



# EXPLORING MEDICAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE

Hosted by the Institute for International Medicine, Research Medical Center  
& the UMKC School of Medicine E. Gray Dimond International Medicine Program

**May 12-13, 2006**

Curry Auditorium

Baptist Lutheran Medical Center

6601 Rockhill Road Kansas City MO 64131

## OBJECTIVES ::

- Provide the special knowledge and skills for physicians to successfully practice in the developing world
- Increase understanding of the greatest threats to world health
- Provide diagnostic and therapeutic insights into the common and unique "tropical" diseases of developing countries
- Promote understanding of cross-cultural adaptation and communication
- Increase awareness of those health promotion strategies most effective for developing nations
- Provide practical information on how to incorporate medical missions into professional practice

## SYNOPSIS ::

2005 was the year of world disasters. The tsunami in the Indian Ocean, devastating earthquake in Pakistan, and hurricanes in the Gulf are compelling physicians to consider international service like never before. The Exploring Medical Missions Conference will provide physicians and other health professionals the needed knowledge to be successful in international medicine, and will address international health issues, tropical diseases, cross-cultural skills, and health promotion strategies. It will also give physicians an opportunity to network with individuals and organizations that are already active in the field.

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS ::

**Gary Morsch, MD, MPH**, is President of Heart to Heart International, a relief and development organization.

**Tim Myrick, MD**, is medical director of the Annoor Sanatorium, in Jordan, Middle East.

**Larry Liddle, MD**, is medical director of the Oasis Hospital in the United Arab Emirates.

**Nicholas Comminellis, MD, MPH**, is president of the Institute for International Medicine, & served four years in China and Angola.

**Dan Hickey, M.Div.**, is founder/director of Transformational Journeys, an international service learning organization.

**Daniel Hinthorn, MD**, is the Chief of Infectious Diseases at KU Medical Center.

**Michael Driks, MD**, is an infectious disease consultant at Kansas City HCA and Saint Lukes Hospitals.

**Stan Shaffer, MD**, is the founder/medical director of the Maison de Naissance birthing center in Haiti.



Stan Shaffer



Gary Morsch

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## CME CREDIT ::

This Conference will quality participants for up to 14 hours of CME credit through Research Medical Center, and is recognized by the American Medical Association and the American Academy of Family Physicians.

## COST & REGISTRATION ::

Participants will receive admission to the conference, lunches, handouts of the presentations, and a certificate of attendance. To register, please go on-line to [www.inmed.us](http://www.inmed.us), and click "INMED Conference."

Practicing physicians	\$195
Resident physicians	\$175
Medical students and non-physicians	\$95

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## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY	8:00 – 9:00	Sign In	
	9:00 – 9:45	Priorities in World Health Today	Comminellis
	10:00 – 10:45	Mal-Disposed Mycobacterium: TB & Leprosy	Myrick
	11:00 – 11:45	Preying Protozoa: Malaria	Hinthorn
	11:45 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)	
	1:00 – 1:45	Foreign Fevers: Measles, Polio, Dengue	Driks
	2:00 – 2:45	Maternal/Child Care in the Emerging Nations	Shaffer
	3:00 – 3:45	Adjusting For International Medicine Practice	Myrick
	4:00 – 4:45	Open Forum: International Medical Practice	Panel
SATURDAY	9:00 – 9:45	Health & Cross-Cultural Communication	Liddle
	10:00 – 10:45	Culture Shock, Adaptation and Reentry	Hickey
	11:00 – 11:45	Med Missions Around the World	INMED Diploma Grads
	11:45 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)	
	1:00 – 1:45	Health Strategies in International Medicine	Comminellis
	2:00 – 2:45	Integrating Missions Into Medical Practice	Morsch
	3:00 – 3:45	International Medical Opportunities	Comminellis
	4:00 – 4:45	Open Forum: International Medical Opportunities	Panel