The last of the planning was still underway as HART volunteers met at the airport at 5:00 am. As the volunteers boarded the plane, months of preparation were about to unfold. The last of the medical supplies, carefully boxed, were shuffled between nurses and physicians at the check-in gate. These materials were just a small sampling of a larger distribution collected through Globus Relief and sent earlier via commercial cargo container.

Arrived in Ghana, the team traveled winding roads to collect the supplies that would literally be life-saving to so many patients that week. The volunteers arrived at the Catholic Center in Goaso, where they were warmly welcomed. Day after day during their week-long “surgery camp,” the team journeyed to operating rooms and clinics where physicians and nurses, armed with better surgical materials than had been seen in these remote villages ever before, evaluated and treated hundreds of patients. Children and adults of all ages came to the clinics for respite from ailments long endured. In some cases, patients who had suffered years from untreated conditions were liberated after just one surgery. The local tribal doctors even referred complicated cases to the HART team; they had faith the team could help them.

As the week ended, the long hours were immediately worth it. To see the gratitude on the faces of the patients and the families who had been suffering alongside them was invaluable. And the local nurses’ and physicians’ request that the volunteers leave behind the extra gauze and suture because they “just don’t have access to quality supplies like this” was humbling. Aptly named, the HART volunteers had spent the week proving that service, however large or small, is primarily a matter of the heart.

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BY THE NUMBERS
Countries served | Oct | YTD
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7 | 39
Orders shipped | 89 | 734
Charity partners | 51 | 155
Product sent ($M) | 3.6 | 36.0

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