

EMAS *sary*

Evangelical Medical Aid Society

February 2008

Refreshing our Mission 2008

*Our mission is to
heal, teach and serve
those in need, in a
Christ-like manner.*

This issue of *EMASsary* marks the beginning of a new season for EMAS. We have just concluded a weekend retreat as a Board to cast a fresh vision for EMAS. These pages highlight the fruit of our time together.

We begin with a fresh **Mission Statement**—clean, memorable, and we trust inspiring. It is broad and encompassing on the one hand, yet specific in attitude and conduct on the other.

Next is our **Vision Statement**, painting a picture of what EMAS will look like, if we are successful in our mission. We see EMAS as playing a significant role, in a hurting and broken world. We

Message from... EMAS Chair

believe that we can make a difference, with God's enabling Holy Spirit.

Our new **Guiding Principles** are the standards that will guide the day-to-day choices of staff, team leaders, and Board members. They are rank ordered and will help keep the EMAS family accountable first and foremost to Christ, then to each other.

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those in need.”**

And lastly, we have adopted one of the historic **Statements of Faith** of the Christian Church—the *Apostles' Creed*. Rich in history, and widely accepted across denominations, it beautifully reflects our trans-denominational history and character, without compromising the essentials.

Even as we look forward to the future this year, we are taking time to celebrate the past. We want to invite you to celebrate our **60th Anniversary** with us, as we premiere an exciting new video and hear stories from some of *EMAS' greats*. We will also hear an inspiring and challenging message by Dr. Arul Ankatell who is Asia Director of Healthcare Christian Fellowship International, a ministry similar to ours.

Finally, the dedicated service of the past and a fruitful future, would not be possible without the faithful prayers, love and financial generosity of the entire *EMAS family*. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Hendrik Visser, M.D.
EMAS Chair

EMAS is on the Move...

In order to make the best possible use of funds, *the EMAS National Office* has now moved to a smaller office space, at a new location. We are now renting office space from *Emmanuel International* in Stouffville.

Please note our New Contact Information

Also note that we have closed our old post office box. Please discard any previously circulated postage-paid return envelopes, as they are no longer valid.



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Reaping God's Blessing!

Here's an opportunity for you to reap of God's bountiful blessings by sowing into the Kingdom. Please prayerfully consider supporting the work of EMAS and its vision:

Healing Today... Teaching for Tomorrow, and for Eternity

For your convenience, we have enclosed a response card, which you can fill and mail to our office, or donate on-line at:

www.emascanada.org/onlinedonations

*We thank you in advance
for your faithfulness.*

2008 Team Mission Trips

Feb. 18–Mar. 1: Cambodia

Eye Team, mostly from Hong Kong, using EMAS HK infrastructure.
Contact: Vinci Yan,
vinci_yan@hotmail.com

Mar. 14–29: China East

Suzhou/Xiamen teaching team in pediatrics, mental health and dental care in urban referral hospitals. Need pediatrician, neonatologist, nurses and orthodontist.
Contact: Justina Chan,
ernestjustina@yahoo.com

Mar. 20–28: Congo

Teaching at Christian Medical College and involvement with Kinshasa Medical conference.
Contact: Murray Nickel,
murray_nickel@yahoo.ca

Mar. 29–April 6: Malawi

Needs assessment team visiting orphanages in Malawi
Contact: Bob Henderson,
drbob@nonieandpapa.ca

May 10–25: Hunan, China South

First week—Hunan.
Second week—Factory Free Walk.
Contact: Dr. Sheryl Chiang,
sherylchiang@shaw.ca

May 11–Jun. 1: China South

Surgical team followed by rehab.
Contact: Dr. Lawrence Lau,
drlawrencelau@yahoo.ca

May 23–Jun. 3: Ningxia, China South

Medical education to colleagues, visits to EMAS healthcare centres.

Contact: Dr. Ian Ma,
themas@telus.net

May 29–Jun. 6: Congo

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Contact: Murray Nickel,
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Jun. 1–9: Gansu, China South

Contact: Dr. Ian Ma,
themas@telus.net

Jul. 26–Aug. 10: Vietnam

Contact: Dr. David Neima,
dneima@hotmail.com

Sep. 27–Oct. 4: Congo

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Oct. 17–25: Dalian, China East

Contact: Justina Chan,
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**EMAS
Guiding Principles**

- *Christ-likeness*
- *Integrity*
- *Excellence*
- *Cultural awareness*

60th Anniversary Gala Event

In celebration of **60 years** of service, we at EMAS invite you to join us for a **Gala Dinner Event**, on October 4, 2008, where we can explore some of EMAS' history together. The theme of this event is **"Medicine and the Cross"** and our speaker will be Dr. Arul Anketell of Healthcare Christian Fellowship

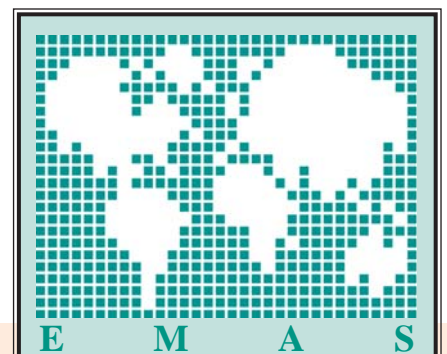


Sri Lanka. We have enclosed an invitation, with this mailing. Purchase your tickets early as seating is limited.

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May God bless you richly for your faithfulness!



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