Eyes for the Blind
Christ as a Model to Meet the Needs of the Marginalized

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Eyes on Immigrants
The Community Health Outreach program trains Community Health Workers (CHWs) to be liaisons between Siloam and their communities. CHWs provide health literacy education, assist with healthcare system navigation, and provide clinical follow-up to Siloam patients.

More than Multi-Lingual Care
To provide multi-cultural care, Siloam needs resources:
• In many languages
• For low-literacy patients
• That are culturally relevant

In response to this need, I developed a Digital Health Library which would organize and make accessible to CHWs and Clinicians culturally appropriate materials, especially for low literacy patients.

Seeing the Blind
Drawing its name from John 9 where Jesus heals a blind beggar by putting mud on his eyes and telling him to wash in the Pool of Siloam, Siloam keeps its eyes open to see the blind, who are those marginalized by society, to provide healing.

The Modern Blind
Uninsured immigrants and refugees are among the most medically vulnerable, yet face immense barriers to healthcare. Following Christ’s model, Siloam seeks to provide healthcare to these communities.

In the same way, Siloam sees the marginalized in society and considers and addresses the interwoven needs of their patients.

More than a Monolith
Refugees come from vastly different cultural backgrounds, fleeing all varieties of persecution, with different levels of education. This makes standardized health literacy classes extremely difficult, but teaching them taught me the nuanced nature of intercultural communication.

The challenge of communicating with incredibly diverse patients is essential to tackle if one hopes to provide meaningful healthcare to the underserved.

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