

MISSION OF HOPE, BOLIVIA NEWSLETTER

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Mission of Hope, Bolivia is already making a difference! During this interim time of raising funds to buy and open a mission hospital, our director, Cindy Thacker, re-visited the government-run Children's Hospital in Santa Cruz. On entering the 16-bed surgery ward, Cindy was told they had **no pain medication** and **no antibiotics** for any of the children, including those recovering from **surgery** and those with **broken bones**. This is the **everyday reality for the poor** in Santa Cruz, and this is why **a mission hospital is needed**. Cindy went to the pharmacy and **bought medicines and supplies for every child** in the room. Pictured here are some of the children:



Daniel, 4 years old, was bitten on the foot by a poisonous snake. Mission of Hope, Bolivia bought anti-venom vaccine for Daniel.



Javier, 9 years old, had a broken leg. Mission of Hope, Bolivia bought pain medication and supplies to make a plaster cast for Javier.



Jasmany, 10 years old, had an infection in his leg that had abscessed to the bone. Mission of Hope, Bolivia provided antibiotics, vitamins, and pain medication.



Cesar, 4 years old, needed surgery. Mission of Hope, Bolivia provided IV's a unit of blood, pain medication, and antibiotics.

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Mission of Hope, Bolivia!



HOSPITAL UPDATE

The hospital in Santa Cruz that we want to buy is **still for sale**. The owner, Dr. Franz Ortiz, is **continuing to hold it for us**. Dr. Ortiz has **lowered the selling price** of the hospital from \$950,000 to **\$900,000**, which includes all of the furnishings, medical equipment, and supplies. This is an **excellent price**. A nearby piece of land about the same size was recently appraised at \$800,000, and that price did not include any type of building. Our Board of Directors has established a “**no-debt**” policy. We will wait until we have the full amount in hand to buy this hospital.



Hospital for Sale

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Main Operating Room



Nurses Station



Patient Room