



## MISSION TEAM ACOMPAÑANTE/CHAPLAIN

Solidarity Bridge (SB) seeks a just, compassionate, and interdependent world, where the health needs of those most vulnerable are prioritized and medical professionals have the necessary resources to serve their communities. **In a spirit of solidarity, we partner with communities in Bolivia and Paraguay to increase access to safe, affordable surgery and other essential healthcare.** Together with our partner organization Puente de Solidaridad (PdS), we operate four year-round, locally-led surgical programs. Through short-term mission trips, we support our surgical partners in Bolivia and Paraguay with training and equipment to further their patient care goals.

Invited by Bolivian and Paraguayan hospitals, SB Medical Mission Teams include US doctors, nurses and interpreters who work alongside local medical professionals in an effort to build solidarity as they treat patients together and expand local surgical capacity. A **Mission Team Chaplain** is included on each trip to provide pastoral care to patients, families and our religiously diverse mission team while offering the mission team opportunities to integrate questions of spirituality and ethics with their experience.

### Responsibilities Include:

- Actively participate in and help facilitate Solidarity Bridge’s online Pre-Trip Planning process.
- Plan and facilitate opening and closing rituals during the mission trip.
- Support the mission team through pastoral care and facilitation of reflection.
- Minister to patients and families in hospital and clinic settings.

### Qualifications:

- Theological training and strong ministerial and pastoral skills.
- Certified chaplain and/or completion of accredited Clinical Pastoral Education desired.
- Fluency in Spanish and English.
- Experience working cross-culturally.
- Flexibility in dealing with unexpected situations.

### UPCOMING TRIPS

Date	Specialty	Hospital	City
March 9-16, 2024	General Surgery	Oncológico del Oriente	Santa Cruz, Bolivia
April 28-May 3, 2024	Neurosurgery/Neuroanesthesia	Hospital Nacional	Itaiguá, Paraguay
Late Aug. (dates tbd)	Epilepsy	Hospital de Niños	Santa Cruz, Bolivia
Sept. 27–Oct. 5, 2024	Multispecialty clinics & Gyne surgery	Cliza Hospital	Cliza, Bolivia
Mid Oct. (dates tbd)	Gyne Oncology	ICO	Sucre, Bolivia

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