



STORIES OF TRANSFORMATION

Story

(Title)	Vision Conference and training of Trainers
Ministry type	Wholistic Discipleship
Objectives	Equipping Gods' people for service in their communities
Outcomes	49 participants were trained through Worldview and development, and wholistic ministry and 3 Seed actions have been planed, one per location.
Area of impact	All areas –Spiritual, social, physical and wisdom
Country	Bas-Congo, The Democratic Republic of Congo
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In July we had a Vision Conference in Bas-Congo province. The conference was facilitated by the Samaritan Strategy facilitators; Rev. Buingo, pastors Byamungu and Romain. A training of trainers session is planned in the near future. A local team of 12 persons has been organized to oversee activities and Seed Actions planned during the conference, and others they will carry out for long range impact in the country. Churches responded positively to our invitation and among them were: Ministère joie et consolation divines, Manne cachée, Tabernacle de Matadi,

Catholique, Cité de Gloire de Kinshasa, Eglise adventiste, PEFA Church, Ministère du combat spirituel, Eglise vient et vois, Eglise de Philadelphie...

It was a good opportunity for church leaders to exchanges experiences; look for new ways through which they could serve their communities with the purpose to see positive change in lives of their people.

Outcomes

1. 49 participants (men and women): they were pastors, church leaders and community development staff.
2. Participants to the Vision conference have committed themselves to demonstrates God's concern to their surrounding communities by carrying out 3 Seed actions:
 - ✓ *To initiate the drainage works of the gutters and the collecting of the rubbish in MVUZI market- in MVUZI division;*
 - ✓ *Cleansing of NZAZA roundabout-in NZAZA location;*
 - ✓ *Visitation, distribution of food stuff and covering medical expenses (medicines and foods) for very poor patients in hospitals, and counseling and sharing the Word of God with prisoners -MATADI constituency.*

These are the Seed Actions planed during the training, but in order to experience positive substantial change, participants to Vision Conference committed themselves to do more acts of service in the future- see the chart bellow.

Discipline of love chart: Development plan done by participants during the Vision Conference

Contexts for service	Areas of need			
	Wisdom	Physical	Spiritual	Social
Family	Telling biblical stories during daily family devotions for moral lessons	Brushing and washing shoes of visitors (we live in a sandy area)	Training my children to memorize a Bible verse per week	Discuss cultural stories in family-to discover truth and lies
Church	To revive church's vision during monthly meeting	To make vegetable gardens in the church compound for sell and helping the needy people	To organize monthly prayer to support the vision of our church	To organize a luncheon for all the church members on Christmas or New year occasion.
Community around me	To invite neighbors to discuss community' problem : erosion, mosquitoes	To mobilize community people to hoe the cemetery	To invite Neighbors to morning glory prayer	To organize visits of prison and hospitals, Each quarter

Comment done by participants: Closing speech

1. Pastor Alphonse Musese:



During five days of training God was really glorified in the life of each one of us. Through these rich teachings, drawn from the Word of God, we have caught up in the field of knowledge and are delivered of the ignorance. The training we have just received is for us God's grant. As we have just learned, we do not have reasons to waste nor to underestimate what we have just received from the Lord. On the other hand, we have the duty to make it profitable, to keep it and to fructify it, especially to

protect it so that the enemy does not come to steal it from us. We must endeavor to give to our communities and our people the true image of God's children because of acquired knowledge so that really we can alleviate and overcome spiritual and material poverty.

All has been given to us free of charge, let's give also free to those that are in need and the Lord will be glorified. We ask Harvest and Samaritan Strategy Africa to make continually the follow-up of our work not to fall into the common practices which characterize other organizations, once the training given, are not interested anymore in the follow-up and the evaluation of the objectives that they assigned themselves.

2. Jean Chrétien Mayala: Mayor of Matadi town:



The change of our country can be done only by the church; that means it will be possible by the training of the church development actors. As Christian, we have to work hardy, to be present at all levels of responsibilities in all sectors of life in order to better represent the Kingdom of God and to face the begging attitude which characterizes our people. Moreover, by seeing the churches building temples, schools, hospitals and other social works, and with trainings like these, we believe as said in Psalms 60:12- "*With God*

we will gain the victory, and He will trample down our enemies".