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Dear Friend,

Today, doctors, medical students and photographers left for South Sudan carrying with them a brand-new oxygen concentrator and other medical supplies. They will be spending 10 days working at the Duk Lost Boys Clinic. Dr. Dave Reed, Dr. Barb Connor and their team will



join Don Cross who has already been at the Clinic for the past few weeks setting up our new cold chain system.

Needless to say, I am excited for this wonderful group of people and forever indebted to them for generously volunteering their time to help the people of South Sudan. I look forward to receiving their trip updates and final trip report on their return as I know that hundreds and hundreds of Sudanese will benefit from their time spent at the Clinic. Stay tuned for updates on their travels in the March e-newsletter.

Truly, when one person joins with another and thousands of others, lives can be changed and dreams fulfilled.

Sincerely,

John Dau

What's Up?

Sometimes a Solid Hope... Weighs Less than 15 lbs.

Coming Up

See John Dau in Person

3/16- **Maryville, MS**

3/26- **Boston, MA**

4/1- **Syracuse, NY**

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Transforming Healthcare in S. Sudan

- Dr. Reed & Dr. Connor's Medical Team will distribute 1,400 mosquito nets to every hut in the local village as part of a Malaria prevention campaign.

- The team will also do mass administration of Vitamin A, which helps to prevent blindness.

Did You Know...

...at least one person in nearly every household in South Sudan has signs of

Acute respiratory infections cause more than 2 million deaths per year in children less than 5 years old primarily in developing countries like South Sudan where people are not immunized. These deaths are a consequence of oxygen deficiency, but oxygen therapy is lifesaving for many children with these acute respiratory infections. Newborns, which are prone to oxygen deficiency, often need supplemental oxygen after birth. While oxygen is one of the most essential and widely used treatments in the U.S., it is rarely available as a therapy in developing countries.



Today, thanks to the generosity of a donor in Minnesota and [SeQual Technologies](#), a state-of-the-art oxygen concentrator is coming to the Duk Lost Boys Clinic at the beginning of March.

An oxygen concentrator is an electric machine which increases the concentration of normal room air from 20 percent up to 95 percent oxygen. A single oxygen concentrator can be shared by several children simultaneously. Oxygen concentrators are an alternative to compressed [oxygen](#) tanks which need to be refilled and are expensive to transport. They are much more cost-effective while providing equal therapeutic benefits.

John Dau's 2009 Sudan Trip Report Now Available Online

John Dau recently returned from his winter trip to Sudan from December 7 to January 15. While in Sudan, he furthered Foundation relations with the Sudanese government and other non-profits in the region. John visited the Duk Lost Boys Clinic to personally monitor the improvements that need to be made in order to serve as many patients as possible. [Click here](#) to read John's full recount of his trip.



Supporting Our Cause

Laura Ponticello Sows Seeds of Change in S. Sudan

trachoma, one of the highest rates ever recorded for the blinding eye disease?

...that you can join JDSF's cause on [Facebook](#)?

...that you can do your online shopping at [Goodshop.com](#) and a portion of your bill will go to JDSF at no extra charge to you?

...that you can [invite John Dau to speak](#) at your corporation or school?

Why Do You Support JDSF?

"I am so moved by the tremendous needs in Sudan and other places in Africa, and John's determination to bring assistance and a better life to those left behind in his home village."

- *First time donor*

"You're amazing and your journey says more than words can say."

- *First time donor*

"I cannot travel to Sudan myself, but I still want to help. I want to never become immune to the cries of help from people who need my help the most. I want to use my money to make someone else's life better."

- *Recurring Donor*

After hearing about the work the Duk Lost Boys Clinic is doing, Laura Ponticello of [Laura's List: Books for Women](#) was inspired to help JDSF sow seeds of change, plant dreams and grow hope in Southern Sudan. Laura designed eco-friendly totes that are multifunctional and perfectly suited for the farmer's market, grocery shopping and as a gardening tote. They are royal blue with Laura's List gal



imprint, made of recycled fibers and are large enough to handle quite a bit of stuff! A portion of each sale will support the Duk Lost Boys Clinic.

Bags can be purchased for \$9.50 at [Creekside Books and Coffeehouse](#) or send a check for \$12 including shipping and handling to Laura Ponticello c/o PO Box 206, Skaneateles, NY 13152.

If you have creative ideas for raising funds for the Duk Lost Boys Clinic, please contact info@johndaufoundation.org.

"No one should have to endure atrocities in the hands of other human beings."

- *First time donor*

***Tell us why you support
JDSF.***