

Ghana Homeopathy Project Newsletter

Welcome
to our new
format newsletter where one aspect of
our work is
highlighted
each time



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Report by Lyn Clark

Kumasi Homeopathy Study Group - KHSG

...inspiring vision for homeopathy in Kumasi and Ghana.

The study group continues into the second year of its four year Diploma Course and the student feedback is very positive.



KHSG is a vibrant group of students who hold an inspiring vision of homeopathy in Kumasi and Ghana. The group is made up of a variety of individuals from a diversity of backgrounds, all keen to become practitioners and see homeopathy flourish. As they observe their teachers and mentors taking cases, they see how valuable homeopathy can be in many medical and life-issue situations.



BONSU BOATEN

is not only a student but also a founding member & Ghana Coordinator of KHSG.



AKOSUA AFRIYIE DUKU

47yrs Mother of five

"Homeopathy is unique and I really want to learn it."



SOLOMON BOADU 29yrs Emergency Nurse.

"I want to learn homeopathy and use it as my career after the four year course."



MAAME AFUA TAKYIAW 25yrs "I love homeopathy and want to

learn about it."



YAA SERWAA AMPAAFO 20yrs "I want to be

homeopath."

a great

The group meets twice weekly for classes, webinars and clinical practice. At this stage of the course, clinical practice takes the form of Kumasi students observing the cases of patients that they have brought to their individual mentor being taken live via Skype. It is working very well.

A library and pharmacy have been created with generous donations from UK homeopaths. Our thanks go them and to Serwaa who spent many hours setting up and organising the library and pharmacy for us. We



ship out books and remedies and carry out more books in our luggage quotas when we are able. Luckily, airlines to Ghana

Akosua and Lyn (taking the picture) receive a shipment of homeopathic remedies to add to the pharmacy

allow two bags of 23 kilos each - that is double the usual airline allowance.



MUSAH ABDUL-AZIZ

26yrs Nutritionist

"I want to use it as my career after the study of homeopathy."



ANTJE ENGELKE RAMANI

33yrs, Mother of four

"I would love to use Homeopathy to unite it with my nutrition study and research in healing itself to help the family and all others who like to be helped."

Award Ceremony

Veda, Jacqueline and Lyn (taking the picture) in the library, at the Certificate Level Award Ceremony where each student received: a certificate, a free Helios remedy kit, Richard Pitt's Travelling Homeopath book and a book of their choice from the library.

We have also been able to gift every student with three core books:

- 1. Materia Medica (Phatak or Boerike)
- 2. Repertory (Kent)
- 3. Organon



NIMINA GAUSU

30yrs, Fast Track Student





Mentoring

Each student is allocated his or her own individual mentor to work with for the duration of the course.

Because each student works with his or her own mentor on a one-to- one basis, there is an apprenticeship aspect incorporated into the course. This is unusual in any course and students really value it. Individual learning needs can be met well. Student and mentor can run the relationship in the way they mutually agree and which is unique to them. Students' pride in the arrangement has been commented on by visiting teachers.

Mentoring contd

Everyone in the course is supported in various ways. The mentors work in pairs (mentoring partners); the students work in pairs (study buddies); and the mentor of each student's study buddy is also involved in reading homework and therefore has a supportive role beyond their own individual mentor/mentee relationship.

In this way, no-one has to work alone and this fosters maintaining good standards, creative collaboration and much shared learning. Mentors also meet during the year, on line, to update and discuss their experiences.

Teachers this year have included Jacqueline Smith (GHP Coordinator), Veda Alberti (GHP Chair), Lyn Clark (KHSG Coordinator) and Julian Jonas (from the USA). Many of the mentors and other colleagues have expressed an interest to visit. The students are always so warm and welcoming and keen to learn from visiting teachers.



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Student Clinic and Cases

The student clinic is held locally and also over Skype with individual mentors. At this stage students only observe cases and have a maximum of four cases each. They do everything except take the case: they arrange the appointments, create case-notes and make up the remedies so that they begin to experience being a practitioner.

When a volunteer teacher is visiting, more patients can be seen because there are many people wanting to come to the clinic for treatment. Students are able to treat minor ailments and first aid situations based on their certificate-level training. They have received training to discern which cases are appropriate to treat and which need to be referred to their mentor or to a visiting teacher.

Vision

This group of students will graduate in 2019. They have all expressed an interest in setting up a local clinic and launching a college. This year (and every year in future) they will teach a short certificate course to prepare themselves for this.

Mentors will mentor this development stage and in time the group will create something fully self-sustaining.

Homeopathy can have a bright future in Ghana as people become more aware of its valuable role to play in healthcare.

GHP Round Up

Other activities supported by Homeopathy in Africa through the Ghana Homeopathy Project also continue to do well.

- PISHAM has several students close to graduation this year and a new intake of fresh enthusiastic students for the academic year 15/16. Read the feature on PISHAM in our Summer 2016 Newsletter to find out the details
- Coming up in the Autumn 2016 Newsletter will be an update on the new Homeopathic Centre currently being built in the Volta Region by Emperor (Mafi Seva Director) as a legacy to the area
- Our Mental Health Research Pilot is complete and analysis is under way: more news Winter 2016

Other News

Founding member Angelika Metzger was in India in February on another well- organised study trip with Drs Kalyan and Kalishankar Bhattacharyea of Kolkata – and, thanks to An Debyser's Award, one of the Pisham 2nd year students was able to be among those accompanying her. More in the Summer 2016 issue ...

Our founder, Linda Shannon, has been invited to present at the Society of Homeopaths Conference in September 2016 and we hope to make it a team effort. If you're going, look out for GHP and come and say hello. More details in the Autumn 2016 Newsletter.

Contact us at: info@ghanahomeopathy.org Also see our website: ghanahomeopathy.org

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