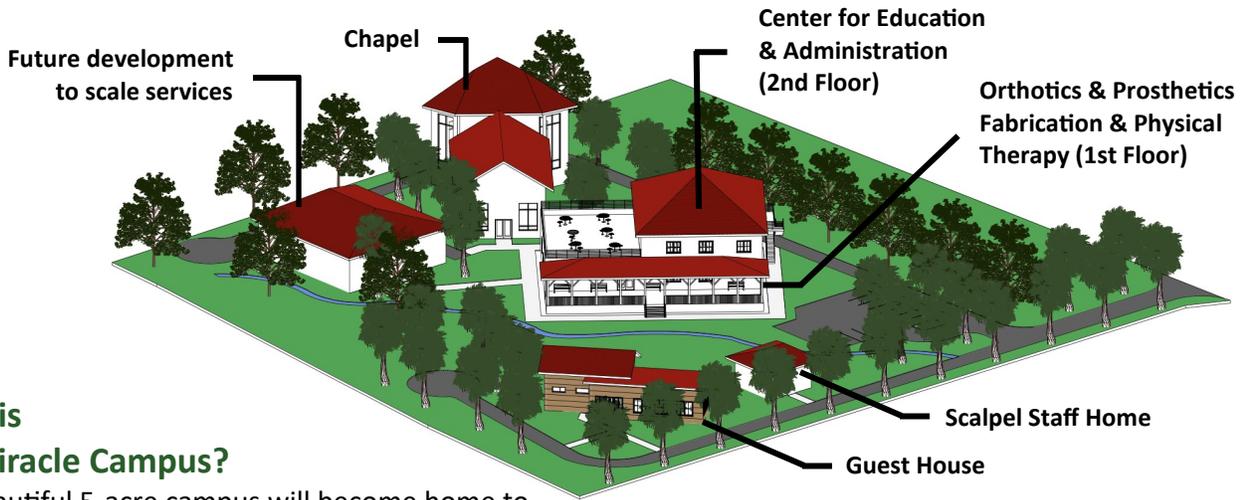


MIRACLE CAMPUS

Restoring hearts and health
in the Peruvian Amazon



What is the Miracle Campus?

This beautiful 5-acre campus will become home to the first Orthotics & Prosthetics and Orthopaedic Rehabilitation (O&OR) facility in the Peruvian Amazon jungle. It will also include a home for Scalpel staff, a conference center for education and administrative offices, a chapel, and a guest house for visitors.

MIRACLE CAMPUS MISSION

To magnify the impact of Scalpel At The Cross through the development of facilities which support orthopaedic health expansion while supporting the spiritual needs of our patients and those who serve them.

Numerous leaders in Pucallpa have expressed to us the need and desire for these orthopaedic and rehabilitative services, wanting something different for their beloved community from the overrun, dysfunctional and dilapidated government run facilities. With the partnership of local experts and industry leaders in the United States, Scalpel is in a unique position to change the tide and make a long-term impact in the Peruvian Amazon.

Why is the Miracle Campus necessary?

Our Miracle Campus will provide an extension to 20 years of ongoing community outreach, injury treatment and spiritual healing. Musculoskeletal trauma represents 11.2% of the total disability-adjusted life years worldwide, accounting for a massive proportion of the global burden of disease, over 90% of which are accounted for in low and middle-income countries, far outpacing these countries' care capacity. The significant costs of traumatic injuries go beyond health care. A longitudinal study in Uganda exploring the socioeconomic implications of isolated tibial and femoral fractures caused by road traffic accidents found that¹:



The average patient lost 88.4% of their pre-injury income level



Only 12% of patients recovered both economically and physically



One-third of patients had not reentered the workforce post-injury



Economic hardships associated with injury forced 39% of patients' dependents to drop out of school

Orthotics, prosthetics and physical therapy are essential extensions of orthopaedic care yet they are absent in the jungle. The Miracle Campus and its facilities will bridge the gap helping to mitigate the significant negative manifestations caused by trauma.

¹Lezak BA, Cole PA Jr., Schroder LK, and Cole PA. The development of a surgical mission in the Peruvian Amazon. J Bone Joint Surg Am. 2020 Feb 19;102(4):1-2.



Scalpel At The Cross staff and leadership with partners and leaders at Hospital Amazonico in Pucallpa, Peru

Why Scalpel At The Cross?

Scalpel has been sharing the hope of the gospel and offering free orthopaedic surgical care in Pucallpa, Peru for almost two decades. Over the years, the mission has grown and evolved, transitioning from a ministry that provides relief only to one which rehabilitates communities and now encourages development, working *with* the locals to reach their goals. Scalpel empowers those in the community to fulfill their calling and use their gifts and abilities to support themselves and serve others for Christ. While government run hospitals in Pucallpa provide medical care to the community, they are severely under-resourced, offering no options for orthotics, prosthetics, and rehabilitation from surgery. The Scalpel Miracle Campus offers a solution.

A Gift of Hope and Mobility

At the age of four, Alejandra was bitten by a venomous snake. Her leg required amputation to save her life. She was shunned and treated as a burden to her community, thought to be possessed by evil spirits. Such is life for “the deformed” in the jungle. For years, she persevered and managed the conditions as best as she could, using sticks and branches to traverse the jungle. God sovereignly intervened in Alejandra's life when she met a missionary family in Pucallpa. They cared for her, introduced her to saving faith, and connected her with Scalpel in 2009. Not a dry eye was found the day the Scalpel team outfitted her with a customized prosthetic leg. Hand in hand with Bob she took one step at a time, and her life changed forever. Ten years later she is married, has a beautiful child, and still uses the same rugged prosthesis. She is not alone.



The Miracle Campus Impact

SPIRITUAL



The Miracle Campus will provide a space where people can encounter the love of Christ and experience both physical and spiritual restoration.

ORTHOPAEDIC



The Miracle Campus will elevate the level of care provided in the Amazon by supplying local clinicians with a broader continuum of facilities, resources, and training in turn offering patients the best possible experience and outcome.

STRATEGIC



The Miracle Campus will create a space for the local medical community to share knowledge on surgical techniques, and train professionals in the professions of orthotics and prosthetics and physical therapy.

Be a Part of the Miracle

We desire to see a generational change in the healthcare landscape of Peru and invite you to join us as we watch the miracle unfold.

Ways to Partner



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