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Steven Bovio, O.D.
Gulf Coast Eye Center
3691 Webber Street
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Dear Dr. Bovio,

My name is George Moyo. In 2012, I became one of the first ever locally trained optometrists in the history of my country, Malawi.

It was such a big occasion that the President, Joyce Banda, attended our graduation ceremony to celebrate the milestone for healthcare in our country. I was awarded first in my class, an honor that I am very proud of.



George at the graduation ceremony in 2012.

I will never forget that during my orientation four years ago, I was told that I was Mzuzu University's first ever optometry student. Being the top student of the graduating class is a great memory as well!

I chose optometry as I wanted to be involved in the medical field, but I was always particularly interested in eyes. I encourage anyone who has a desire to serve humanity to study optometry, because it is a noble profession and a calling.

It is very exciting to know that as a graduate, I am now in a position to provide eye care services to those most in need in my community. I also wish to continue my studies in optometry even further.

I wish to thank you and others around the world for supporting the School of Optometry in Malawi, by donating to Optometry Giving Sight. I wish to assure you that your support is well invested.

We promise we will not let you down!

Kind regards,

George Moyo
Optometry graduate
Malawi, Africa

George Moyo, Rodney Zimba, Eric Ndaule, Samuel Chagwadira and Mark Nyundo completed the newly initiated four-year degree from the Malawi School of Optometry at Mzuzu University. The School of Optometry was established in 2008 to tackle the crisis of avoidable blindness and vision impairment in disadvantaged communities in Southern Africa; in support of Vision 2020. It is a project of the Brien Holden Vision Institute; Mzuzu University and the Malawi College of Health Sciences, with funding support from Optometry Giving Sight.

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