



Conference participants & 1000 African Women Network Members with invited Guest His Honorable Pierre Wafo

WITH THE THEME "ENGAGING AFRICAN FRANCOPHONE COUNTRIES AND LEADERS TO PARTICIPATE AT HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM DURING CSW 59 AND ADDRESSING ISSUES AFFECTING AFRICAN WOMEN AND YOUNG GIRLS"

**Promoting WASH in Africa ( Water, Sanitation and Hygiene)Hygiene); Education in Africa: From Theory to Practice; Universal Health Coverage as solution to maternal mortality in Africa; A tragedy to end by 2030: Domestic Violence, Early & Forced Marriage and Female Genital Mutilation; African Women Economic Empowerment – How do we get there?**

**AHC HOSTED THE CSW59  
SESSIONS OF THE COMMISSION  
ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN ON  
MARCH 13, 2015**

African Hope Committee believes that education and access to information play crucial roles in the lives of women, young girls and youth. The vast majority of the world, however, is cut off from this vital information that

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could empower them for a healthy living. African Hope Committee works to leverage the strengths of the New York African immigrants and families in Africa by providing them with vital information and essential services that will improve their lives.

AHC has hosted annual health summits for six consecutive years. Over 2,400 people at the local, national and international levels have attended the conference and we have brought awareness to over 180,000 people via social media campaign, various websites and news media.

### The goals of the Forum are:

- *Increasing access to universal health coverage*
- *Increasing access to clear drinking water in rural areas*
- *Creating and building proper Sanitation in Africa*
- *Increasing health awareness and knowledge of Maternal Child Health and HIV/AIDS including STD's of women and young girls*
- *Increasing Global awareness through women empowerment and support services by increasing group discussion to get feedback from experts on how to address FGM prevention and care needs of the African women.*
- *Educating African women, young girls and youth to become self-sufficient and future leaders*

- *Encouraging women, young girls, youth and their families to participate in Leadership training to increase their economic and social development*
- *Developing a plan of action to offer emotional support to women and young girls affected by Domestic violence and human trafficking*
- *Engaging governments, politicians and other NGO's to help add values on women and girls issues and developing policies that are gear toward protecting women, young girls and youth.*
- *Developing and strengthening partnerships with government officials, leaders, women groups and institutions to join in discussions on Africa Development.*
- *Increasing Access to francophone countries to participate at UN High Level Political forum.*
- *Increasing the visibility of Francophone NGO'S at the UN.*



Special delegations from Cameroon, Enfance Joyeuse du Cameroon



Anatole Toukam addressing to the audience about CSW, The commission of the statues on women at the .UN



Dr. Shirley Kablan addressing on Maternal child health and universal health coverage. A presentation that brought so many questions in the room and the need to reach high authorities to implement the model in African countries.

The target audience includes Ambassadors, Delegates from Africa, women groups, health care providers; social service workers; elected officials; policymakers; health advocates; community residents and African women, men and youth. We believe that the 2015 CSW59 Forum /Gala will become a grand platform for showcasing the latest technology products/ concepts and health images of women , young girls and youth, it will also be a grand gathering for networking communication, cooperation and collaboration between Government officials, NGO's, Investors and Community leaders at a local, national and international levels.



Clarisse Mefotso Fall, Executive Director



Good Evening and Welcome. Distinguished and Honored Guests. Friends and Family. It is my great honor to have you all here today and a privilege for African Hope Committee to sponsor our 2015 CSW59 – Commission on the Status of Women Forum Side event with support from so many organizations, institutions and corporations.

We are joined today by delegations from Cameroon and the Congo to raise awareness for the plight of African women, girls and youth. There are 22 delegates from The Congo and the 5 from Cameroon, here today to increase exposure for African Francophone Countries. We welcome them, and hope this will be the first of many conversations with us. We call upon the Francophone Countries of Africa to increase their participation in issues impacting their delicate populations and to join us in finding creative solutions to alleviate and eradicate those issues.

I want to welcome all the dignitaries and leaders of the African community this evening. I personally would like to thank all our guest of honors including H.E Pierre Wafo from Cameroon, Honorable Marceline Tawembi, from Congo, The office of the Mayor Bill de Blasio, Councilmember Inez Dickens and Congressman Charles Rangers. I want to thank our distinguished board members all our distinguished speakers including our hosts and entertainers. Thank you to Mr. Anatole Toukam, AHC formal graduate intern and now our UN Liaison and Global Project Director. This project is running today because of his commitment to a better Africa for Africans. While pursuing his studies in international studies, Anatole came to learn from me, and although he came seeking knowledge he managed to leave a distinguishable footprint at AHC. Join me in congratulating my colleague, Mr. Anatole Toukam.

I would like to thank my family, my husband Mamadou Malick Fall and my children for their love and support. Without them, I would not be standing here, as the founder of a United Nations recognized NGO, with over 15 years of social and humanitarian work behind me.

#### **Create awareness and Provide Leadership Development for women, girls and youth**

Under our global project auspice we have created a beautiful initiative named **1000 African Women Network**. If you have not joined the network, sign in before you leave, and you will receive the outline of the international networking group in your email. The 1000 women network mobilizes women

internationally to support one another in business, leadership and success. I envision this stretching across continents and am happy to share the faces of some of our members on the banners around the room.

This is my dream, and I'm very proud to share it with you. I had a vision to unite African women, girls and youth before the foundation of AHC. Within our network we celebrate femininity, providing a safe, supportive environment lifting each other above the imposed limits of our gender. We are the mothers of humanity, and though our efforts are often underestimated, the 1000 Women Network encourages innovation from our members.

This is a project that you wake up with. Then work and develop and perfect, to ensure its success. The 1000 Women Network took us about 3 years to construct today, we talk more about engineering, sciences. This is it, now the foundation and the structure of the engine is completed, all we need to do is to board the plane.

Today, I, Clarisse Mefotso Fall, President of African Women Network declare, that every single one of you as women, girls and youth are named an Ambassador of the African Women Network. You have been entrusted with a huge responsibility. Your responsibility is to be a voice of all women, girls and youth AROUND the world, in your country, city, and community, with your neighbors, coworkers and in your village. If you cannot accept this responsibility, please do not join the network.

We anticipate that over 1 million people will register around the globe. By next year, on International Women's Day, we will march here in New York City and host satellite marches in Africa with the 1000 African Women Network signs. Africa has many issues they face and it is sad that the African communities here and abroad continue to struggle to for help. They are constantly searching for resources and financial support to tackle issues impacting their communities and countries the health disparities, education, employment, economic, gender equality. I believe that it is our right, your right, to voice your concerns as an ambassador of 1000 African women network to ask your leaders, politicians and decisions makers to begin paying more attention to the growing issues and needs of Africans here and abroad.

I would like to thank the National Black Theater for allowing us to host this wonderful event here in the heart of Harlem. Right now, most CSW59 events are happening downtown not far from the UN, but you know what I said to the board? We are staying right here in Harlem with our event. The people of uptown need to hear the UN ISSUES and be part of the solution just like I'm calling all African Francophone countries to stand up and be part of the solution, to help improve the conditions of the people, women, girls and youth as well as the entire families around the globe.

Thank you for coming out tonight to support us. I'm positive that you will leave this event empowered with knowledge surrounding issues ravaging women, girls and youth in Africa.

Please stay for the dinner reception and to have a taste of our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cake.





**His Honorable Pierre Wafo and Executive Director Clarisse Mefotso Fall & Mr. Africa USA Host of the CSW59 with AHC Honorary Board member Malick Mamadou Fall**





**AHC CSW59 Forum Conference Speakers**  
 March 13, 2015 - National Black Theater, New York

 Mme Marcantine Tawembi Ndjeka- president/CEO	 Ms. Jean Louis, Model , Writer and Psychologist	 President/CEO Enfance Joyeuse du Cameroon AHC Honoree Board Member
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# CSW59 FORUM

AHC IN SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE STATUS AT THE ECOSOC AT THE UNITED NATIONS

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Friday, March 13, 2015, National Black Theater, NY from 3pm-6pm. Visit [www.africahope.org](http://www.africahope.org)





### **Honorable Pierre Wafo, President of Enfance Joyeuse Du Cameroun**

L'Enfance Joyeuse du Cameroun est un mouvement d'action post et périscolaire pour l'enfance et l'adolescence à but non lucratif fondé en 1957 par l'instituteur NGOUCHEME YEYAP Israël .Très vite, le mouvement prend de l'ampleur, au point d'atteindre en 1983, sa vitesse de croisière avec notre élection comme Président National. Membre de la FIEEA (Fédération Internationale pour les Echanges Educatifs d'Enfants et d'Adolescents), l'EJC en tant qu'association centrée sur le développement et la promotion de la jeunesse camerounaise s'est fixé pour objectif majeur de contribuer à un encadrement efficace et efficient des jeunes pendant leur temps libre afin de les éloigner de la rue meurtrière.

C'est assurément, à la faveur de la noblesse des idéaux qui sous-tendent l'action de l'EJC que notre mouvement a été reconnu d'utilité publique par décret présidentiel, une consécration qui nous mène à l'âge d'or ! .La soixantaine bien entamée, l'EJC, suivant la dynamique insufflée par le Chef de l'Etat, Son Excellence Paul BIYA, s'est lancée dans de multiples chantiers, dans le dessein de porter aux masses juvéniles, de réels motifs de fierté et de bonheur. Aussi est-elle présente dans des domaines où son expertise est requise. Et, convaincus que le chemin de l'émergence passe aussi par l'éducation à la culture citoyenne, nous avons fait du diptyque « civisme » et « intégration nationale » l'un des chevaux de Troie de l'Emergence.

Aujourd'hui, l'Enfance Joyeuse du Cameroun est solidement implantée au sein du triangle national. Chacune de nos régions possède un comité chapeauté par une équipe dynamique et dynamisante.

Des structures d'encadrement, modernes et humanisées, sont à l'image de la notoriété d'un mouvement dont le ramage se rapporte au plumage. Association citoyenne d'importance majeure, l'Enfance Joyeuse du Cameroun ne saurait mener



une vie en vase clos. C'est ainsi que, de manière permanente, nous sommes invités de grands forums d'échanges sur le continent africain, en Europe et en Amérique. A titre d'illustration, en 2014, l'EJC a été présente lors des manifestations marquant le 70<sup>ème</sup> anniversaire des Francas à Amiens, avant d'être honorée par l'ONU à travers ECOSOC. Des lauriers qui ne trompent guère.

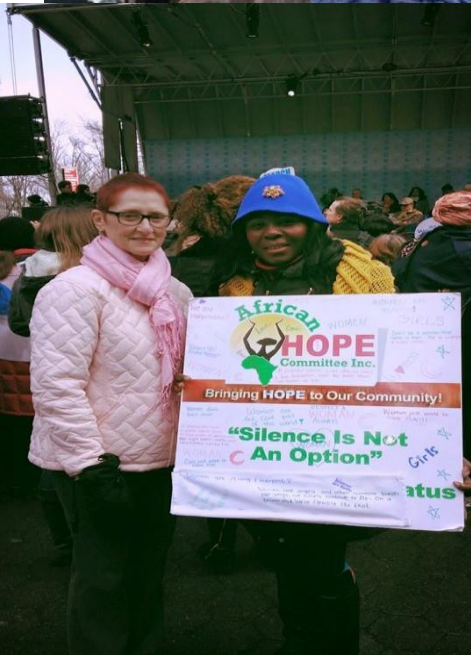


African Hope Committee, Honorary Board member, Mr. Pierre Wafo, Terrylynn Smith, Board vice chair, Anatole Toukam, Global Project Director and Clarisse Mefotso Fall, Executive Director at the United Nations for a meeting on Sustainable Development

## African Hope Committee welcomed delegations from Cameroon for the CSW59, Commission on the Status of women 2015 at the United Nations in New York, March 9 to 20.



**March for Gender Equality and Women's Rights at the UN Head Quarters on March 8, 2015 with Madame Soon-Young Yoon, President of CSW, UN Secretary General & First Lady of New York gave remarkable speeches on Human Rights.**



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Over 80 members have registered as General Members!!!!!!

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Membership!!!!



## MEET OUR PROUD MEMBERS



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Our Gold, Silver and Bronze Members!!!

## Annual Sponsor Benefits:

- Recognized with logo placement or name of the institutions or corporation on event fliers.
- Logo included in the organization newsletters and news releases- Recognition during public announcements.
- Logo is placed on AHC website-Recognition made at our annual events-Receive AHC pin that symbolizes the Network

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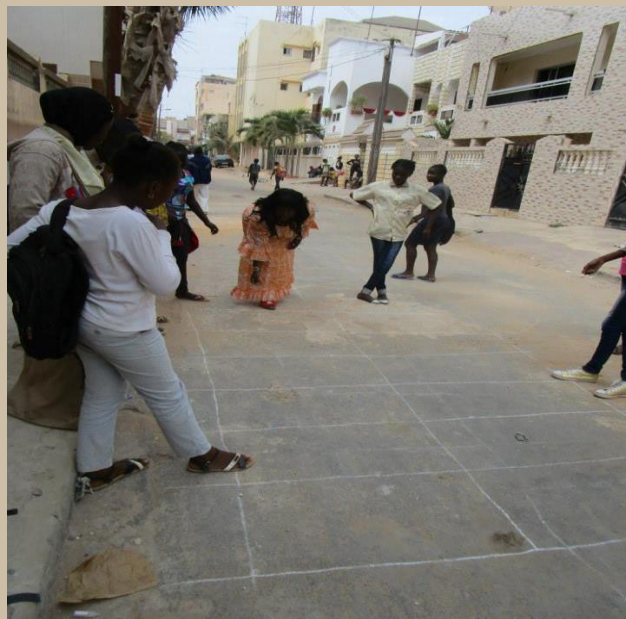
**Find out about the 1000 African Women Network International & Local Membership at AHC. As a Member you will be part of a local or an international network of Women Entrepreneurs and individuals. You will be part of a global leadership program of AHC across three continents, and more. Meet AHC Members Mrs. Tawembi from Congo, CEO and Founder of FMPH, now a President and managing Director of the Network in Congo working to empower women and girls !!!!!**

# MEDJO CREATION COLLECTIONS COUTURE



A trip to Senegal, Dakar to empower men, women and youth to become entrepreneurs. AHC, Executive Director, Clarisse Mefotso Fall traveled to Dakar this year February 2015 to put together a sewing center that will allow women to work and earn income in order to become economically independent

**Clarisse Mefotso Fall, Executive Director visited a local school in Dakar and on her way out, met a group of young girls playing on the street and joined them. This reminds her of her childhood in Cameroon. Let Empower young girls just by showing them that they matter in our society.**



**The power of a woman is buried in her heart. Confidence is key to success. I see every single woman and girls as a successful human being in life. – But the success will only take place when she has been given the confidence she needs and seen as a beautiful or pretty girl since her childhood and even before her puberty.**

*Clarisse Mefotso Fall, Author*

# JOIN OUR BOOKS DRIVE FOR AFRICA

**AHC Global Project collects, sorts, ships and distributes books to all ages in Africa. Since last year, We have shipped books to Cameroon, Senegal and Nigeria. Education is key to success!!!**



**Meeting with one of the top Officials of Senegal,,Honorable Diop. Making arrangements to take books to Senegal in the region of Thiess. Changing and transforming lives is our mission at AHC, We are very proud to continue to fulfill our mission through generous people like His Honorable Diop, CBS and others providing these books. ---Khuraira Musa Cosmetics takes kids books to Zainab Memorial School located in Rukuba-Bassa, Jos in Plateau States of Nigeria. As she said " They are our pride, you and I Through your continuous support whether with purchase of my products or the use of my services will continue to serve our children"**



## MANHATTAN BOROUGH PRESIDENT GAYLE BREWER SUPPORTS THE AFRICAN COMMUNITY IN NEW YORK



Manhattan Borough President Gayle Brewer recently created an African Task Force at her office to bring African leaders in New York to discuss issues that could have negative and positive on Africans living in Manhattan and in the City. As described Clarisse Mefotso Fall, Executive Director it is a great Honor to be among leaders that work to fight to improve the lives of underserved. Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer Grand Opening of her new Northern Manhattan Office in Harlem Store front and be more accessible to the community .This office will serve the community better with access to city services and assistance on housing, health, benefits, seniors, economic development, immigration, environmental, education, quality of life and many and more. Manhattan Borough President Board Reception at the Natural History Museum! !!!New York took place on June 15 . Clarisse Mefotso Fall, Executive Director attended with the summer intern Sibone Phiry from Engalnd. Clarisse Mefotso Fall is a panelist, reviewing most of community board members applications, , there are 12 community boards consisting of 50 members in each. Early this year, we reviewed applications and interviewed over 1200 member, This is called Civic Duties! !!!



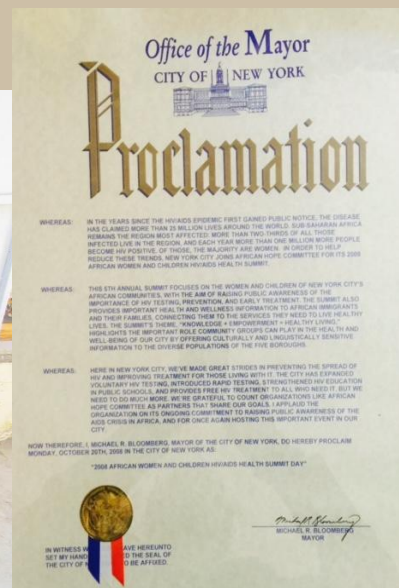
## About African Hope Committee

As a not-for-profit and United Nations accredited non-governmental organization, African Hope Committee provides an invaluable service to the community.

Among our health and wellness education services, African Hope Committee is a safe place for women and girls to come for knowledge and counseling concerning subjects that remain underrepresented in the immigrant community. Adding to our repertoire of services is helping new immigrant achieve their desired status in the United States can be an overwhelming process. AHC works side by side with clients, helping them realize their desired status in the US. Our clients become happy, healthy and contributing members of our great nation.

African Hope Committee chooses to educate primarily. Before rendering any services, AHC has a frank conversation with our clients educating them about the complexities of the journey ahead. We assess mental and physical health. If they need further guidance outside of our purview they are referred to our supportive network of service providers in the West Harlem Community.

The United States can be an incredible transition for many immigrants and African Hope Committee realizes that there is a gap in teaching our new brothers and sisters. Whether the conversation be about depositing a check in the ATM or how to eat healthy on a shoe string budget, AHC is there to educate and empower.



## CLEAN DRINKING WATER FOR MENDJO VILLAGE, WEST CAMEROON AHC WELCOMES YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO BUILD WATER FOUNTAINS BY 2016



The Global Mission of African Hope Committee, Inc is to eradicate poverty and empower poor communities through sustainable access to economic opportunities, education, health and WASH (water, sanitation, hygiene)

### *Did you know?*

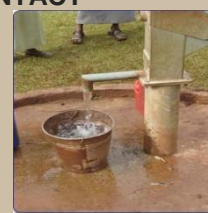
- 748 million people still do not have access to safe drinking water; roughly 1 in 10 of the world's population
- 2.5 Billion people do not have adequate access to safe disposal of human waste and lack of hygiene practices to prevent disease
- 500,000 thousand children die every year from diarrhea caused by unsafe water and poor sanitation- 1400 children a day ( 1 every minute) from preventable water related diseases- more die from AIDS, Malaria and Measles combined

### **A Hand-Up, Not a Hand-Out**

Poverty is the lack of: Access to clean drinking water' sanitation and hygiene, education, health, leadership, economic opportunities, sustainability and equity between men, women and the sick

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