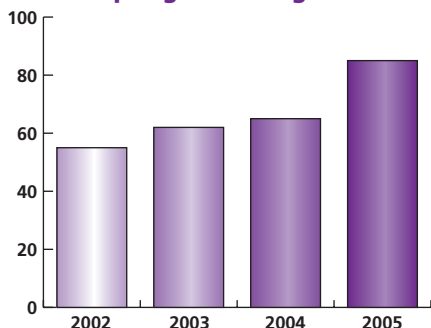


# Childspring Annual Report 2005

It is only through the efforts of many volunteers, medical professionals, doctors, and hospitals that Childspring International, in response to God's love, was able to provide in 2005, medical treatment and opportunities for a better life for children around the world.

Through your support and community involvement, Childspring was able to stretch the 2005 operating budget of \$383,000 into more than \$2.6 million worth of services. This means that more than 93% of the funds raised went directly to our program services for children.

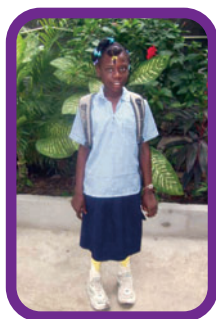
## Childspring Increasing Outreach



We have expanded our outreach and increased the awareness of Childspring International in the medical, philanthropic, and religious communities. We increased the number of children we provided medical treatment by 22% (83 children) and increased the scholarship program by 22% (53 scholarships). Our joint accomplishment speaks volumes about the dedication of all the people involved in this Christian endeavor.



Before



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## A Physical Transformation

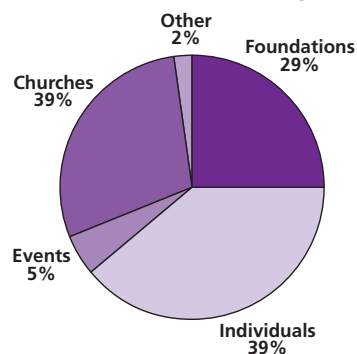
Ten-year-old Marie Laurie was born with severe club feet. She was able to walk slowly by shuffling her malformed feet but could not run, play, or attend school like other children in her village. She traveled to Chicago, IL in the spring of 2005 to experience a physical transformation that would change her life forever. Marie Laurie underwent surgery at Rush Oak Park Hospital where Dr. Sawyer repositioned her feet during surgery and placed cast on her legs to reset the bones. After the casts were removed, Marie attended regular physical therapy appointments to learn how to walk with her new feet! Marie Laurie returned home to Haiti in the fall of 2005 with a new lease on life and an educational scholarship from Childspring. She is attending school for the first time.



## Healing Comes Despite Hurricane

Three-year-old Brandon underwent heart surgery in New Orleans, LA on August 12th and Fifteen-year-old Olga from El Salvador had surgery on August 27th. Both Children were in Louisiana when hurricane Katrina hit the region. Brandon was evacuated to Shreveport for additional eye surgery while Olga was safely tucked away in a hotel across the street from Ochsner Medical Center with a nurse. Olga was evacuated to Texas a week later and both children returned to El Salvador with a new lease on life and incredible stories to tell. Both children are fully recovered and continue to do well.

## Sources of Funding



Thank you all for joining hands with Childspring to impact the lives of so many children in need. It was the generous support from 340 individual donors, 21 churches, 13 Foundations, and several small events that made it possible for Childspring to raise more than \$400,000 in 2005. Childspring does not receive any funding from government agencies or the United Way. We are 100% donor dependant and so grateful to have you all as part of our team!

## A Medical Miracle

Three-year-old Hodo from Somalia arrived in 2004 to receive surgery to remove a nearly 20 pound mass that sits on the back of her head. The mass was the result of a birth defect called Encephaly. The mass made it impossible for Hodo to sit or rollover due to the size of the mass. In January 2005, Childspring coordinated this rare and life-threatening surgery through the help of Dr. Goodrich, a world famous neurosurgeon at Montefiore Hospital in New York. Dr. Goodrich slowly drained the mass of 6 liters of fluid before removing the excess skin. Today, Hodo is able to sit, roll over, and has begun to crawl for the first time in her life.

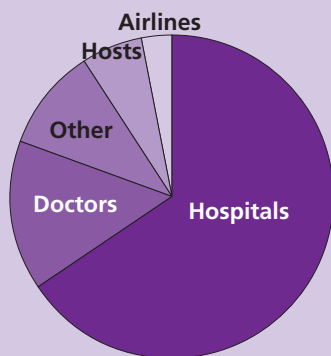


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## 2005 In Kind Donations



Thanks to the generosity of many medical doctors, hospitals, airlines, and host families, we have been able to change the lives of many children. Your services enabled Childspring to multiple a gift of \$1 to more than \$8 worth of services.



## Hearing for the First Time

Nine-year-old Blanda from Haiti was born without an external ear, a condition called microtia. With the support of Dr. Anne Schwentker, Dr Gow, and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Egleston, a 10-hour surgery was performed to create the framework for an outer ear. During surgery, doctors took this opportunity to pierce her ears, a wish that Blanda had expressed but never imagined would be possible!