

FREE RURAL EYE CLINIC

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Dr. Guil De Venicia

The Free Rural Eye Clinic was started by Dr. Gil in 1979 who was an ophthalmologist at the U. W. Medical School. Dr. Gil was appalled by the rampant blindness among people in his home land in Northern Luzon in the Philippines. Cataracts are the largest contributors of blindness.

At first Dr. Gil worked alone in attempting to diagnosis and treat eye diseases which confronted him. More recently Dr. Gil recruited teams of Ophthalmologists from folks he trained at the U.W, These Doctors travel at their own expense to provide Medical and Surgical Eye Care.

Dr Gil is one of 39,000 Ophthalmologists in the U.S. A few years ago 10 were awarded for Humanitary Service and Dr. Gil was one them.

Dr. Gil is a Lion with the Oregon Lions Club. This past year Dr. Gil and his fellow Drs. have set a record of 1,339 Cateract Surgeries, for a total to date since 1979 of 26,039. He also saw 6,120 outpatients and performed a total of 58 Glaucoma surgeries and 208 other eye related surgeries.

Dr. Gil will be available in September, October & November. Please let me know if anyone is interested in having a presentation.

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