

Reflections & Anticipation

As we look forward to the new year, we are excited about many things. One of them is the long anticipated tour to Hong Kong and Singapore. Together, we will celebrate all the lives that we have been privileged to transform in the last five years, as well as unveil the details of the most incredible vision for New Sight for the next five years. To realise this vision, we need you to continue to support us, and we need you to help us find more supporters. Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much. - Helen Keller

IF YOU WANT TO HELP, HERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS TO HELP YOU GET STARTED

What can I give?	Money? Time? Skills? In kind donation of goods and services to help a. Fundraising (e.g. auction prizes, printing, host an event, volunteer) b. The work in Congo (e.g. furniture, IT equipment, appliances, medical)
Who do I know?	Can you think of Friends, corporates, foundations, organisations, groups, churches, contacts who may be able to help?
What can I do?	Donate: www.newsightcongo.com/donate Go to a New Sight Event and bring a friend or two Host a table at the New Sight Fundraising Dinner and / or Lunch Connect the Samoutous with your contacts (Email: info@newsightcongo.com) Help spread the word through social media @newsightcongo
What can I pray for?	Homeschool teacher and people to join New Sight team Wisdom and strength Doors and windows to be opened to achieve this incredible vision

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Out of the Congo Jungle





The two of us can dream; A handful of us can plan; A dozen of us can work; But it takes an army of us to make it happen. - Joyce & Henri Samoutou

Here are some of our patients who made quite a journey - so they can see again!



FROM BRAZZAVILLE THE CAPITAL: His wife left him because he could no longer see. Alphonse said that for the past 4 years, he had carried on living because of his 3 children. Thanks to a generous British couple, he had the airfare to fly from the capital to New Sight where he received free surgery. He is overjoyed to see again!

Last time we wrote to you, they were still blind. Today, they can see again - because of your support!

FROM EPENA (right) During one of our 3-day screening and health education campaigns to Epena, we consulted nearly 200 people free of charge. This man was one of the 58 patients diagnosed with cataracts. We provided free transport

for him and his carer to and from our eye centre, where he received



sight-restoring surgery! We also diagnosed several other eye conditions including glaucoma (10), and refractive errors (103) which can be easily corrected with glasses. We were particularly happy to work in collaboration with the local nurses and authorities.

FROM ABROAD (left).

These patients travelled all the way from the DRC 'the other Congo' for their eye operations!



NEW SIGHT IN SOUTH AFRICA



(Above) With our scientific collaborator Dr. Andy Cassels-Brown , Consultant Ophthalmologist of St James University Hospital, U.K

On 27-30 Oct, Joyce and Henri represented New Sight at the 10th IAPB General Assembly - the International Eye Health meeting that is held every 4 years. This time, it was hosted by South Africa, and brought together 1150 eye care professionals from 100 countries, eye care suppliers, as well as leaders from World Health Organisation, United Nations, World Bank, Health ministers and other officials including the President of Liberia.

It was a very fruitful trip on many different fronts. We are thankful for the useful updates, exchange of ideas, stimulating discussions and brainstorming sessions. Old collaborations were strengthened while new exciting ones were formed. Special thanks to our volunteers the de Klerk sisters who drove 8.5 hours to babysit the Samoutou children. We are more prepared and committed than ever before for the next phase of development in Congo!

ANSWERED PRAYER & PRAYER REQUEST!



After praying for 6 years, we finally have full time teachers for the Samoutou children! The super talented couple Leanne and Ethan Borman from USA / Ecuador / Mexico came at the end of September! They relieve Joyce from her homeschooling duties to devote more time to help patients and families. They will return to the USA in Feb. We are looking for a new teacher to start in April 2017.

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Like the glasses above, the gifts you buy at our Priceless gift store are always needed and wanted.

GUESS WHO IS DOING A SURGICAL PROCEDURE HERE?



No! It is not Henri! It is our nurse Ghislain! We continue to teach our nurses daily. Obviously they still have a long way to go, but we rejoice in what they have accomplished. BRAVO!

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