

2023 Nov/Dec Eye Surgical Week

November 24- December 2, 2023

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This team of 17 was very excited about the prospect of a week of eye surgeries and the many patients who would walk through the door.



Upon arrival, we were met by a dozen or so patients who were there to check in for their eye surgical procedures. Monday, getting up early, grabbing that first cup of hot coffee, then checking on patients. There were more older patients this week than usual; this made for difficult and sometimes time-consuming operations. What made a huge difference were the new scopes that were purchased and delivered since our last eye trip. These new machines were fantastic and worked well for the surgeons. There were several occasions where they made comments about

how good they were and how easily they worked.

Thursday was a lighter load, and several took advantage and visited the chocolate farm. The remainder of the team was gifted some ice cream bars by Sheri, which made staying back to cover all the patients a little easier.





Thursday evening, we celebrated our last day by enjoying some Choco-bananas and passing the mic to tell a quick story about our favorite moments during the week. Everyone had stories to tell. Friday began early, bringing luggage out, eating a quick breakfast, and then meeting outside for a group picture before loading the bus for Antigua. After arriving, we unloaded, checked in, and then all were off for the day of eating, shopping, and relaxing before a nice dinner together at Hotel Porta.

Overall, the trip was an enormous success. Eighty-seven patients received sight during the week, and all were treated with the love of Christ, many for the very first time. It was a wonderful group of people to work with and all were very excited and already discussing their return in 2024.

Bode Teague

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