



## Good Samaritan Health Services Taking Faith-Based Medicine Directly to the Greatest Need

I haven't gone to a doctor in years. I also skip my blood pressure medication. Who can afford it? I sure can't afford health insurance."

For most of us, never seeing a doctor or purposefully not taking needed medication sounds crazy...like some sort of death wish. But for thousands of people in our community, it is the norm. After all, good medical care costs money and is beyond their reach. Although social programs do exist to help, many don't have the knowledge, skills, or guts to ask about them. Instead, people, including their children, do without, often paying deadly consequences.

Seeing the need and responding to God's call, there is a group of people who invest themselves into making sure no one goes without care. For nearly twenty years, they have taken high quality medical care directly to the people who need it.

Good Samaritan Health Services (GSHS) is a faith-based medical outreach to the Tulsa community that provides free, mobile medical care to the underserved and uninsured in the greater Tulsa area. Partnering with local churches in the neighborhoods of greatest need, they bring a special blend of medical science and local, face-to-face ministry. And since many of the churches are already giving away such things as food, clothing and after-school programs, the medical van is a well-accepted and appreciated addition to their ministry. The result? People are getting well and lives are being touched for Jesus.

Good Samaritan provides a free medical examination, free labs when necessary, and free medications. Even free specialty care is also available. Good Samaritan currently has 14 locations, doing 54 clinics per month Monday through Saturday, and one women's health screening clinic per month at different locations throughout the metropolitan area. Currently, they have two fully-equipped medical trucks.

Good Samaritan is supported by individuals, churches, businesses, and several local foundations. The ministry is staffed by over 200 volunteers. Some bring medical knowledge, but many do not. Instead, they join in to provide hospitality, resources, financial support, prayer and more.

Letha has served Good Samaritan as a volunteer nurse for over 15 years. Although she often joins international medical missionary teams, she enjoys being able to use her skills right here in her own community. For her, volunteering right here in town is just as special as traveling across the globe.

As a nurse, she sees firsthand how grateful patients are to find the medical care they desperately need. A recent patient visit stands out in her mind as a special moment.

"We had a patient who injured his arm very severely. We were concerned he might lose his arm. We surrounded him with prayer, and with a caring medical team.

### "Good Samaritan Health Services is changing our community through mobile health care clinics"

Today, he has not only gained the use of his arm, but he is back to being able to live a normal life. As he got better, each time he would come to the clinic, he would give each one of us a big hug. He could not thank us enough for all that was done for him at the clinic.

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Meeting the physical needs of patients is rewarding for Letha, but her passion is for God to use her for ministry. At the clinics, she has an opportunity to pray with patients and show them God's love.

As our volunteers serve with hearts of love and compassion, God is at work in the lives of the patients. He is reigniting their faith to believe in a better tomorrow and in His blessings for today.

You don't have to travel far to find people who are in need. You can bring hope by serving in your own community. You can be a part of this mission field that is close to the heart of God and close to home.



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Does YOUR church reach out to the poor? Maybe you should partner with Good Samaritan Services to provide FREE medical care? Do you have some medical skills, or a heart for people? Maybe this is where God wants you to volunteer?

You can learn more about Good Samaritan Services on their website... [www.GoodSamaritanHealth.org](http://www.GoodSamaritanHealth.org). Give them a call. Join this incredible ministry and bring good health and salvation to people right here in our community. 📞

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**We need your help — You can be their Good Samaritan.**  
Donate online at [www.goodsamaritanhealth.org](http://www.goodsamaritanhealth.org).  
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