



# Angela Caffrey

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## Biography

I grew up near Seattle, Washington, after being adopted from South Korea as a baby. The Lord blessed me with a family who introduced me to Christ, and I thank God for His guiding hand on my life all these years.

My journey into medicine took me into women's health and the small but amazing field of gynecologic oncology, where I take care of women with cervical, uterine, and ovarian cancer. Later, I also became board certified in Hospice and Palliative Medicine, and God opened the doors for Southwestern Medical Clinic in St. Joseph, Michigan, to hire me during this time of transition.

My first visit to [Tenwek Hospital](#) was in 2011 after hearing the testimony of colleague, Dr. Carol Spears. Through her, God showed me the amazing work He was doing with the Pan-African Academy of Christian Surgeons (PAACS) residency. Since that time, I have volunteered at Tenwek five times, spending two months per year in Kenya since 2012. My prayers were answered, and I became debt free at the end of 2013. With some trepidation, I asked the Lord how He would use my future, and He led me down the path toward long-term missionary service in Africa.

Despite the growing number of trainees coming to Tenwek Hospital, Kenya still has a great deal of medical need. Screening for cervical cancer, a preventable and curable disease, is rarely offered in East Africa. Women in Kenya still die every day from cervical cancer. Many patients who die from cancer and other advanced illnesses have unmet physical and spiritual needs.

We are so excited that God is building a team at Tenwek of committed women's health physicians who love Him and the people of Kenya. The opportunity for me to teach and mentor our African surgical residents and interns as well as our visiting students and residents from around the globe is unmatched here in the U.S. I will also continue to help develop the Tenwek Hospice program by doing home visits and educating about Christ-centered end-of-life care.