

**Science with a Mission, Inc.**  
**"Providing Diagnostics for the Developing World"**  
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**Bahamas, Colombia, Haiti**

The effects of Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas in 2019 were among the worst experienced for any natural disaster in the country. The hurricane struck the Abaco Islands as a **Category 5 hurricane** on September 1<sup>st</sup>, and a day later hit Grand Bahama Island at the same category. The hurricane then stalled over Grand Bahama for another day, before finally pulling away from the island on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Damage amounted to US\$3.4 billion, with at **least 74 deaths and another 282 people missing** after the hurricane.

Just **7 days later**, on September 11<sup>th</sup>, Science with a Mission **shipped diagnostics** to the medical arm of Foursquare Disaster Relief (FDR). They had recently learned about us and placed an order for diagnostics for use in the Bahamas. Your donations allowed us to cover the cost of the tests and shipping and send them on their way with our prayers. But you know what they say about the best laid plans...

"Hey Alynne! We weren't able to get to Bahamas for logistical reasons, but we will be going to Colombia to help with the Venezuelan refugees in May!

Thank you so much for your very generous donations!

Sincerely,  
Theresa"

As you might imagine, FDR was not able to travel much during 2020, but they did make a trip to Haiti to run a medical clinic.

"Hi Alynne,  
We returned from our successful mobile medical outreach to Haiti. Attached are some photos as promised.

Thank you so much again for helping care for the local Port au Prince people!

Sincerely,  
Theresa"



**Children gather around**



**Many people came and waited in lines to be seen by medical volunteers**



**Information was gathered from each patient with the assistance of a translator**

## **Nigeria**

The mission described below trip took place in the fall of 2019...but I never got these photos into a newsletter. So here you go:

“Hi Alynne,  
We are back from Nigeria and **I had to write and thank you [for] the tests!!** They were used and **very effective in our ministry** to the poor. The poor as you know cannot get the help (testing) they need to find out why they are hurting but with your help we were able to identify HIV and Malaria very quickly!! Great tool!! Both of those great problems in Nigeria. Here are a few pictures from our trip.  
In His Grip,  
Randy”



**Hey kids, how many things can you see in the photo above that are different from your experience in the United States?**

The kids you see are your brothers and sisters in Christ!



**Running a test from SMI**

It really should not have surprised me...but it did. Every year, I create a new excel spreadsheet to track our diagnostic test orders. Among other information, it has a running total of tests sold that year and our grand total since we started. As I closed out the spreadsheet for 2020 and created the new one for 2021, I noticed something...

With your support, Science with a Mission sent out over 11,000 tests in 2020! That's not trivial. Even during a pandemic, even with most travel sharply curtailed, even with personal finances being on shaky ground for some – God was still using this ministry to bring healing to a hurting world. That's worthy of praise. **“THANKS, GOD!”**

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