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Tammy is the Director for Project H.O.P.E in Ciudad Sandino, Nicaragua as well as an Adjunct Professor for Adventist University in Orlando, Florida. After being the director of an accredited sonography program for many years, Tammy had the opportunity to serve others in the world through sonography. Initially, she served state-side until moving her family to

Nicaragua full-time to serve the poorest of the poor. Tammy considers serving alongside so many other volunteers for the betterment of the sonography profession to be one of her greatest accomplishments.

When Tammy was introduced to sonography, the real-time imaging, and the ability to see and gain insight without being invasive amazed her. "After shadowing some veteran sonographers, I knew sonography was the perfect choice for me," said Tammy. "I observed them gathering around textbooks after scanning a patient. They had been scanning for over twenty years yet had just imaged something they had never seen before. They all learned something that day. I knew I had found the career for me. As a lifelong learner, I thrive on the user dependency of sonography along with the daily challenges that present themselves."

Tammy holds a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from Missouri State University. In 2017, she published her first book, *Know Hope*.

