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### **LIFE CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE WEST GROUP MAKES HUMANITARIAN TRIP TO HELP PEOPLE OF GHANA**

**Hayward, Calif., August 5, 2009** — Interns from Life Chiropractic College West accompanied by a supervising Doctor of Chiropractic, Dr. Patti Gonzalez, provided their professional care to thousands of patients in Ghana over the course of two weeks in June. Visiting a military hospital, a park, two orphanages, and churches, they saw up to 600 patients in one day.

The trip, the fourth mission from Life West to Ghana, was organized under the auspices of Aid for AIDS Africa, founded by Maurice Graham, and was coordinated through Bryan Cox, D.C., who practices in Ghana. Dr. Cox organized and promoted Spinal Awareness Week in Accra, Ghana through his clinic; the Life West mission trip was a component of that campaign.

Angela Lindberg, one of the interns, spoke about the impact their services had on the community and themselves. She said, "Seeing a gentleman walking up to my table very slowly with a cane, and after his adjustment walk away with the cane under his arm, a smile on his face and a spring in his step, was breathtaking. What we do works! Knowing that I have been given the skills and the knowledge before I went to Ghana to change people's lives and to reconnect them with hope and life again is very rewarding."

In addition to Lindberg and Dr. Gonzalez (LCCW '05), the group included Dr. Angel Chambers (from Life University), Dr. Khalid Chaney (LCCW '09), Dr. Lyndsay Mishko (LCCW '09), and interns Monique Motil, James McElroy, Norquitta Johnson, Jill Sirucek, Jerry Hannah, Jennifer Murtagh, Kyle Klim, Morgan Ruddiman and Masahito Kanai. The team was in Ghana from June 13 – 29.

Life West, established in 1976, is an accredited non-profit institution of higher learning. Currently over 400 students from across the United States and abroad are enrolled, and over 3,700 graduates of Life West are now providing chiropractic care worldwide. The college's Health Center, a public outpatient facility staffed by approximately 150 senior interns who are guided by licensed doctors of chiropractic, provides affordable health care to more than 1,500 patients per week in the city of Hayward, California. The college and Health Center maintain a Web site at [www.lifewest.edu](http://www.lifewest.edu).