

“Come and see what the Lord has done”



From Tears to Smiles: Alessia's Story

At just one year and seven months old, Alessia was playing happily with her sister in their yard, when she suddenly fell into a small ditch. Her mother, Edith, comforted her, thinking it was only a minor fall. But when Alessia cried in pain the next day and could no longer walk normally, her worried mother brought her to Mission of Hope. Alessia had been a patient at our clinic in the past, so Edith knew that we could help.

After an exam and an ultrasound, our doctor determined that Alessia had a muscle tear in her right leg. The team provided medication to ease her pain and a soft splint to help her heal. Her mother followed the advice of our doctor for Alessia's recovery, and, just a week later, she shared the good news – Alessia was walking again and was full of smiles.

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A New Breath of Hope for Pablo

Fifteen-year-old Pablo lives with his family in the Plan 3 Mil neighborhood, one of the poorest in Santa Cruz. His mother, Benigna, supports the family by selling fried chicken at night, earning just enough to cover their most basic needs. Despite their hardships, she has always fought to give her son the best care possible.

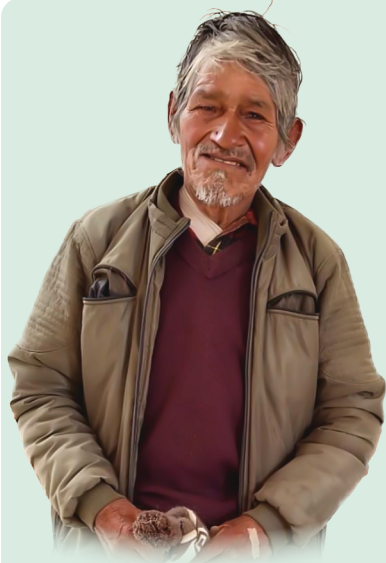
From a young age, Pablo has struggled with a condition called pectus excavatum, a chest wall deformity where the breastbone (sternum) sinks inward, causing serious breathing difficulties. Doctors eventually told his mother that he would need surgery to correct the deformity with a Nuss bar implant. This procedure was far beyond what the family could afford at an estimated cost of 70,000 Bolivianos (about \$10,000 USD). Benigna tried seeking financial assistance from various institutions, but with no success.

In her search for help, Benigna remembered hearing about a Christian clinic that provides free medical care – Mission of Hope. When she brought Pablo for his first visit, our team immediately began helping her find a solution. It was the first time she felt truly supported. After much coordination and fervent prayer, arrangements were made for Pablo's corrective surgery.

On October 24th, 2025, Pablo underwent a three-hour surgery that was successful and complication-free. He is currently at home, recovering well under his mother's care, and will return for follow-up in six months. Pablo will now be able to breathe normally and live a full life.

Benigna expressed her gratitude, saying, “I will always remember and hold dear my experience with Mission of Hope.”





Dario's Journey from Pain to Healing

At 69 years old, Dario still works the fields alongside his wife, Esperanza, in their rural community two hours outside of Sucre. They grow potatoes and corn to sustain their family. One afternoon in August, while hanging corn husks high in a tree to dry (a traditional practice), Dario slipped and fell from his ladder, landing hard on his left side. The pain grew so severe that by the next day he could no longer get out of bed.

Dario's daughter, Sonia, who lives near our Sucre clinic, brought him to the clinic, where our doctor examined him and ordered X-rays. The results showed two fractured ribs. Thanks to the support of Mission of Hope donors, Dario received treatment, medication, and follow-up care at no cost.

Within days, his condition had improved, and, at his follow-up visit, he could walk without pain. Several weeks later, our Social Work team contacted Sonia, who joyfully reported that her father was back in the fields and was free from pain. She shared, "Whenever anyone in our family is sick, we go to Mission of Hope, because we trust the care they give – they help everyone with love."

A Christmas Greeting from Our Bolivian Staff

From the Santa Cruz clinic staff (upper photo) and the Sucre clinic staff (lower photo):

"This Christmas, we celebrate your love and generosity. Every donation becomes a story of hope. With your support, the Lord makes the impossible possible."

(The Santa Cruz clinic is in need of a staff gynecologist. Please, pray that the Lord will bring the right person to their team.)



Prayer Requests



- Pray that we will have no difficulty putting together complete surgical teams for upcoming trips
- Pray that we will receive enough in donations to take full advantage of the Matching Gift Challenge
- Pray that we will be able to acquire an anesthesia machine and transport it to Santa Cruz
- Pray that Bolivia's newly elected government officials will allow us to more easily transport medical equipment and supplies



Matching Gift Challenge

Would you like to make your gift go further? Our year-end **\$150,000** Matching Gift Challenge continues until December 31st. Every dollar that we receive until then, up to \$150,000, will be doubled by an anonymous donor and will be used to fund our clinics in 2026. We are a 501c3 tax-exempt organization.

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