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Dear Esteemed Young Visionaries,

The time has come for Africa's youth to rise and soar to new heights. History has never been silent about young people who dared the impossible and rewrote its chapters. Across the ages, we see visionaries who understood their purpose and harnessed the power of vision to transform lives. From Nelson Mandela to Kenneth Kaunda, from David to Joseph to Jesus, the story is the same, youthful dreamers have always been the spark that ignited transformation.

Even today, that legacy continues. Consider Patricia Kombo of Kenya, a young climate activist who founded the PaTree Initiative. By planting over 10,000 trees and championing environmental education, she earned global recognition as a UNCCD Land Hero. Her journey is proof that you are never too young to change your nation.

This edition of the power of sight calls every young African to rise. The next generation is watching and waiting for your courage, your vision, and your purpose. They are asking: Will you lead? Will you dream? Will you stand? Like the eagle, you were not created to remain grounded but to soar with clarity and precision. And just as the eagle rides the storm to rise higher, your greatest challenges can become the very winds that lift you toward destiny.

To inspire you further, we feature Hon. Chipoka Mulenga, a man whose life testifies to the power of vision. From humble beginnings to becoming Zambia's Minister of commerce and trade, his story declares that nothing is impossible for the one who dares to see beyond today's struggles into tomorrow's possibilities. His life is a testament to meticulous vision, resilience, and the ability to build lasting legacies.

As you turn these pages, may you be inspired to study the eagle's nature and uncover lessons that can reshape not only your life but also your community, your nation, and this great continent. Africa is ready. The world is watching. The question is no longer if we will rise, the only question is when.

*With vision and hope,
David Ntalasha Chisha
The Visionary*

AWAKENING THE GIANT

For centuries, Africa has been branded a land of promise without fulfillment, a continent rich in potential yet starved of manifestation. The problem is not that we lack talent, for our youth overflow with creativity and brilliance. It is not that we lack resources, for our soil carries treasures the world covets. It is not even that we lack opportunity, for doors are opening wider than ever before. The true crisis of our time is that we lack vision.

Without vision, institutions stumble, policies collapse, and nations drift in circles. Without vision, leaders falter, rising like sparks but fading like ashes. Even the most gifted individuals, full of possibility, often wither because they cannot see beyond the immediate. And Scripture, timeless as ever, warns us: "Where there is no vision, the people perish" (Proverbs 29:18).

Vision is not a luxury; it is the lifeline of destiny. It is the compass that gives direction to our steps and meaning to our struggles. Without it, we wander aimlessly. With it, we march with divine clarity toward the future God has already designed. Vision is the bridge between promise and possession, between dreams whispered in the night and legacies carved in the light.

Young Africans, this is your summons: write your vision. Etch it boldly on the tablet of your heart. Dare to declare what you will become tomorrow, even if today you stand small and unseen. Do not despise the days of humble beginnings. Visions may tarry, they may test your endurance, but when they speak, they thunder with the testimony of God's faithfulness and the reward of perseverance.

History does not lie. No nation has stumbled into greatness by accident; they rose because vision lifted them. Look at China, once a byword for poverty, now a powerhouse of industry and innovation. That transformation did not begin with wealth in hand, but with a vision in heart. If they could rise, Africa can rise and rise higher still.

But let us be clear: Africa's destiny will not be built by governments alone, nor by institutions bound in bureaucracy. It will be built by visionaries who dare to see beyond the limits of the present into the possibilities of the future. It will be forged by entrepreneurs who see factories where others see fields, by educators who see leaders in classrooms of forgotten children, by artists who paint new cultural narratives, by innovators who dare to create what the world has never seen.

Every young African who dreams with discipline, who writes with intention, who pursues with passion, becomes more than an individual success story, they become a brick in the cathedral of Africa's rising.

The truth remains: nations rise when individuals rise. Africa will not rise on slogans, but on visions written, guarded, and pursued with relentless faith. Write it. Declare it. Pursue it. Protect it. Because your vision is not just your personal roadmap, it is the torch that lights a continent.

So rise, African youth. Stand as architects of tomorrow. Let your vision burn brighter than fear, and let your purpose roar louder than doubt. For when you rise, Africa rises. And when Africa rises, the world will not merely watch, it will bow to the sound of destiny fulfilled.

THE POWER OF SIGHT

SEVEN STEPS FOR AFRICA'S YOUTH TO SOAR

Africa is bursting with promise, yet too often we have been told our story is one of lack; lack of opportunity, lack of resources, lack of support. The truth is, what looks like limitation is actually the launching pad for greatness. Some analysts estimate that Africa's untapped natural resources, energy, agriculture, and human capital combined could create a trillion-dollar economy, potentially doubling or tripling current GDP levels if strategic policies, innovation, and governance are prioritized. Africa has the resources, the talent, the land and most importantly, the youth: to become one of the wealthiest and most influential continents on Earth. And you, yes you, are the heartbeat of this transformation. Now is the time to rise, step boldly into your purpose, and take your place as a leader, innovator, and creator.

Here are seven steps to help you soar beyond limits, transform your life, and shape the Africa of tomorrow.

1. START PACKAGING YOUR GIFTS

You are your most important asset. Take time to discover your talents, sharpen your skills, and leverage your potential. Brand yourself. Present your gifts with confidence, because the world is waiting for what only you can offer. Self-awareness is the first step to influence and impact.

2. BE PURPOSE-DRIVEN

Purpose is your compass. It guides your decisions, fuels your passion, and aligns your actions with your destiny. When purpose leads, every step you take has meaning, direction, and impact. Before you chase opportunities, know why you run.

3. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES

Look around. Africa is full of untapped potential; agriculture, mining, technology, manufacturing, and creative industries. Identify needs, create solutions, and start producing. Don't wait for permission; the continent is a canvas for bold ideas. Every opportunity seized is a step toward transforming your future.

4. ENTER THE DIGITAL SPACE

Technology is the bridge to the future. Use digital tools to innovate, connect, and scale your impact. Mobile banking, e-commerce, online platforms, and tech solutions are opportunities to create wealth and influence like never before. The digital world is the new frontier, dare to explore it.



5. ENLIST YOURSELF FOR CONTINUOUS LEARNING

Africa's youth are its largest resource, but knowledge is what unlocks potential. Commit to lifelong learning; education, skills, leadership, and innovation. Growth never stops, and neither should you. Invest in yourself relentlessly; the skills you acquire today will shape the continent tomorrow.


6. HAVE THE COURAGE TO LEAD

Leadership is not a reward, it is a responsibility. Step into positions of influence, sit at the tables of decision-making, and lead from the front. Dare to do what others will not. Africa needs your vision, boldness, and bravery to transform communities, industries, and nations.

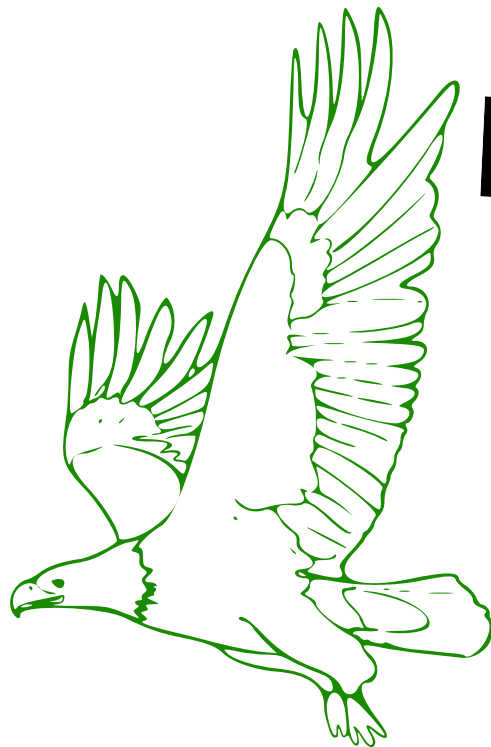
7. SOAR ON FAITH

Faith is the bridge from where you are to where you are meant to be. Step beyond fear, doubt, and limitations. Trust God's timing, obey His call, and move forward. Faith will turn your vision into reality, even when the path seems impossible.

The continent is waiting for you to rise, for your gifts to be revealed, for your courage to lead, and for your faith to soar. You were born for such a time as this. Don't let fear or limitation hold you back. Step boldly, dream audaciously, and take your place in shaping the Africa of tomorrow. The world is watching and your rise is inevitable.

An elephant is shown in profile on the left side of the frame, facing right. The background is a savanna landscape with rolling hills under a sunset sky with orange and blue tones. The text is centered in the middle of the image.

**VISION IS THE
ABILITY TO SEE WHAT
OTHERS OVERLOOK
AND BELIEVE IT
ENOUGH TO BUILD IT.**



DECISION CARD

"YOUR DREAMS ARE THE HEARTBEAT OF GOD'S PURPOSE."

Take a bold step toward the life you were created for. Don't let fear, doubt, or obstacles keep you from stepping into the extraordinary destiny God has planned for you. Now is the time to align your dreams with His purpose. Partner with God today, and watch your vision become a reality.

Start your destiny empowerment journey with this prayer:

"Dear God, I come before You, acknowledging my sins and my need for Your forgiveness. I believe in Your love and in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, who gave His life for my salvation. I accept You as my Lord and Savior, and I surrender my life to Your guidance and grace.

Please forgive my past, guide me in the present, and secure my future. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit, and help me follow Your will for my life.

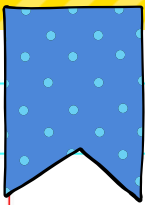
Today, I surrender my fears, doubts, and limitations to You. I ask for Your wisdom, guidance, and strength to step boldly into the destiny You have prepared for me. Help me to walk in faith, knowing that with You, all things are possible. I declare that my dreams are aligned with Your will, and I commit to partnering with You to make them a reality.

In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."

By praying this prayer you've accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, we encourage you to find a Bible-believing church and connect with us. We'd love to pray with you and support you on this journey. You can also join our Arise Connect Groups to nurture and grow your faith.

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How to Impact your Community

01

Identify a Community Challenge

Look around you. What are the pressing issues affecting your neighbors, friends, and families? List every challenge you see; poor sanitation, lack of youth programs, environmental concerns, or education gaps and choose one that resonates most deeply. This is your starting point. Register this challenge with a local organization or initiative, like Arise Magazine, to gain guidance and support.



Build Your Dream Team

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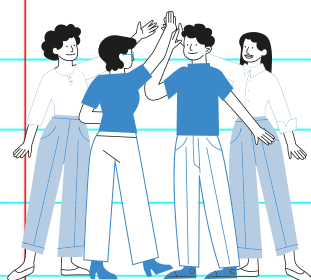
No change happens alone. Gather a small, committed group of 8–12 people who share your passion and vision. Meet regularly to brainstorm, plan, and develop creative solutions. Collaboration multiplies impact, and together you can create ideas bigger than any one person could achieve. Reach out to Arise Magazine for tools, resources, and mentorship to equip your group.



03

Advocate and Activate Change

Now it's time to act. Implement your plan, mobilize your community, and lead by example. Share your vision widely through social media, community events, and local networks to inspire others to join. Don't forget to approach leaders and influencers in your area; advocacy ensures your solution reaches the people who can help institutionalize lasting change.



Reflect and Scale

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After your first round of impact, reflect on what worked and what didn't. Celebrate wins, learn from challenges, and look for ways to expand your project to neighboring communities. True impact grows when it inspires more youth to rise and lead.



TO THE LEADERS OF AFRICA: REFINING AFRICA'S VISION.

We stand at a critical juncture in history, with a unique opportunity to define our continent's future. The world is watching, and the narrative of Africa is ours to write. For too long, our story has been told by others, often through a lens of struggle and deficit. It is time to refine our vision and brand Africa not as a continent of potential, but as a global leader in its own right. To achieve this, we must move beyond broad aspirations and commit to a clear, unified, and actionable vision. This vision must be a shared narrative that every nation can contribute to and benefit from, a brand built on the principles of clarity, focus, and purpose.

Our goal is to brand Africa as the Global Hub for Sustainable Innovation. To bring this vision to life, we must first agree on a single, compelling story. Our brand is not just about our past; it's about our future. Let us unite under a common identity of ingenuity, resilience, and progress. This narrative will allow us to showcase our diverse strengths while speaking with one powerful voice. Furthermore, we cannot be a jack-of-all-trades. Our vision must be laser-focused on areas where we can lead the world. I urge you to collectively identify and invest in strategic sectors such as renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, and digital technology. Let us set clear, measurable goals for example, becoming the global leader in solar energy production by 2040 and commit our policies and resources to achieving them.

Our greatest asset is our young, dynamic population, and our vision will remain an illusion without a deliberate, continent-wide investment in human capital. We must prioritize education, skills training, and entrepreneurship. Let us establish pan-African programs to support tech incubators and creative arts schools, empowering our youth to be the architects of this new brand. Finally, to attract the necessary investment and partnership, we must be a brand of trust and integrity. A vision of excellence must be underpinned by a commitment to strong, transparent governance. By fighting corruption and strengthening our legal frameworks, we will build a brand that is not only powerful but also reliable and ethical.

By embracing these steps, we can refine our vision from a distant dream to a tangible reality. Let us build a brand that not only sells our products but also tells our story, a story of a continent that has risen beyond its limits to become an indispensable leader for the world.



ENGINEERING GROWTH: THE LEADERSHIP JOURNEY OF HON. CHIPOKA MULENGA.

In a world where leadership is often defined by noise rather than impact, Hon. Chipoka Mulenga represents a refreshing narrative, one of quiet consistency, technical excellence, and visionary public service. Born on 10th November 1981, his journey is not merely a political story, but a powerful testament to how discipline, education, and purpose can shape national transformation.

FROM FOUNDATIONS TO PURPOSE

Raised with a passion for growth and discovery, Hon. Mulenga pursued his academic journey with intention. He earned a Bachelor of Commerce in Entrepreneurship, a Diploma in Surveying, and later advanced his expertise with a Master of Business Administration in Project Management from the University of Zambia, an uncommon yet powerful blend that merges business acumen, technical precision, and strategic leadership. His background as a surveyor is deeply symbolic; it reflects a man trained to measure, map, and build skills that would later define his leadership approach. Beyond academics, his personal interests; farming, reading, sightseeing, and sports, paint the picture of a well-rounded leader grounded in both intellectual curiosity and practical living. These are not merely hobbies; they are expressions of a mindset that values growth, exploration, and balance.

FROM CORPORATE EXCELLENCE TO NATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Before stepping into government, Hon. Mulenga built a solid career in the mining sector, one of Zambia's most critical industries. Serving as a Technical Superintendent, he gained firsthand experience in operations, strategy, and industrial systems. This exposure gave him a rare advantage: he understood the engine of Zambia's economy not from theory, but from practice. It is this blend of technical expertise and entrepreneurial thinking that positioned him for greater responsibility.

TRANSFORMING CHINGOLA CENTRAL CONSTITUENCY

As Member of Parliament for Chingola, Hon. Mulenga has not only represented his people, he has actively transformed the Chingola Central Constituency through focused development and responsive leadership. His impact is reflected in:

- Improved infrastructure and community development initiatives
- Enhanced support for local businesses and economic activity
- Increased attention to youth empowerment and job creation
- Strengthened engagement between leadership and the community

His work on the ground demonstrates a key leadership principle: true influence begins at the grassroots. By prioritizing tangible development and community upliftment, he has turned representation into real, measurable progress.

LEADING ZAMBIA'S ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION

Today, as Minister of Commerce, Trade, and Industry, Hon. Mulenga stands at the center of Zambia's economic transformation agenda. His role goes far beyond administration, it is about shaping the future.

He provides policy direction in key areas such as:

- Industrialisation and economic diversification
- Investment promotion and business growth
- Competition and consumer protection
- Standards, quality assurance, and industrial research

At the heart of his leadership is a clear mission: to enhance the contribution of trade and industry to sustainable socio-economic development. His work is not just about policies on paper, but about creating real opportunities; jobs, businesses, and pathways for Zambians to thrive.

A VISION ANCHORED IN TRANSFORMATION

Serving under a government committed to economic recovery and job creation, Hon. Mulenga's mandate is both urgent and strategic. His approach emphasizes:

- Building resilient economic systems
- Strengthening partnerships across sectors
- Driving structural transformation
- Empowering local industries to compete globally

His leadership reflects a deep understanding that national growth is not accidental, it is engineered through deliberate strategy, collaboration, and execution.

THE MIND OF A LIFELONG LEARNER

Even at the height of his career, Hon. Mulenga continues to invest in his personal growth. Holding a Master of Business Administration in Project Management from the University of Zambia, he embodies a powerful truth: great leaders never stop learning. His journey reflects a mindset grounded in continuous improvement, where achievement does not mark an endpoint, but a new level of responsibility to grow, refine, and lead with greater impact. It is a compelling reminder that leadership is not a destination, but a lifelong discipline.

THE INSPIRATION BEHIND THE STORY

What makes Hon. Chipoka Mulenga's journey truly inspirational is not just his title, but the path he took to get there. From surveying land to shaping national policy and transforming communities like Chingola Central, his story reminds us that:

- Your background does not limit your future, it prepares you for it
- Technical skills, when combined with vision, can drive national impact
- Leadership is built on consistency, not shortcuts
- Real leadership transforms lives at both national and local levels
- Growth is a lifelong commitment

Hon. Chipoka Mulenga represents a generation of African leaders redefining governance through competence, vision, and integrity. His journey is a call to action for young professionals, entrepreneurs, and leaders across the continent, to rise with purpose, invest in their growth, and contribute meaningfully to society. Because in the end, true leadership is not about position, it is about building something that lasts.



A LEADER BUILT THROUGH PURPOSE.

What makes Hon. Chipoka Mulenga's story truly compelling is not merely the office he holds, but the intentional path he built to get there. His journey is one of discipline refined through experience, excellence forged through hard work, and purpose expressed through service. From the precision of surveying and the demands of the mining industry to transforming Chingola Central Constituency and now helping shape Zambia's economic direction his life reflects a leader who did not wait for opportunity; he prepared for it. Grounded in a Bachelor of Commerce in Entrepreneurship and a Diploma in Surveying, and strengthened by a Master of Business Administration in Project Management from the University of Zambia, his academic journey mirrors his leadership philosophy: build depth, then expand impact. Too often, we see leaders at the top and assume the journey was easy. But Hon. Mulenga's rise reminds us that true leadership is constructed over time through consistency, competence, and an unwavering commitment to growth.

As I reflect on his journey, here is a message to every dreamer:

Master your foundation before you seek elevation: Before influence comes preparation. Hon. Mulenga built his expertise across technical and business disciplines, proving that lasting leadership stands on competence. What you consistently develop today will carry you tomorrow.

Make impact where you are, not where you wish to be: Long before national recognition, he transformed Chingola Central through practical development and community-focused leadership. Never underestimate where you are, your current environment is your proving ground.

Let your work introduce you before your title does: Credibility is earned through results. Focus on creating value, solving problems, and delivering impact, recognition will follow.

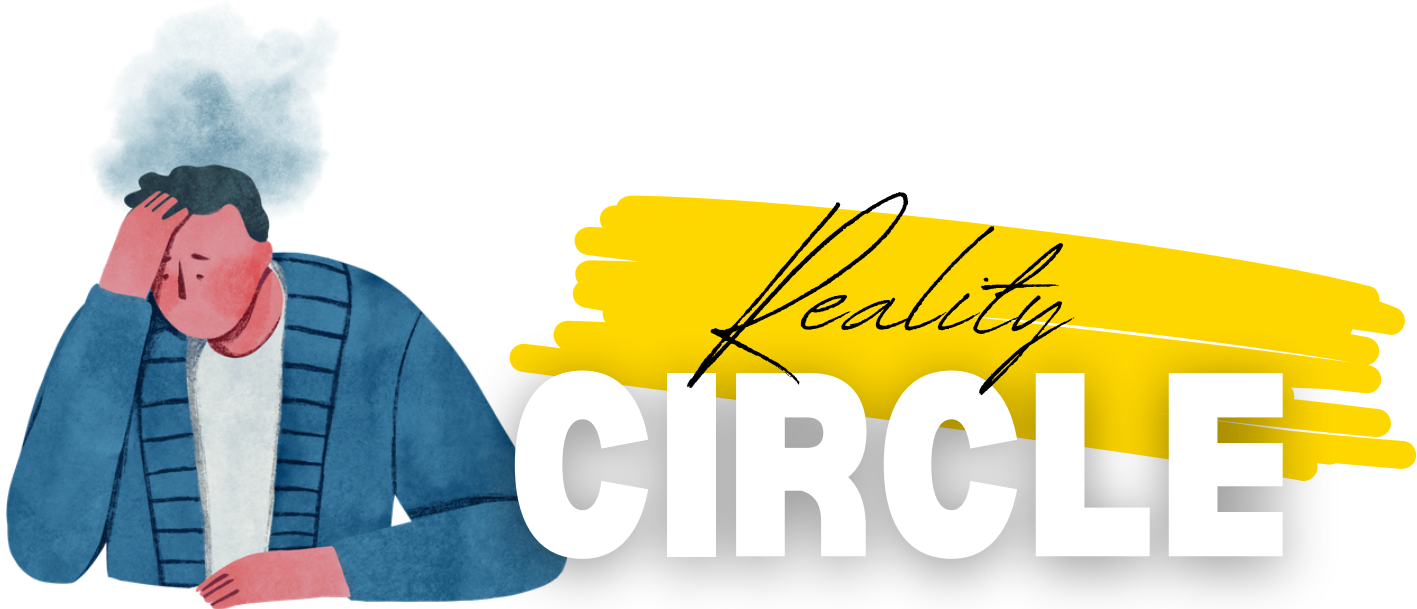
Bridge vision with execution: It is not enough to dream. He embodies the discipline of turning ideas into measurable progress. Be the person who not only sees possibilities, but builds them.

Commit to continuous growth: Even in leadership, he continues to invest in learning. His attainment of an MBA underscores a powerful truth: you never arrive. Growth is not an event; it is a lifelong commitment.

Lead with responsibility, not just ambition: In shaping trade and industry, his focus is not position, but progress, creating opportunities, strengthening systems, and improving lives. True leadership is measured by impact, not status.

Think beyond yourself, build legacy: His work reflects a vision greater than personal success. It is about transforming communities, systems, and a nation. Let your goals be bigger than you.

Hon. Chipoka Mulenga's story reminds us that greatness is not accidental, it is built. Built through discipline when no one is watching. Built through service when recognition is absent. Built through vision that refuses to fade. So to every young African with a dream: start where you are. Build what you have. Stay consistent. Grow relentlessly. And lead with purpose. Because one day, your journey will not just be your story, it will become someone else's inspiration.



BREAKING THE SILENCE ON DEPRESSION

Hey African Youths,

Let me speak life into your soul today: You are needed. You are loved. You are not a burden. There is purpose in your breath and destiny in your steps even when it doesn't feel like it. We know life can feel heavy. Some days the silence is louder than the noise, and the weight in your chest is heavier than your backpack. Let's talk about it. Depression and suicide are not signs of weakness. They are real battles faced by strong people, people just like you.

WHAT IS DEPRESSION?

Depression is more than just a bad mood. It's a silent storm. It can look like being tired all the time, losing interest in things you used to love, struggling to focus, isolating yourself, or feeling like you're not enough. Sometimes, it whispers the lie that the world would be better without you.

But here's the truth: That's a lie. The world needs you. There's only one you and that's your superpower.

STATS TO KNOW

- Suicide is one of the leading causes of death among teens and young adults globally.
- More than 1 in 5 youths struggle with symptoms of depression.
- Many suffer in silence, afraid of being judged or misunderstood.
- Talking about it doesn't make it worse, it creates room for healing.

WHY JOIN THE MOVEMENT?

Because silence can suffocate but truth breathes life. We're creating a circle of courage, support, and healing.

This is about breaking the shame, standing up for one another, and choosing hope even when it's hard. You don't have to fake your smile. You don't have to fight alone.

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

- Let's talk about the pressure to "be strong" all the time.
- Let's talk about the fear of opening up.
- Let's talk about crying in the dark and still showing up to class.
- Let's talk about therapy, prayer, and getting the help you deserve.

You are not broken. You are battling something and battles can be won.

TAKE ACTION NOW

- **Speak Up:** Tell someone you trust how you're really feeling. A teacher, a friend, a pastor, a parent. Help is real.
- **Stay Connected:** Don't isolate. Find your people, those who lift you, not judge you.
- **Take Small Steps:** Go outside. Drink water. Breathe. Write. Pray. Talk. Rest.
- **Be the Light:** Check in on your friends. Ask them how they really are. A message can save a life.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

It's okay to cry. It's okay to not have it all together. But please, don't give up. You were not made to disappear. You were made to shine.

Healing is possible. Help is available. Hope is alive.

Let's make depression and suicide a conversation not a secret. Let's build a world where struggling is not shameful and asking for help is brave.



THE MIRROR MOMENT

See It. Believe It. Pursue It.

It's time to look in the mirror and ask yourself some hard questions. Vision isn't just a concept, it's a call. And like any call, it demands reflection, honesty, and action.

- **Are you clear on what you truly want to become, or are you drifting with the crowd?**
- **Have you written down your vision, or is it still a thought lost in your mind?**
- **Are you investing time, effort, and discipline into your dreams, or waiting for someone else to make them happen?**
- **Are fear, doubt, or distractions holding you back from stepping into your potential?**
- **Are you building skills, networks, and knowledge that will transform your vision into reality?**

Here's the truth: a vision without action is nothing more than wishful thinking. Every day you delay, opportunities pass. Every time you let fear dictate your steps, your dreams shrink. Your generation wasn't born to stand still, it was born to rise, to innovate, to lead.

So ask yourself: Am I pursuing my vision, or letting it fade in the shadows of hesitation?

The future of Africa is not abstract, it is being written by you, every day, in every decision, in every action. Step forward. Declare it. Chase it. Protect it. Make your vision real. Because when you do, you won't just change your life, you'll change the continent.

YOU ARE NOT WEAK

Feeling overwhelmed?
Struggling with anxiety, stress, or depression?
Facing challenges in relationships?
Battling thoughts you're too scared to share?
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- Anxiety & panic ●
- Managing daily stress ●
- Depression & hopelessness ●
- Thoughts of suicide or self-harm ●



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Don't fight your battles alone. Reach out today because your life matters, and help is here.*



YOU WERE NOT DROPPED, YOU WERE POSITIONED BY BOIPELO SEBEDI

You were not dropped. You were positioned. What feels like a setback is never accidental; it is alignment. Life has a way of moving us out of comfort and into unfamiliar spaces, not to break us, but to prepare us.

You were not abandoned. You were placed exactly where growth could stretch you, where strength could be built, and where new opportunities could find you. I share this not as theory, but from experience. There were moments I questioned the shifts, moments I didn't understand the silence, the delays, or the sudden changes. But in time, I began to see God's hand in every detail.

Today, I stand not only as a radio presenter at Duma FM, but as someone God is intentionally using across multiple platforms. Through movements like Women Evolve, We Must Praise, African Women For Jesus To All Nations (AWJAN), the Maunatlala Junior School Development Committee, and Men and Women conventions led by Dr. Lebo Rathedi and Makoti, I have come to understand that purpose is not confined to one space; it flows where God sends you.

Every room, every conversation, every opportunity to speak, serve, and connect with women and families from different walks of life has been part of divine positioning, a platform to heal, to empower, to build, and to remind others of who they are in God.

There is a grace that comes with being positioned, a grace to endure, to rise, to succeed, and to walk boldly even when the path is not fully clear. I am deeply grateful for every season, and for the covering of my mentor, Prophet Thuso Molefhe, who continually reminded me that I was not born by mistake, but for a greater purpose.

What once felt like being "dropped" was, in truth, divine direction. What felt like loss was making room for purpose.

So if you are in a season of uncertainty, where things don't make sense, hold on. God wastes nothing. Every experience is working together for something greater. Yes, it can be hard to remain steadfast, but grow through what you go through.

Your position is not punishment; it is preparation. God is intentional, and so is your journey. And when the time is right, you will look back and realize you were never dropped. You were being prepared for impact.

I extend my deepest gratitude to my beloved husband, my mother, my grandmother, and my family. To the management of Duma FM, especially Mr. Donald Badisa Seberane, the executive team, my colleagues, Apostle Rose Kajinga, Mr. and Mrs. Mantswe, Abundance City International Church, Mr. Mathibe, my friends, and all who continue to support and encourage me, thank you. And a special thank you to my cousin, Thusi.



BEYOND TRENDS: BUILDING AFRICA'S FUTURE ON ITS ROOTS.

Africa's richness is not only in its minerals and landscapes but in its identity; its culture, traditions, and creativity. From the vibrant patterns of its clothing to the diverse flavors of its cuisine, Africa carries a heritage that is unmatched anywhere in the world. Yet, in chasing modern trends, there is a risk of losing sight of what makes the continent truly unique.

To embrace our roots is not to reject progress; it is to stand firmly on a foundation that cannot be shaken. Our traditions tell stories of resilience. Our food nourishes more than the body, it carries the history of our ancestors. Our dressing is more than fabric; it is art, identity, and pride stitched into every pattern. When we preserve these, we are not holding onto the past; we are safeguarding treasures that empower our future.

Modernization has its place. Technology, innovation, and global trends are tools that Africa must adopt and adapt. But they should not erase our essence, they should amplify it. Imagine African designers blending tradition with contemporary fashion, or African chefs taking indigenous recipes to global tables. Picture our festivals, music, and languages celebrated worldwide, not diluted but dignified.

The call for Africa today is clear: to rediscover its roots and boldly wear its uniqueness as a crown. In doing so, we do not just preserve culture; we create industries, jobs, and global influence. For the youth, this is your invitation: embrace who you are, merge it with modern opportunities, and craft a future where Africa's originality becomes its greatest export.

The strength of tomorrow lies in a continent confident in its identity. Africa must rise not by copying the world, but by showing the world the beauty of being authentically African.



CARRYING HOPE THROUGH WORSHIP

BY TLO-TLO

There is a sound inside me that heaven entrusted; a sound born out of brokenness, pain, and hope. I do not just write songs; I release prayers wrapped in melody, rivers of healing disguised as lyrics. Each line carries a cry, each chord a balm for wounded hearts.

The truth is, worship was never meant to be entertainment; it is an altar where shattered lives meet the mender of souls. In His presence, heaviness lifts, tears find meaning, and ashes are exchanged for beauty. What flows through me is not mine to keep, it is heaven's answer to someone's midnight hour.

And yes, the enemy tries to silence that sound, to convince the broken that their pain is final. But God declares otherwise: "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit" (Psalm 34:18). That is the anthem behind my songs, the testimony that out of broken places, resurrection power still rises.

So when I sing, I am not performing. I am interceding. I am releasing heaven's comfort, heaven's healing, heaven's hope. My prayer is that every lyric would stitch together what was torn, every melody would breathe courage into weary souls, and every moment of worship would restore what life tried to destroy. This is my calling: to let songs become streams of living water, carrying the presence of God into the dry places of the human heart.

And to every young person reading this, guard your vision. The world will try to distract you, dilute you, and even silence you, but never lose sight of the picture God has placed in your spirit. Vision is the compass of destiny. Without it, talent drifts, passion fades, and life loses direction. Write the vision, keep it before your eyes, and let it fuel your steps. Don't allow fear or comfort to bury what heaven planted in you. Whether your gift is in music, leadership, business, or innovation, let it shine. Your vision is not just about you, it is an assignment tied to generations.

Rise up, child of God. Dream boldly, pursue fearlessly, and walk faithfully. For just as my songs are vessels of healing, your vision is the solution someone has been praying for.

Eye Of An EAGLE

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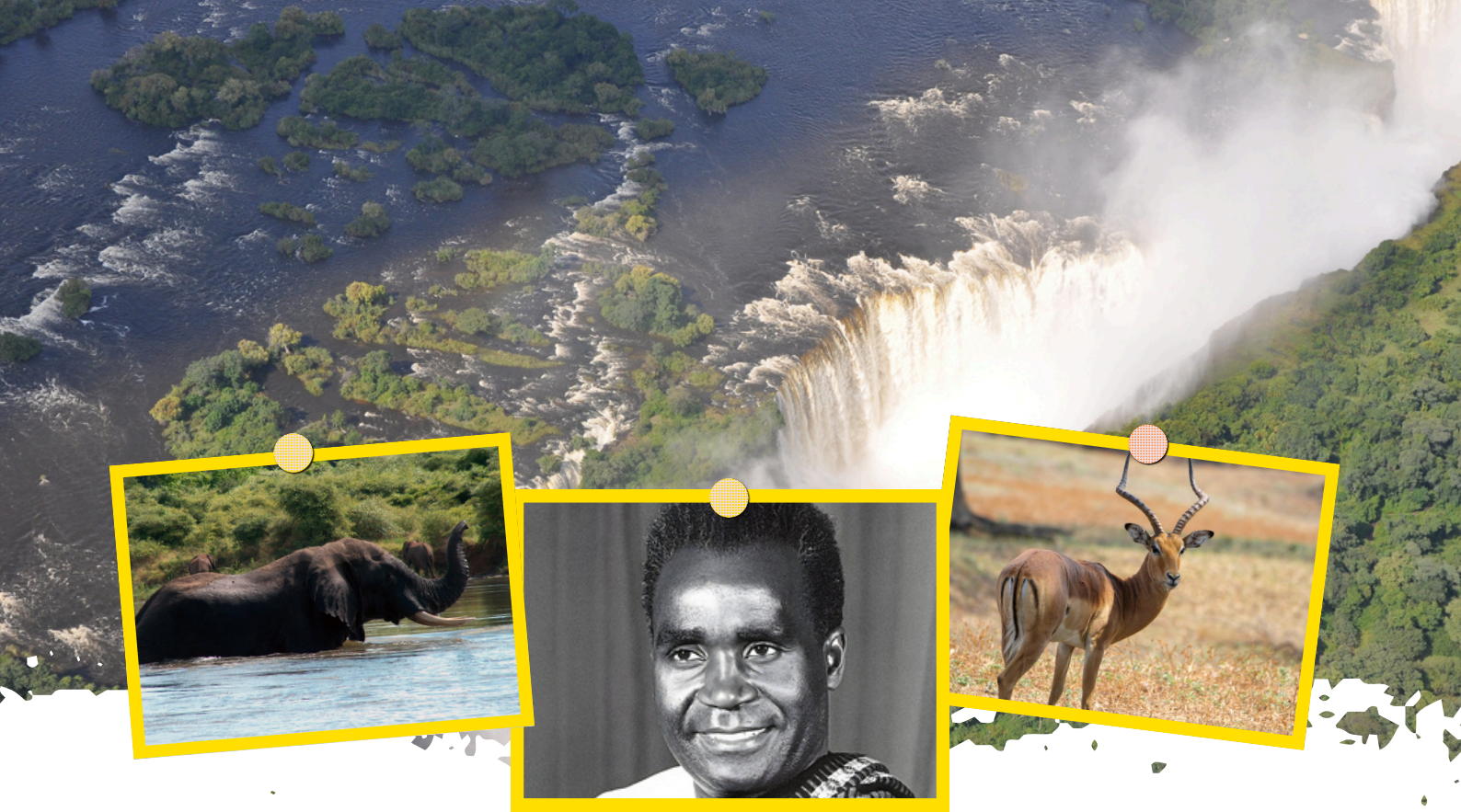
High above the valleys low,
Where lesser birds dare not go,
The eagle fixes its steady gaze,
Seeing the future through the distant
haze

Its vision cuts through storm and sky,
Spotting promise where others pass by.
No distraction can steal its flight,
For its eyes are locked on purpose and
light

So, dear dreamer, learn this way,
Do not be swayed by what fades today.
Lift your eyes, let your focus be strong,
Walk toward destiny, where you belong.

For vision is power, a compass true,
It carries you forward in all that you do.
Like the eagle, see beyond the near,
And soar with courage, not with fear.

Your path is waiting, your purpose clear,
The future is brighter than it may
appear.
So sharpen your sight, let your faith arise,
The eagle within you was born to the
skies.



ZAMBIA UNCOVERED: 10 THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW.

Home of the Victoria Falls: Known locally as Mosi-oa-Tunya ("The Smoke That Thunders"), Zambia shares the world's largest curtain of falling water with Zimbabwe. It's one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

Birthplace of the Walking Safari: Zambia is credited as the home of the walking safari, pioneered in South Luangwa National Park. Here, you don't just see wildlife, you walk among it.

Over 70 Ethnic Groups, One Nation: Zambia is one of the most ethnically diverse countries in Africa, with more than 70 tribes, yet it has remained one of the most peaceful nations on the continent.

Lake Kariba's Hidden Gem: Lake Kariba, the world's largest man-made lake by volume, lies partly in Zambia. It's not only a source of hydroelectric power but also a paradise for fishing and houseboat safaris.

Copperbelt Legacy: Zambia is among the world's top copper producers, giving it the nickname "the land of copper." The Copperbelt Province fueled much of the nation's early economic growth.

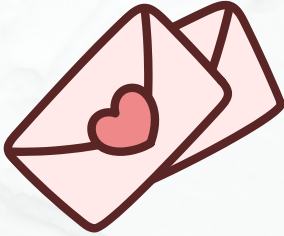
One of Africa's Safest Destinations: Zambia consistently ranks among the safest countries for travelers in Africa, making it a favorite for adventure seekers and families alike.

Landlocked But Not Limited: Though Zambia is landlocked, it boasts some of Africa's greatest rivers; Zambezi, Kafue, and Luangwa, which power hydroelectric dams and sustain rich ecosystems.

Unique Traditional Ceremonies: From the Kuomboka of the Lozi people to the Nc'wala of the Ngoni, Zambia hosts vibrant annual ceremonies that preserve history, culture, and identity.

A Haven for Bird Lovers: With over 750 recorded species, Zambia is a paradise for birdwatchers. The elusive shoebill stork in the Bangweulu wetlands is a global attraction.

Zambia's Independence Hero: Few know that Zambia's first president, Dr. Kenneth Kaunda, was a schoolteacher and freedom fighter whose philosophy of "One Zambia, One Nation" united the country after independence in 1964.



A LOVE LETTER TO MY *Daughters*

My Precious Daughters,

I know the world around you is loud; pulling you in every direction, offering shortcuts, and painting pictures of temporary happiness. Many have wandered off track, not because they were weak, but because they had no vision guiding them. When you lack vision, it is easy to settle for what looks good now but robs you of what God has prepared for tomorrow.

But hear me clearly: you were never created to live aimlessly. Scripture says, "Write the vision, make it plain" (Habakkuk 2:2). A vision is your compass, your map, your anchor. It is the picture of your future that keeps you steady when life tempts you with distractions. Without vision, life feels like chasing shadows, but with vision, every step has meaning, every sacrifice has purpose, and every choice becomes a seed for destiny.

Think of Joseph. He held on to his dream even when betrayed by his brothers and thrown into prison. It was his vision that kept him from compromise in Potiphar's house. Remember Daniel. Surrounded by Babylon's luxuries and pressures, he refused to defile himself because he saw a bigger picture. And look at Jesus. For the joy set before Him, He endured the cross. Vision empowered Him to endure pain for eternal glory.

My daughters, let your vision be bigger than temporary gratifications. Let it guide your decisions, shape your friendships, and guard your purity. When others chase what shines for a moment, you will rise above because you see beyond. Your vision will keep you focused, disciplined, and unshaken.

So I charge you today: dream boldly, write it clearly, and pursue it faithfully. Your destiny is too precious to waste on fleeting pleasures. Heaven has already written your story, pick up the pen and align with it.

I believe in you, I'm praying for you, and I see you walking into greatness with eyes fixed on the vision God has planted within you.

*With all my love,
Mrs. Bupe Mwape Chisha
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