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## Humanitarian Service

Dr. Jennifer TONG is not just an orthopaedic surgeon - she is a humanitarian aid worker who boldly travels to far-flung regions, devastated by wars, to help heal the wounded.

She believes that everyone is created equal and war or poverty should not deprive anyone from getting basic medical care. So after working in a public hospital for seven years, she joined Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) in 2014 to pursue her dream of helping people.

Her passion to serve the wounded and vulnerable has taken her to the Afghan city of Kunduz, Tabarre in the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince, Mosul in Iraq and Gaza Strip, the occupied Palestinian territory.

Dr. TONG does what she does, not for fame and glory, but for the smiles she sees on the faces of those she helped. There was an orphaned 18-year-old Palestinian man, named "Sunny Boy" who was shot in the leg in July 2018. After his operation, he was nervous about walking unaided. He was always with a walking stick or clinging to friends for support. Dr. TONG, who was one of the surgeons who operated on him, then helped him gain the courage to walk confidently again without any aid.

On the day she saw him walking to the clinic on his own, she described the moment as watching... "The triumphant return of my son!"

Besides administering medical aid, she also trains the local medical personnel and enjoys meeting people of different ethnic backgrounds. Forging friendships with other unsung heroes with whom she works with makes her missions worthwhile.

She does return to Hong Kong periodically, however, to take up locum work. As soon as she feels it is time to move on, she sets out again on her mission with MSF. There is no stopping her indomitable spirit. When most of us would donate to our favourite charity and hope for the best, she wholeheartedly throws herself into her charity work.

Dr. TONG is indeed a role model for alumni and medical students alike. She truly exemplifies what the term "a good doctor" really means - to save lives, respect humanity and selflessly administer medical aid to wherever she may be needed.