

DIALOGUE IN NIGERIA ~ First DVDs Arrive in Democratic Republic of Congo

[Virginia and Elesse Bafandjo](#) live in Commune de Lemba, Kinshasa, DR Congo. They dedicate their lives to helping local youth and adults receive adequate education, health care, social services, and communication skills to overcome violence in their culture.

Step #1 - February 2012

In January 2012, they requested by e-mail and received by airmail their nation's first DVDs of the new, how-to documentary film, [DIALOGUE IN NIGERIA: Muslims & Christians Creating Their Future](#)

In February 2012, the DVDs arrived by mail. Their family watched the film then hurriedly e-mailed their photos and personal responses.

The film is a whole treasury...a mighty instrument to help the people of the nations emerge from danger. It's medicine for our "Human Relationship Deficiency Virus - HRV," to help our community, authorities, youth, families...for great changing. Spread it as far as possible!!



Step #2 - March 2012

In a few weeks, the family's next step was to invite others to a home to view **DIALOGUE IN NIGERIA**. In **March 2012** they wrote:

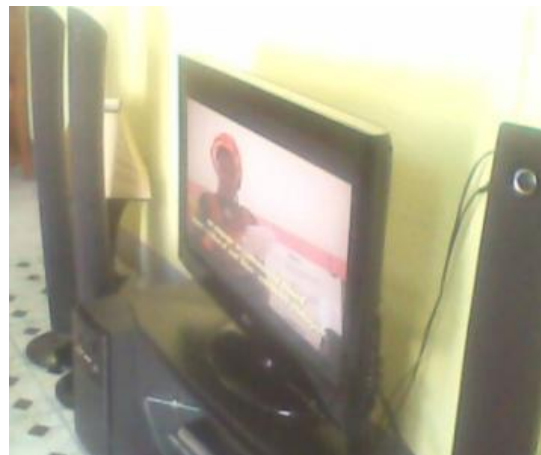
We are doing our best to spread the mighty message that the DVDs are transmitting because we understand immediately the impact that these DVDs can have around us and far from us.

That is why we organized a special meeting of many persons of different origins and religions in the house of an influent personality in order to communicate to them the message of the DVDs. It was three days ago!

In this circumstance, we had with our guests a little dinner.

You can see how I was doing the teacher in the photos joined!

Everybody was amazed and edified and was happy to discover your great contribution for humanity with your teachings with the mechanism of face-to-face.



Days later by e-mail, NEW INSIGHTS arrived from the Africans.

CONCLUSIONS

We finally understand very, very well your mission and vision than in the beginning. Now, it is more clear!

We know more exactly about who are you and what you are doing. It is wonderful!

The time, the exchanges, the teachings, the DVDs...have helped much and convince us.

In fact, we understand that what you are and what you are doing is an essential, vital complement even for our mission as described in our webpage <http://masksoff.net/ActionMamanLydia.html>

You know if people, communities, Religions, authorities arrive to understand the way of your communication and its contents (face-to-face, heart to heart) we are sure that violences with all its consequences: destructions wars, hungriness, pauvreté, death...will disappear.

So, we are happy to be connected with you and are promising to include all your teachings in our system of work here.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We are giving you suggestions in the hope you send us more DVDs in order to accomplish a mission with!

We don't know for others, but for us the DVDs are the vehicles that transport a great message able to help... really to help.

We showed it yesterday to famous person here that enjoy much and wished to do our best to pass it in a channel of TV here.

We suggest:

1. Possibly to translate it in French here or there to help French-speaking country to enter this treasury and especially in my country, DR Congo.

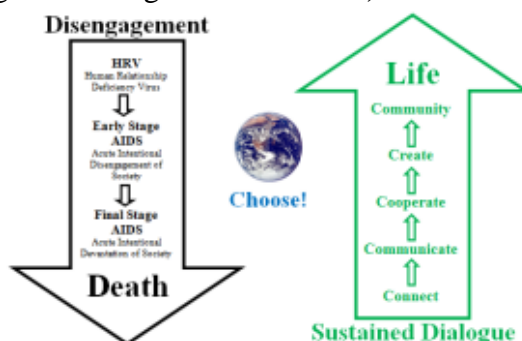
2. We wish the organisations of meetings, conference, dinners of youth, adults, diverse communities and religions and authorities. The message in the film according to us is very deep and helpful for families and couples.

3. We don't know if you are authorizing to broadcast it in the TV. If so, there is here more than 45 channels of TV and hope that this will help to spread speedly your mighty teachings and it is really for us to spread peace and to create peacemakers.

We are ready to hear all your advices and views to our suggestions. We are ready to work hard for what is helping than anything else! Love & Blessings!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Step #3 - August 2012

True to their own suggestions, Elesse, Virginia, and the core team began translating into French what especially spoke to them -- the insight from Nigeria about **HRV, Human Relationship Deficiency Virus**.



They next began **film screenings with simultaneous French interpretation** for groups of leaders of families, tribes, and associations, including students, artisans, and members of their own NGO.

These photos are from Saturday morning, 26 May 2012, in a modest room of Edenwhose Church in Masina Mapela, one of the most populated quarters in Eastern Kinsasha, DR Congo. After seeing **DIALOGUE IN NIGERIA**, the inspired senior pastor accepted to help invite and welcome the diverse attendees.





Initiator Elesse Bafandjo describes his reasons in DR Congo for screening the film and its teachings:

1. *A kind of violence called KULUNA (fights with knives and various dangerous weapons) is frequent between people of different districts of this region. It causes death and destruction, and an indifference and insensitivity that defy description. Walls are created. Bridges are broken.*
2. *We decided to transmit the knowledge of what are for us new tools of communication, education, and real dialog to all the leaders and all citizens who are able to positively influence their groups communities, and nations to begin engaging like this. For us, the tools of DIALOGUE IN NIGERIA on the DVD must first be known because of the rich and strong contents and teachings which are the source of creativity and influence toward real PEACE.*
3. *This is the beginning to prevent all kinds of dangerous and mortal conflicts in our DR Congo with more than 450 ethnicities with a large diversity of religion confessions.*
4. *The base of all our activities is the relation between humans. . .humanizing and lifting up each other with a vision of inclusiveness.*

*We are proud to begin!
Love and BLESSINGS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*

Step #4 - February 14, 2013

Elesse e-mailed: *"This Saint Valentine's Day evening at a Kinshasha playground, we welcomed youth from different social groups, including students, workers, jobless, Christians and Muslims, Lubas and Katangas, Mongos and Kimbangus, and various NGOs. There have been war and bloody fights among some of them, like the Lubas and Katangas. It was an exciting and moving evening, in spite of the small space and power failures.*

"I'm sincerely grateful to Gabriel Mayombo, Ms. Ariane Laby, Mrs. Winny Eyenga, and Mr. Serge Lbanzadio who assisted with all their heart!"



PARTICIPANT RESPONSES

Gabriel Mayombo

*"I appreciate the vision of face to face, heart to heart....These tools can help everybody, because the **INDIFFERENCE** is not only a danger but the beginning of many damages...I'm very excited with the film and the teachings!!"*

Guy Nkola (young Luba)

*"Mr. Elesse exports one of the best methods of a sustained dialog that could help our people to avoid violence, warsNo problem! I receive all this like a **HOPE** for the **FUTURE** for a peaceful and an inclusive community."*

Charlene Ngongo (Katanga young girl)

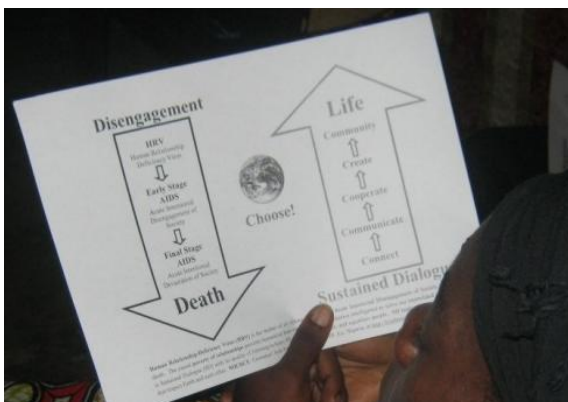
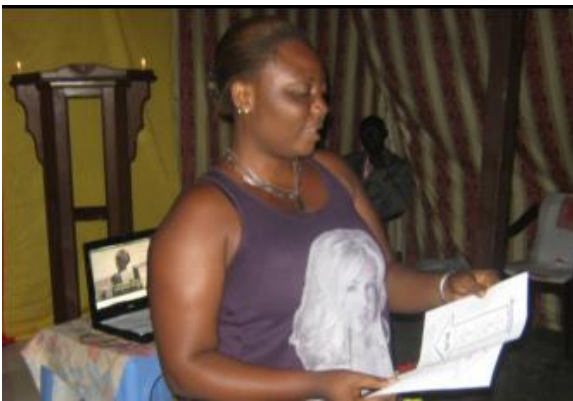
*"The quality of this method in order to educate people for a global community is very superior and Wonderful and not easy to understand...The film and the teachings are **the raw material** for the creation of bridges to build an inclusive society."*

Debaba (youth from Nord Kivu, the troubled region of DR Congo)

"Kivu is full of all the kinds of violences! Please Mr. Elesse, would you like to do something to educate people there with these particulars tools?...I mean the film and the teachings...Lema and Hema people in Ituri (the eastern province) are in great conflict...they need these things!"

Step #5 - March 08, 2013 - International Women's Day

*"Again in Kinshasha many gathered to view **DIALOGUE IN NIGERIA** and to **reinforce the capacities of women** with the face-to-face and heart-to-heart formula to apply in their houses, universities, societies, and villages, and to become the instruments and ambassadors for the beginnings of change!"*





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Step #6 - April 2013 - Albino ~ Non-Albino Reconciliation