

DR. KENT BRANTLY

Dr. Kent Brantly is a Family Medicine physician who has served since October 2013 as a medical missionary at ELWA Hospital in Monrovia, Liberia. Dr. Brantly received his Medical Degree from Indiana University School of Medicine. He completed his Family Medicine Residency and Fellowship in Maternal Child Health with Advanced Training in Obstetrics at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth, Texas. Prior to entering medical school, he received his Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Text from Abilene Christian University in Abilene, Texas.

After arriving in Liberia, Dr. Brantly served as a full spectrum family physician, practicing inpatient and outpatient medicine and pediatrics as well as high-risk obstetrics. He also served as the physician liaison for the HIV treatment program at ELWA hospital and participated in training with the National AIDS Control Program.

While serving in Liberia in the spring of 2014, Dr. Brantly found himself fighting on the front lines of the battle against the deadliest Ebola outbreak to ever occur. In early July Samaritan's Purse, the organization for which Dr. Brantly worked, took over responsibility for the clinical care of Ebola patients for the entire nation of Liberia. Dr. Brantly was appointed as Medical Director for what would become the only Ebola Treatment Unit in all of southern Liberia.

On July 26, he was diagnosed with Ebola Virus Disease, which set off a firestorm of media attention. Dr. Brantly became the first person in the world to receive the experimental drug Zmapp, and the first person with Ebola to be treated in the United States when he was evacuated to Emory University Hospital. He now feels it his privilege and duty to speak out on behalf of the people of West Africa who continue to suffer from the scourge of Ebola.

Dr. Brantly, his wife Amber, and their two children are based in Texas.