



GOOD NEWS!  
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TELL A FRIEND!  
SPREAD THE WORD!

NEW SIGHT  
ON AIR April 2016  
New Radio Tower Built

## FROM CURSE TO BLESSING

In Congo, when someone becomes blind, the spouse often leaves. This happened to Gerard, a Pygmy man living in the depths of the rainforest. When he lost his sight, he also lost his wife, his livelihood, his hope, his confidence, and his dignity. With your help, he recovered his sight. Today, he travels with New Sight to tell the good news that 80% of blindness is avoidable, and helps new patients overcome their fear of surgery. This he does with the biggest smile on his face.



Gerard after operation

Gerard : (Left - after operation) Travelling with the New Sight team for free screening and community health campaign; (Below - before operation) Travelling in same car on his way to New Sight eye centre for his surgery even though he literally could not see where he was going. We salute his courage, and the way he has turned his suffering into a blessing for others.



"I want to tell  
the world my  
good news..."

After his sight-restoring surgery, Emilien was so happy to see his 'wife, friends, family, everything and everyone' again. Words cannot describe the incredible moment when he saw his grandchild for the first time. He was so happy that he wanted to tell the world —and so he did — not just in person but also on the radio! Many people in Congo are fearful of surgery. Testimonies like Emilien's really encourage patients and families to come to our eye centre so that they too can have good news to share!



Emilien meeting grandchild



Gerard before operation



At radio station. Left Emilien. Right : Henri with DJ

Sonset Solutions sent an amazing team to build a 100m tower to extend the area coverage of Radio Sango Kitoko. Through the radio, Henri teaches communities to look after their eyes, not to ignore injuries and infections as the norm; and shares the good news that half of the world's blind can see again after a single cataract operation.







## GOOD NEWS IS IN THE AIR

For five years, Harneche, a 31-year-old father of two from Pointe Noire, the second largest city in Congo, has been desperately saving money to fly to Morocco to have a cataract operation. When his mum told him the good news about New Sight, he took 2 planes and travelled a 1000km to our eye centre, where we were privileged to help him see again! On his return flight home (top left), he excitedly told everyone about his new sight. Several who heard this said that they too have family who need eye operations and asked for the contact for New Sight! Harneche was previously deemed disabled and unfit to take on his dream job in IT. He said that he was most looking forward to new employment opportunities, and of course celebrating with his family! (bottom left) Showing Ezra Samoutou how he can now drive again on video game, Harneche said, 'When I get home, I will drive the real one.' The two looked at each other, and smiled from the heart.



### Please pray for

1. Our need to recruit team members to join us in Congo.
2. Our nurses to grow in knowledge, skills and heart so that they can increase their capacity.
3. Congo in its post-elections days.



## NEW YAG LASER MACHINE

We are thrilled to announce the wonderful news that we have our very first new YAG laser! Needless to say, our patients who have been waiting for this for months and years are over the moon! Thank you for making this possible!



## New Sight Partners with Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Massive shout out to the students and professors at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology for donating your time and talents, and getting involved in our cause to help people see in Congo! We are honoured to partner with clever people like you who have such big hearts! Thank you also to our volunteer extraordinaire Monsieur Victor Kam. Here he is sharing about our work and vision with the students. We are so thankful for volunteers like Victor who work tirelessly and pour their hearts to make New Sight possible.



Want to get involved like Victor and the university students? Drop us an email: [info@samoutou.com](mailto:info@samoutou.com)