



LOOKING BACK ON 2019



International Samaritan's First Annual Gratitude Report

Dear Friends,

In this, International Samaritan's first Gratitude Report, we have many people that we are grateful to...

- The **700 scholars from garbage dump communities across five nations**, who go to school each day with their family's aspirations for future success on their shoulders.
- The **parents and family members of those scholars** who go to work in the dump each day to give their children the best life they can.
- The **333 students and teachers from 17 high schools and universities** across America who traveled with us last year, working in fellowship with our scholarship students and their families in their community.
- The **208 people who donated to our mission last year**, including 119 who have supported our mission before and 89 who invested in us for the first time last year.
- **Our international teams** who lead and guide our work in each nation, each member of them selfless and inspirational.
- The **countless people who volunteer** their time on our mission in each nation: People who work for the government, in business, in health care and education, as well as those who are in ministry and those who work in the dumpsite and still find ways and time to volunteer.

Through this beautiful mosaic of people of diverse gifts, cultures, and experiences around the globe, we can see that all things do indeed "work together for good for those who love the Lord and are called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

This first report is written in gratitude to God for each of you who has been a part of our first 25 years. I pray that you see the beauty that has grown from the seeds you have sown with us.

**Sincerely Yours,
Mike Tenbusch**

President of International Samaritan, pictured right in Ethiopia with our Ethiopian Country Director Selam Terefe





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ETHIOPIA
Launched in 2014

The Communities We Serve

Costa Rica	<i>Service Immersions</i>
Ethiopia	<i>Academic Scholarships, Capital Investments</i>
Guatemala	<i>Academic Scholarships, Capital Investments, Medical Missions, Service Immersions</i>
Honduras	<i>Academic Scholarships, Capital Investments, Medical Care</i>
Jamaica	<i>Academic Scholarships, Medical Missions, Service Immersions</i>
Nicaragua	<i>Academic Scholarships, Capital Investments</i>
Paraguay	<i>Capital Investments</i>



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

International Samaritan increased the number of scholars that we're supporting from 355 at the end of 2018 to 715 at the end of 2019. Additionally, we launched our scholarship program in two new communities: Tegucigalpa, Honduras, and Kingston, Jamaica.



ETHIOPIA

Elementary School Scholars:	77
Secondary School Scholars	19
University/Trade Scholars:	67
Total Scholars in 2019:	163



GUATEMALA

Elementary School Scholars:	0
Secondary School Scholars	126
University/Trade Scholars:	35
Total Scholars in 2019:	161



HONDURAS

Elementary School Scholars:	22
Secondary School Scholars	27
University/Trade Scholars:	0
Total Scholars in 2019:	170



JAMAICA

Elementary School Scholars:	9
Secondary School Scholars	37
University/Trade Scholars:	3
Total Scholars in 2019:	49



NICARAGUA

Elementary School Scholars:	52
Secondary School Scholars	81
University/Trade Scholars:	39
Total Scholars in 2019:	172



A young scholar at Riverton Meadows Early Childhood Centre in Riverton, Jamaica.

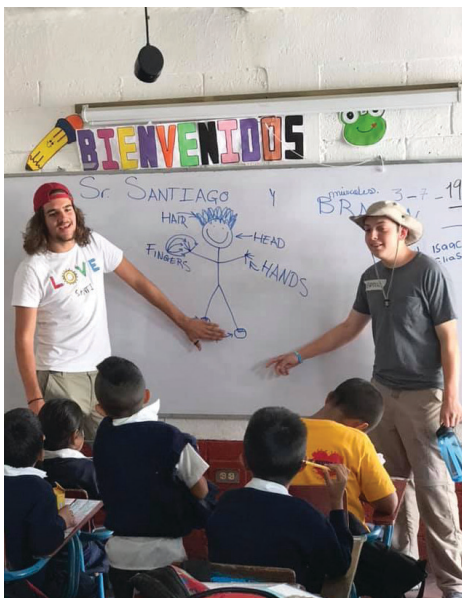
SERVICE IMMERSIONS

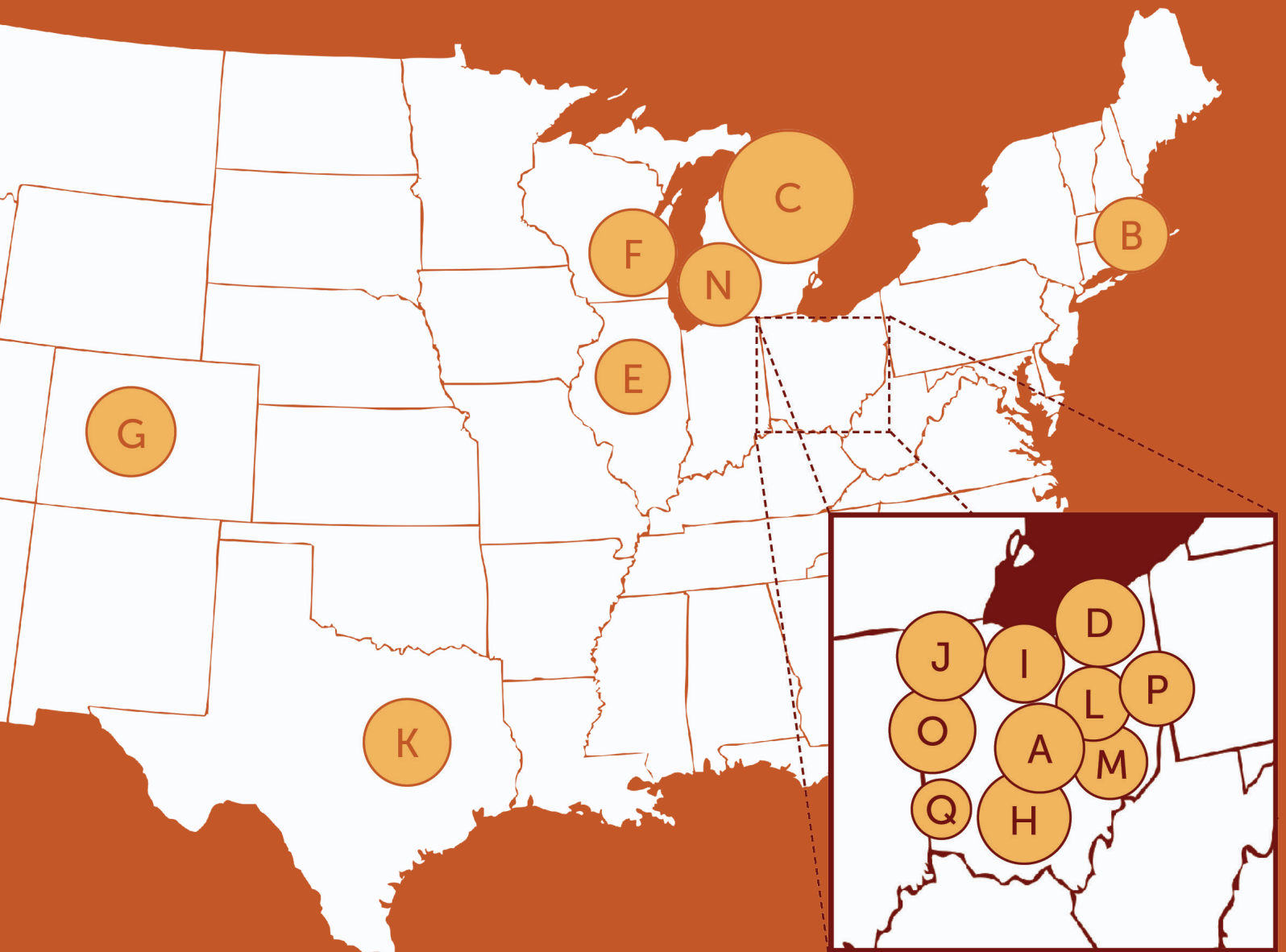
Thank you to the 333 students who traveled with us this year from our 17 partner institutions:

- A. Bishop Watterson, partners since 2016
- B. Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart, partners since 2020
- C. Marian High School, partners since 2012
- D. Mayfield High School, partners since 2019
- E. Montini Catholic High School, partners since 2014
- F. Notre Dame Academy, partners since 2017
- G. Regis Jesuit, partners since 2013
- H. St. Charles Prep, partners since 2011
- I. St. Ignatius High School, partners since 2018
- J. St. John's Jesuit High School, partners since 1994
- K. St. Michael's Catholic Academy, partners since 2017
- L. St. Vincent St. Mary High School, partners since 2019
- M. St. Xavier High School, partners since 2013
- N. University of Michigan, partners since 2016
- O. University of Toledo, partners since 2012
- P. Walsh Jesuit High School, partners since 2012
- Q. Wright State University, partners since 2020

**The lettered circles are sized to correlate with the number of volunteers who traveled with us this year from each institutions.*

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HEALTH & WELLNESS



3,540 PATIENTS

received care through Medical Missions between 2017-2019.

Medical Missions

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Patients</i>
May 2017	Nicaragua	529
Jul. 2017	Guatemala	360
Aug. 2017	Nicaragua	627
Nov. 2017	Guatemala	473
May 2018	Guatemala	633
Aug. 2019	Jamaica	163
Sept. 2019	Guatemala	363
Nov. 2019	Jamaica	392



6,608 PATIENTS

received care at the Flasc Medical Center in Honduras in 2019 alone.



NEW MEDICAL MODEL EMERGES

The Richard Flasc Medical Center in San Pedro Sula, Honduras is the model we hope to establish in each of the communities with whom we partner. The center was built in 2010, and the local health department staffs it with a doctor, a dentist, a nurse and a support staff from the community to best meet the pressing medical needs of people earning a living in El Ocotillo, the garbage dumpsite for San Pedro's 2 million residents. In November, Richard Flasc and his son, Eric, visited the community and were met by mothers holding children whom their doctors had said would not have survived had it not been for the care they received at the center.





*One of our clinicians triaging
a young boy on a 2019
medical mission to Chinautla,
Guatemala.*

CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

Ever since Fr. Vettese, S. J. and students from St. John's Jesuit stopped in 1994 to ask how they could help, our donors, volunteers, and skilled laborers in each country have been building homes, schools, and medical clinics in response to local needs. In 2019, we completed the following capital investments together:



4 new classrooms for existing schools in Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua



A new soccer field and basketball court in Guatemala



10 new homes in Jamaica, Nicaragua and Paraguay



A new early childhood center and a new medical laboratory at a clinic in Ethiopia

To give our scholars a safe and nurturing place to go after school each day, we opened the Ave Maria Center in Guatemala and a new community center in Ethiopia last year. The demand has been so great, and the impact so clear, that we are planning to build larger "family life centers" in each of our partner communities in the years ahead.

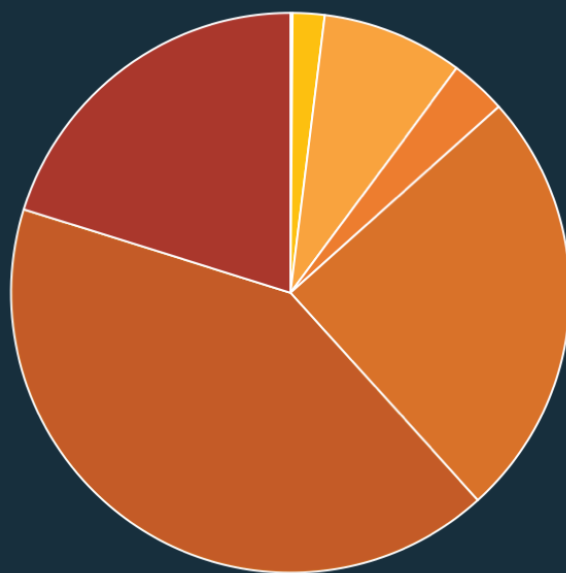
Dan Weingartz, an International Samaritan board member, cuts the ribbon of the new community center in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.



YOUR GIFT AT WORK

Due to the generosity of past donors, **100%** of all donations went directly to programs in the country we serve, funding scholarships, housing, health and wellness initiatives, and capital investment projects.

The chart to the right details how we invested your gifts in 2019.



Costa Rica:	\$2,138	(0.1%)
Paraguay:	\$30,642	(1.8%)
Nicaragua:	\$136,867	(8.2%)
Jamaica:	\$54,501	(3.3%)
Honduras:	\$416,108	(24.9%)
Guatemala:	\$693,928	(41.5%)
Ethiopia:	\$337,523	(20.2%)

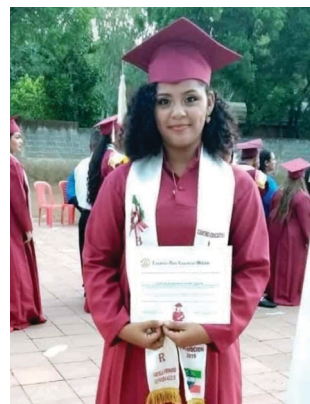
HOW YOU CAN HELP

1 **SPREAD THE WORD.** Follow us on social media - and get your friends and family to do the same! The more people that support us, the more communities we can serve around the world.

2 **SUPPORT A SCHOLAR.** Do a monthly or yearly recurring donation to help a student get through school, providing support from nursery age through university.

3 **FAST2CHANGE.** 700 million people, including our scholars, live on less than \$2 a day. On February 28, join us in fasting on \$2 for the day - and donate what you would usually spend on food towards supporting a scholar.

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One of our yearly Jesuit novices visiting with children in Riverton, Jamaica, while serving on a medical mission.



Gracias por su continuo soporte.

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Thank you for your continued support.

OUR MISSION

International Samaritan works hand in hand with those living in garbage dump communities around the world to help them break out of poverty.

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