



## HIV/AIDS History Banner Participant Notes

1930-1950

- No scientific proof
- If the cure is ever found that ē end of humanity...

1959

- Death of adult male, Democratic Republic of Congo, attributed (respectively) to AIDS

1975-1981

- Thought curable in only a matter of time. Strong faith in medical science
- Alas! More jobs as if stats. on after all
- We celebrated the end of small pox only to see the rise of HIV

1982

- Did not believe with warning that it affects the whole world

1983

- First case in Tanzania
- If the cure is not found within the next 5 years then its bye bye to this wonderful world to join my departed brothers or sisters. My status was obvious. Please scientists save the world from perishing.

1984

- First case of AIDS diagnosed in Kenya
- First appreciated how quickly AIDS was spreading in Zimbabwe when the DMO in Cufu found that patients were on the increase
- First case diagnosed in Zambia
- First head of HIV/AIDS then association with blood donation. As a student...
- First case diagnosed in Kenya
- First person ... (illegible)..in Kenya

1985

- First HIV case in Malawi
- Diagnosed HIV+

1986

- First case diagnosed in Nigeria 1986 (LAGOS)
- First AIDS case diagnosed in Malawi
- First case diagnosed in Namibia
- First case diagnosed in Ethiopia

1987

- Experienced first case in my family. Sister diagnosed with TB put on strong drug which wasted body tissue
- Uganda government openly accepted the country was experiencing case of HIV/AIDS. Task force put in place
- Family AIDS Caring Trust, Zimbabwe was formed
- PLWA, PLUTAYA in Uganda disclosed HIV status

1988

- National HIV/AIDS policy approved in Ethiopia

1990

- First support groups in Zimbabwe
- WAMATA formed
- First case of AIDS
- National AIDS Council formed (Zimbabwe)
- Test HIV+ Join KAS
- Formed the Zimbabwe National Network of PLWHA (ZNNP+) with 12 support groups

1991

- My partner committed suicide, freeing me to go public with my + status
- Namibia Network of Aids Service Organizations, Namibia is formed – NANASO
- Met my first AIDS pt. in Peoria IL.

1992

- Learned about HIV at 25
- My cousin's wife died of AIDS
- Started the centre in Harawe
- Learned about HIV/AIDS workshop presentation by PPAZ
- Deaths in our village due to HIV/AIDS, but still referred to as long illness

1993

- Women fighting AIDS in Kenya
- Became founder member of ICW

1994

- Tested for HIV. Family/Reactive. Found HIV+

1995

- Received our first funding for the Centre and ZNNP+
- Tested first time
- Went to Ethiopia and fell in love with the people

1996

- My elder brother dies 8/6/96
- Research of impact of HIV at household level especially children (OVC)

1997

- My sister finally died of the virus and left her one and only surviving daughter. She is now (2006) in college. I support her

- My uncle and his four wives died after he received an infected blood during surgery. Left 19 orphans. Grace...
- Lost best friend to AIDS—now I believe I could get infected!
- Zambia Interfaith Networking Group on HIV and AIDS (ZINGO) established to assist FBOs across all faiths in Zambia to get involved in addressing the challenges of HIV/AIDS with support from organizations like PCI and individuals like Robie and Karen
- Trained by Catholic Diocese ... (illegible)... Zambia popular theatre arts AIDS prevention/local languages ICE/IEC material production
- I went for UCT with nervousness
- My second brother dies
- My first HIV+ friend
- My adopted son tested HIV- hooray!

1998

- TE work 1998 ESTAS wish NGO a HIV/AIDS on older people in Tanga Region
- Research in Zambia on impact of first OVC projected funded by USAID and implemented by PCI
- New start of life with HIV joined International Community of Women Living with HIV
- First encounter with HIV when my kid sister tested + in USA

1999

- Kenya announced AIDS as a national disaster
- First contact with HIV+ person
- December – HIV/AIDS declared national disaster by the President of Kenya National AIDS Council formed

2000

- NCM – The church in Zambia established the HIV/AIDS ministry. Each local church developed HIV/AIDS program.
- Tanzania commission of AIDS
- Inauguration of the first support group in the Eastern Nigeria
- Lifeline plus foundation support groups
- Reformed church in Zambia starts HIV/AIDS activities through its 158 congregations

2001

- Movement of Men Against AIDS in Kenya (MMAAK) formed
- MMAAK established
- My cousin died of AIDS
- 8 members of staff working in 9 hospitals died in 9 months period
- Lost my brother who was a bread winner for the whole family. His 16 children have no proper support.
- Started working with HIV/AIDS nutrition

2002

- (illegible)... by a colera and survived a 9 week course “despite” HIV
- Involved in the production of a BBO/FAO documentary entitled “Saving Seeds of Hunger”. An HIV/AIDS documentary on agriculture and HIV/AIDS in Zambia and Mozambique. Now in 5 major languages.

- One of my best friends (HIV+) died of TB after failing to seek treatment because he assumed he has AIDS
- 2 nephews died in six months time one after the other leaving behind children below the age of 1 and young wives without regular income to live on and an old uncle of 87 of age and a blind wife or (their mother) with grief and sorrow. This has been a shock and deep sorrow to the whole relatives and most to me. That is when I felt I was hurt by HIV/AIDS.

2003

- Network for PLWLA founded in Rwanda
- ZINHO puts in place its secretariat of the FBDS encouraged by interfaith activities particularly 77G and the open forums. Its vision is “AIDS free Zambia”
- Home based care established by WADEN to care for PLWHA – PABA
- Open disclosure of sero-status in Enugu state by PLWHA of Lifeline Plus Foundation
- Cousin Christopher diagnosed HIV+
- Concern Universal, Malawi: developed HIV/AIDS workplace policy
- Had the gift of going to Kenya to share my expertise of HIV/AIDS
- My wife died of AIDS
- WHO 3 x 5 Initiative
- TEWORCE conduct PLA research on the impact of HIV/AIDS on older people in Tanzania

2004

- Started ARVs. RH – July – the first ARVs site in Tanzania at Muhimbili: National Hospital started to offer freely
- My young brother confirmed HIV+ and convinced of ARVs
- Zero-sentinel survey in Namibia shows a drop in number of + mothers
- My brother and his wife died in a spell of 10 days from each two kids orphaned
- My sister dies
- Zimbabwe’s first National HIV/AIDS conference in June 2004
- One of my nephews and 2 cousins died of AIDS in 2004 and I have devoted myself to work here seeing the disease failed

2005

- Got job out of it
- TEWOREC 2005 Project Concern International HIV/AIDS older people in Africa AFRO39
- Called to do counseling to my young sister who was HIV+
- Awareness ...(illegible)...for street children
- UCT for staff
- Collaboration with ART provider
- Cousin Christopher HIV+ ran half marathon
- National prevalence comes down to 6 percent – Kenya
- Launching of Nigeria’s first indigenous HIV/AIDS strategic plan

2006

- Visibility and voice of women living with HIV recognized!
- ARV available in Namibian hospitals
- My young sister confirmed HIV+ and put on ARVs

- ZINGIO develops new strategy with its vision as “competent interfaith community addressing HIV/AIDS by 2011”
- HIV/AIDS progressed fast to full blown AIDS because of poor nutrition
- Support groups were formed for PLWH to provide care and support
- Iranian professor claims to have cure for HIV/AIDS, arrested and convicted, but clients protest –Uganda
- Birth of African HIV/AIDS and food security advocacy coalition
- Ethiopian head of state shown commitment for the first time
- Rwanda – the health and demographic survey held on all groups of age revealed that HIV prevalence is 3% in Rwanda population
- I hope the Catholic Church will be more clear/sensitive to the needs of discordant couples and condoms
- Arrived Tanzania to work in HIV/AIDS prevention
- Make sure that strategies have to be in place to start seeing some changes in combating HIV/AIDS and food insecurity at the household level

2007

- HIV vaccine available
- Hope to find lasting solution to this problem

2010

- I hope we have lost forever the “A” word and only talk about HIV. Me too!
- We will all adopt the three “p”s of prevention of infection, progression, death. And I can retire!
- Reduced HIV/AIDS infection rates and vulnerable groups including orphans

2015

- Achieve food nutrition security