and dermatological concerns, including wound care, and much more.

If someone requires a higher level of care, they are sent to the local hospital and sometimes to a specialist. The clinic is staffed by six Honduran professionals: a doctor (Dr. Kenan), nurse Laura, pharmacy technician Tulio, registrar Ester, lab technician Jozzeth, and coordinator Diana. Our registrar welcomes everyone, gives them an appointment time for that day, keeps a chart for each one and collects a nominal fee equivalent to about \$2 for the visit if they are able to pay, which covers the visit and medications. No one is turned away for inability to pay. The nurse checks vital signs, can do IV's, injections, nebulizer treatments, wound care and more. The doctor is skilled and able to treat people of all ages. Dr. Kenan sends us a monthly report with statistics of the number of patients seen, age groups, diseases/problems treated, villages the patients come from and more. The lab tech draws blood when the physician orders it and helps wherever needed in the clinic. Our pharmacy tech fills all prescriptions as ordered by the doc and instructs the patients on how to take the medications. Our coordinator works offsite, meets with the staff regularly to discuss any concerns, pays staff, orders supplies and communicates regularly with us to give updates and sends a financial report quarterly. Our staff work extremely well together and we are so blessed to have all of them! They are an amazing team!

