

Mercy Ships



After a ship staff-member learned *Simply The Story* (STS), he went back to the ship and used STS for onboard devotions. Mercy Ships responded by asking for 70 Guinean ground-crew to be trained! African STS instructors led the Guinea workshop.

Ship leaders observed the impact of Scripture on the mostly Muslim patients. "People in the rehab hospitals are bringing their ritual washing basins into the meeting rooms so they don't miss hearing the story!"

Mercy Ships now uses *God's Story* and STS in its 10-month stays at African ports.

"Our President and founder, Don Stephens, fully endorsed the STS method of storytelling to over 600 international staff, and has communicated his desire for storytelling to be Mercy Ships' primary form of evangelism in Africa."

STS is used on the ship in:

- Departmental devotions.
- Ward services.
- Ministering to patients.

Ground crews in each port spread land use to:

- Cell groups.
- Family churches.
- Orphanages & prisons.
- Parents teaching children.

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"Declare His glory ... His wonders among all people." Ps 96:3

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Medical Missions With Eternal Results



Use *Simply The Story*
&
God's Story



Simply The Story (STS) & God's Story: From Creation to Eternity (GS)

World Impact



Hospitals: "We showed *God's Story* to a dying man's family. Two of his family members accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior through watching GS in Telugu language of India."

A couple in Africa, who owns a chain of hospitals and rural clinics, went into health care to help people holistically. Over time, they realized they were nearly 100% medical.

Then they discovered the ease of using GS in waiting rooms. Afterwards they also experienced the natural way STS touches people with Scripture and empowers them to learn from the Bible for themselves. Now these tools are completing their vision to help in a holistic way.

Medical Clinics: "We tell and discuss Bible stories with people waiting to be seen. STS is an invaluable tool to share the Gospel, especially with oral learners. People apply the principles to their daily lives. Many Muslims weep, as they thought they were the only ones with their particular problem or situation."

"I am a nurse and run a mobile clinic. I set up my computer and play *God's Story* while the patients wait to be seen. We then share the gospel. I now have more patients coming because they want to see the video!"



Trafficking worldwide saddens us all. One ministry not only rescues girls, it also nourishes them body, soul and spirit. Out of the tens of thousands of girls being saved from going into slavery, many trust in Jesus. Discipleship is done with Bible stories which equips the girls to teach others. After being taught a trade, they return to their villages.

Their skills, confidence and wealth of stories give them great value in the eyes of the villagers. Hundreds of churches are being planted by these young women.

Disaster Relief: "People watched the entire *God's Story* in Spanish for one or two times while waiting for the doctors. Hondurans were loved on, prayed for, and fed. The medical teams asked each person about receiving Jesus as Saviour. By God's grace, 12,000 were ministered to!"



Reaching the Unreached: A Kenyan medical ministry showed *God's Story* to a resistant, unengaged, unreached people they wanted to bless. The people responded to the love of the health workers and to the love of God. The health care continued. STS was used for discipleship. Now body, soul and spirit, these people are engaged and reached!

"We use STS with CHE [Community Health Evangelism]. Many were awoken spiritually and began coming to church. They are asking me for more stories!"

Individuals Serving: "I have done trips from the USA to 20 countries. People were saved and disciplined. But now, with STS, people are also empowered."

"I took care of people's eyes. While they were waiting I showed them *God's Story*. I've never experienced such a quiet waiting line as people were viewing the video. At night I showed it in people's homes. 20-30 people were 'glued to the set.' I had a chance to pray with many people after the showing."

"I took a basic dentistry course. Now in our remote villages of Nepal, my wife and I can help our poorest while we tell Bible stories."

Drug Rehab: A chaplain in a drug and alcohol recovery center said, "Many of our clients prefer not to read or have short attention spans due to their addictions. The STS way to present Scriptures make a huge impact in our clients."



God's Story

Just push "Play" and . . .
God's Story ministers for you!

While people wait for care, play *God's Story* (audio or video). Available in over 300 languages, this 80-minute Bible overview goes from Genesis to Revelation. In regions with limited power, use solar players to broadcast *God's Story* to families and patients. Chronological Scripture brings many to Jesus.

Simply The Story

Conversational delivery of
Scripture draws people.

In only a few minutes of ministering, this natural way of discussing Scripture invites people to go deeply into the Word of God. Without preaching, the Holy Spirit leads people to make personal applications. With training and practice, doctors, nurses and assistants are empowered to tell and involve people in discussing small portions (or all) of a Bible story.

STS Gives Confidence to Team Members:

- This new tool expands ministry options of team.
- Being equipped inspires Bible stories to be shared.

Ways to Receive STS Training:

- Host a 37-hour training for your team.
- Send team members to a workshop.
- Use STS resources to build skills.

Value of Using STS:

- People connect with stories.
- Listeners discover deep spiritual truths.
- Helps local leaders reach nonreaders.
- Ladies, youth and uneducated all participate.

After the Teams Leave:

- Patients retell stories and bless others.
- Teams come home saying, "Stories touched us!"