



# A MAN ON A MISSION – TO MAKE THIS WORLD MORE INCLUSIVE

## VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

“If you think you are beaten, you are  
If you think you dare not, you don't,  
If you like to win, but you think you can't  
It is almost certain you won't.

Life's battles don't always go  
To the stronger or faster man,  
But soon or later the person who wins  
Is the person who thinks he can!”

**Leslie Noel Simonemme**  
**Project Control Services Senior Analyst,**  
**Accenture**

**I am a man with a mission.**

**<makes superman gesture-with one hand up>**

Hi! I am Leslie and I work with the Advanced Technology Centers in India at Accenture.

I want to help people learn sign language so that they can speak to those who are hearing impaired.

**Leslie was two when he partially lost his hearing due to illness.**

I was a trainer in the IT domain, when I met a senior leader.

He helped me recognize my true potential and encouraged me to join Accenture.

That was my turning point.

It has been over six years with Accenture, and an amazing journey full of learning.

**Leslie is a Project Management Officer working with one of Accenture's key clients**

My colleagues at Accenture have made **me feel equal and included** by learning sign language to communicate with me.

They join my work calls to lend a voice to my ideas.

<<gestures applause>>

With their endless support I have learnt and grown so much.

I even went on to complete my master's degree while working at Accenture.

<<Gestures: Applause. Thank you>>

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