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For

Cuteravive,

my play-doll.

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INTRODUCTION:

Charsian Poetry

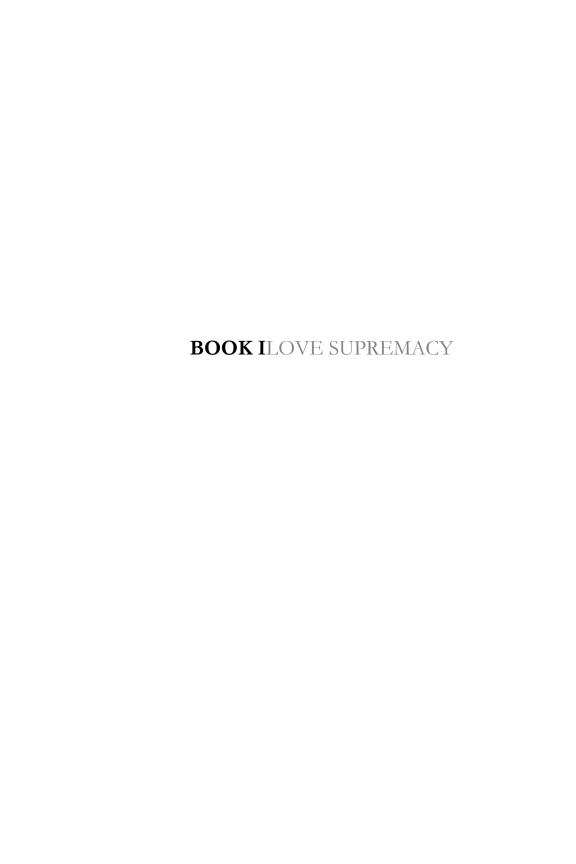
harles Mwewa has been writing poetry since he first knew how to string words and senses together. All of his first poems, beginning in 1983, were lost because, "Mwewa wrote them on his thighs using sticks as pen." The first attempt to collect his poems happened to be just for fun in the early 1990s. By 1997, Mwewa had largely collected his poems for future publications. During the 1990s, then as a student of literature at the University of Zambia (UNZA), Mwewa, in the company of other poem-lovers, helped to collect an anthology of poems using the UNZA Poetry Club, which he had co-founded with Elliot Phiri. This anthology was lost and did not see the light of day. Between 1998 and 2000, Mwewa had produced numerous pamphlets on religious prayers and praises, which were mostly for internal use.

It was in 2007, inspired by his friend and former language professor, Charles Calder, that Mwewa first published some of his poems in a book called *Song of an Alien*. Mwewa had just immigrated to Canada, and saw the window and opportunity to put some of his love, personal growth and political poems into a book. Since then, Mwewa has gone on to publish *Sail without Ship (The Dreams of Africa)*, a collection of political poems celebrating Africa and Zambia's 50 years of independence; and *I Bow*, a collection of 350 prayers written purely in verse of iambic pentameters. By and large, Mwewa has written several poems on war, disease (Covid-19 poems), children (including his published small book for children), law, love, and so on.

This book, however, is unique and comprehensive. It covers a period of 30 years of selected poems. Most of the published and unpublished works of Charles Mwewa are compiled into this one collection, earning the title, *The Best of Charles Mwewa*. Mwewa's style is *Charsian* – styled in a mixture of rhythmic verse and iambs, where desired, and "poetic prose" where needed, creating a mixture of sound and sense that captivates the mind/reason, engages the soul and records, corrects or makes history.

Charles Mwewa

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1. My Love, I

My love warms me when I am cold, She means to me more than pure gold She knows the secrets of my soul And with her I can't long for more

She will delight and fulfil me My love is but the good I see He is the soul within my soul; In his arms I gladly give all

Be closer than breath, all my days Be a friend I trust, in all ways Put your arms around me, all night And guard my nude heart, from all sight

Come to me, I die without you Each day I wait for your true feel Take out from my eyes all my tears And rid my heart of pain and fears

2. My Love, II

My love hides me from the sun's heat In her kind voice mind and soul beat She thrills like the sun in the sky And stills like moonlight lullaby

I feel bounds of raging tenses And miss my love with five senses. My soul does languish with plight, Yet our hearts flourish with delight

In the depth of quiet reflections, Rhythms of my roused recollections Rhyme to the sound of his name For to love and rescue me he came

In your soul my whole being belongs My drained heart for you alone longs Come to me, my love, come to me! All you want, to you I will be.

3. Tenderly

She rises delicately with every caress, The woman under the arms of tender play, She is feeble like a sponge, stronger as grace, And every curve is like angels when they pray.

She breathes deep with every kind word, The woman in the presence of a caring man, She is tenderly lost in this but her world, And she dies slowly like one shot without a gun.

She dances rhythmically to every thrusting force The woman who has been carefully tutored, She is in control, and she is her own boss, And skins him like flesh warily butchered.

She comes down speedily like a falling star The woman who has been properly loved, She is all smiles, her laughter reaches far, She's safe like a doctor who's been gloved!

4. Fondest Memories, I

It was cool, calm, cold and clean Down Keele to buy ice-cream Hand in hand, we walked With rare sacredness, we talked.

Love is a living thing, they say Which no words can say, No mind can understand, And no soul can comprehend.

I love you, and I cannot explain it Because loving you is pleasurable. I love you, and I don't know why, For loving you is easy, that's why.

You are everything that I want More than the oil wells of Mid-East; More than the diamonds of Africa More than the gold of America!

5. Fondest Memories, II

Since we parted, it has been hard. And partings cost us everything. I admit, I am not strong, And you cannot be too wrong

Lonely like an island Absence breaks our hearts Could I and you now just agree? Our love is hurt by some degree?

I will follow you through the rains Because my heart belongs to you, Come; let us meet like two ways And promise never to part ways!

6. Fondest Memories, III

My bride, my black lover: To you this music I bring From rhythms in my soul I beat for you in cords of twos And record for you a melody Of a revolutionary orchestra

My bride, my youthful hart: Dearly loved and treasured, Your temperament is phlegmatic; Cool, quiet and beautiful!

You are fair, my love, you are fair. You have no flaw in you. Your eyes are doves And your lips drop honey. For you, my heart beat in harmony. Oh, catch for me my dear doe; Let me rejoice all night long And feel the warmth, The power of two sweet loves.

7. Fondest Memories, IV

You are the wife of my dreams A friend closer than a brother Together we stick like a letter And follow each other like shadows.

Like a hare trotting on the Drakensburg, You came along Lovely to behold, soothing to touch And your eyes met mine, And our hearts agreed, That we belonged together.

Days go like flakes in the sky
And night comes rushing in
In your heart are red roses
Whence I spread a bed of our deep romance

My wife glitters like the sun; In her bosom reason and emotions harmonize And bring meaning to a life on its last legs.

8. Fondest Memories, V

Your eyes are a thoroughfare Straight like a pine tree Your face thoroughly shines, As one who has been to the fellowship of angels

I wonder why all such beauties aren't at gun-point robbed!

Why were you made thus bonbon? Why do I crave for you with psychotic lunacy? Why does sleep leave me at the thought of you? Why do I gaze at you like a newly born baby?

Your lips drip of vanilla Your borders in chocolate drawn – Your tongue of cinnamon brand, Your heart, a sanctuary of gods!

9. Fondest Memories, VI

Your shape is a dream of knighted lords Shaped through fragile contours You are curved as a god in Aphrodisiac casing With such a small waist on ivory-paired legs I wonder why such tiny feet support such frail figures!

Your hand tender, soft as sponge As splendid as taintless gold

The back of your yard Couth and carefully cultivated Arranged as twins of the same design.

10. Fondest Memories, VII

Thy gyrations doth move mine entrails Thy neck long, soft and vivid... Thy embrace in mine arms grips How comfy and delightful!

Fools doth attest to thy beauty The strong doth faint in thy presence The wise in thy breath words deny Bragging men and loafers, thou loath

Thy head with wit brims
Thy mind with brilliance rims
Thy faculties with reason drone
Thy hairs full, long and grown

Thy make-up, costly and lavish Thy men's spirits thou break Thy equals labor thou render null And thine rivals cry foul.

11. Veronice

This heart has made a clever choice, With these lips we utter a voice Of our lovely Veronice, A girl so sweet and very nice

She heals like a veronica And cures like a Santonica; She is a clear memoranda Of issues on observanda

Hard to face as a facular She glitters as a nebula. Her flesh is all fresh synovia In red roses of Monrovia

We composed her a fantasia Imported from Eastern Asia To be rubbed with spices of India In charmed scents of Parafindia!

12. Chara

I knew it that very first time When I looked at your smiling face And reasoned you were in your prime, Even so I thought I could chase.

Chara, I love you with my whole heart

And time came for being closer friends I knew it was not a mistake For it wasn't like we could be fiends When there was so much at stake

Chara, my love for you is pure art.

13. My Face

I recall the first time I saw you. Since then so many things have happened And that early excitement has gone.

There comes in one's life a time and season, When the first bunch of roses fades And only dry memories remain.

On these scattered memories, my love I have dutifully spread a bed With a pillow top of dead rose leaves.

Many times, beauty is deceptive And charm, a passing wave of the wind And only inner chaste makes life sure

For always my face in yours I see This I call faultless Epiphany When in your beauty, mine I see, too.

14. Till I Have You

Not till I have you, will I rest, Not till you become my sole quest, Not till the drums beat at their best Not till I rise to be the first And riffraffs turn into champions, Will I be your soul companion?

I'll not detour by matters of shame Nor divert by flashes of fame The sting of the rose may prickle The rays of the sun may sparkle You and I shall reach the summit And there we shall glow very bright.

You dream of the team of the best And not till you're mine, shall I rest!

15. Jenevive

She is only called Jenevive.

Her bosom is the King's armor. She mixes the tastiest of soups, Prepares the cleanest of chambers And wears the widest of all smiles.

She possesses the grace of does And struts with the pride of male lions.

Her womb bears the healthiest babies And her man married the noblest.

She is only called Jenevive.

16. Stronger Than Death

She dies softly and slowly, The lady in a song Of pure love:

Her eyes small and dizzy Her touch gentle and lazy She gazes by the eye sides With hidden black pupils.

When she is fully cuddled
She dies in the ramblings
Of the seventh heaven
And whispers in overtones of love.

When she feels the flow Of living streams, She grumbles meaningless promises, And demands she be tightly held.

Then sense and reason
Doubly crash with a bung,
Bone and marrow mar the bounds
And hands and words
Become one!

There is no feeling greater No orgasmic sensation better No life sweeter And a death so fair and swifter!

17. Till the Bells

Honey, They are saying we are not strong And they are all wrong.

Honey, Because they don't know the truth About the values we hold dear That we have been through the fire And have come out pure.

Honey,
But they may be right
Because it may happen after a fight
That their vows couples don't hold tight
And of their duty they may lose sight.

Honey,
Our love is like a rock,
In the middle of Lake Michigan;
Waters rise and on shores knock
Yet it never goes back where it began.

Honey, Let them be talking And let's keep walking!

18. Look at Her

She climbs down the stairways of Toronto My woman who walks on ivory legs.

A sheer glance perturbs even the stronger And the most alert of minds.

Her moves are a dance and her steps are tempos Beaten by invisible skill.

The capture of her bosom, yields peace and fire And her eyes sparkle with shining glory.

She gold-chains her neck and ring crafts her ankles And garbs herself in red garments.

Look at the woman, I say Look at her and afterwards pray.

19. Gold

I was not dreaming about gold Nor hallucinating of gold I swerved on my bed and saw gold Before me were presents of gold, My eyes ogled at pure gold And she was admirable gold.

My words came out simple and clear And I could hear them too clearly; They sprung with brilliant clarity:

She is in her very own class
The best out of seven classes
And first in her beauty classroom.

And the all parade shouted: "gold" Then the echo grew loud and bold Passing in gaps of heat and cold Bracing the memories of old, Bringing out great pleasures untold And treasures never to be sold.

20. My Darling

My darling is first with daughters A gem washed with holy waters She reads classics of ancient books And only dates men with good looks

My darling is an example Of a star reared in the tempo Of superb divine conception Where angels man her reception

Daughters of the brave and mighty Gathered to placate Aphrodite With their complicated hair-dos And she beat them clearly in twos

Daughters of nations, far and near Come and get her charm, true and dear And she will teach and show them all In Athena's decked palace mall.

21. Tenderly, Sweetly, Saucily

She is firm, her breasts to my feel She responds surely, my begging to the heal She is in perfect shape, she deserves the time She looks gorgeous, a hare in her prime These legs of hers, wrapped in chocolate seasoning When she kisses, she perturbs all manly reasoning I hear her heartbeat; I love the way she dies No, she is the one killing me, with her sighs Oh, this heavenly entrance, her V-power Sumptuous to my taste, sweeter every hour When she moves, every inch of her bottom She cuts the nerves to the smallest atom To the command of love, she waits patiently Her heavenly excellence stiff, oh, very anciently I am broken, beaten, stricken and shaken Early I come, oh darling, am I forgiven?

22. Write Me a Poem

You ask me to write you a poem, O sweet tongue How that this request is to me a longed-for fang For how should I write for you, for you're my poem

My heart knows, my soul renders it in deep solemn For you, the words have no power to describe And I wish a sage I was and not a Scribe For I would have sung you a song of love And express the details that my mother gave So, from you, are stars flying across my soul And about you, is a season that soothes all O Julicia, that in your hands I find faultless care O delicious, your embrace I crave for like a dare Let me hold you, and die the same death twice My cold heart you've turned warm this thrice.

23. Does Love Hurt

Do tell me, I am on my knees begging
And all my heart's veins all aching
Does love hurt like a sharpened sword
Or does it comfort like a right word
If so, tell me, and end my deep agony
For what you bring to me is pure harmony
And what I am learning about you
Is a privilege only available to a very few!
Sadly, you think of yourself very low
Happily, I know you are pretty and more
Oh, come out of the cocoon and smell me
For in my scent I say all the beauty I see
And in your tenderness, my heart melts
Hold me tight, with strengths of many belts.

24. Sweet Fountains

You're a fountain of three reservoirs And at the third you open into heavens The sky widens and the waters float When the wind blows and stalls, You bring a breeze, happy and fulfilling For fountain's first, we drink of holy saliva At the second, the summer bump, how intoxicating And then we fall down to the edge of the golden goblet And there, we drink of life-giving force You're a dynamite ready to explode, A volcano, ready to erupt And a tower leading to the heavens When you open those endless sources Oh, how all that makes sense become null And all we treasure become dull Please let me be your champion, Let your breath and heart capture mine I live in your dying defences I faint for your open fences, I survive in your rising heartbeat Surely, sweet also are your environs, When I worshipped at your holy temple When you looked with love in my dimple And our souls met in the third heaven To the brink of insanity, you got me driven Then you shouted, "This man I most love!" And "His machine I love to have!"

25. Thai Gold

You looked directly into my eye Surely, you shine like stars on high Even for a second, I can't let you go by For your love is better than all the gold of Thai

I saw the tattoo on your shoulder And another just near your border I asked, "Who was this bolder?" That he touched with ink thy beauty`s splendor?

26. Slow Dance

Like two pieces of a jigsaw puzzle, Flesh to flesh, skin to skin Like the hard ground that the harmers muzzle Flesh to flesh, skin to skin The silence mixed with a soft dance Flesh to flesh, skin to skin Each gyration is tone of sweetness' ounce Flesh to flesh, skin to skin The way you break from side to side Flesh to flesh, skin to skin And induce the sanely feelings that hide Flesh to flesh, skin to skin Surely laughter and joy have been married Flesh to flesh, skin to skin And all the fear and worry have been buried Flesh to flesh, shin to skin Oh, this daughter was well-taught Flesh to flesh, skin to skin The best, the bright, she has caught Flesh to flesh, skin to skin Tenderly, sweetly, your love is truly divine Flesh to flesh, skin to skin Dance, again, dance, and all shall be just fine Flesh to flesh, skin to skin!

27. Bites of Love

Bite me, again and again
Please bite me
For your bites be lovely
And your teases of the neck be calmly
But it is the naggings of the ears
That be beautiful
Oh, how I cry under your bite
And if a bite be this sweet and nice
Then bite me hard till I bleed!

28. Ode to Loves

This ode to you I sage, O love of loves Let me sing if a voice I should borrow For your bosom is gold That you have And like a sheep to a slaughter, I follow O love of loves, How you beam with vigor, O love of loves, Why all shouldn't be like you? Face it, none dances With elegance and rigor Brace it, no-one is better, You compare to a few. I have gone early, Looking for little foxes And I have set seven traps, To catch the little doves. My surging emotions I hide in three boxes; And all my regrets I have laid down in caves. In the silence of raging nerves, I find reason In the din of resounding glory, There are flurries Surely, by the sea-side, I set my eyes to the horizon My senses I deny, For a moment my edge tarries. I see with my mind, And I hear beatings of love Oh, come to me and hold me so tight, Very close to my heart Eat me alive and bury me, Deep down in a trough O loves, swallow me head first, Legs are only dross Do brush me perfectly; Rub me so good so much And let me swim freely, In the waters of your deeper grave Though I may stand, I fall to the soft of your touch Let me be a coward, To love I aren't any brave By your splendid brand, I offer a quiet prayer -In the noise of your groaning, I feel the blooming roses As you I unwrap completely, Layer by layer, O loves; my stamina gives way, To your galloping horses; I join the throng of singers, Without a miming choir For the rule is: Don't provoke the resting doe, For love unfulfilled, Is as dangerous as fire. A passion untamed, Is meaner than a foe; Those areolas, When they choose to fight; Those firm twins, When they camp against fingers; Oh, again hold me, To your breast so tight, And cure this thought of you, Which lingers like a migraine.

I am damned, totally condemned, To your flowing flood eruption; But I brag of your desire, To please my seventh sense. And see, you're pure, You have no blame. When you move inside, Your frame dances; As though dead, I let the rhythm of life flow. I feel the volts pass through me high; I change, my pace speeds, And my eyes glow; Oh, how hilarious, When you pull me up high, Oh, how gorgeous, When you let me draw nigh; You have warmed my heart, Like a currency of power By the shore of your mouth, I swim my tongue every hour. I hear you call loudly, With greater urgency. As you do, I stay limp, As one who hangs limp, This love I've surely got, This route is truly hot; A goddess without fault, Oh, love I'll never forget!

29. Love's Jealous

Love's real test is a jealous heart
Show me a lover who ignores no flaw
I show you a passion without art
For love without borders knows no law
And so, dear one, when you cry
Because I did something you hate
You know it was meant not to be by
Lean on me, together we cheat fate
For your love grows in size like cancers
Your dream becomes clear as it hatches
And everywhere you look, you see answers
For jealousy is a sure sign you love me
Even when it stings you deep like a bee!

30. Love Tonight

Today, not tomorrow
I want you today, tonight, and now
Your image never ceases to wow
And when I need to bow
You bring me alive to the real brow;
Just the rare you, yet ordinary, you`re magician,
Upon embracing you, I touch angelic antenna
Like a Benz, you`re cute, and agile as a Ferrari
In you, sweetness combines on a romantic hill
And I`m inspired in the heart of your plateau
Now or never, tonight write a poem at Hotel Taj.

31. Smile, My Love

My love is not just a mind, she has a brain When she presses for results, they all drain Like a silent missile, she attacks and conquers And like steady ship, she sails and anchors Oh, bring me a woman as good as her And I will show you they are very far She wakes up early, she works herself fit She stays at job late, and joins the night fleet Yet, she cooks the most delicious meals And when she gives advice, it all heals This, is not your typical beauty, she's one This, is the trophy once must be won To love you, is a spring of calm waters By your bosom, all salute, none falters She rarely engages in energy dance If she does, you wish for another chance Labour, my love, work, we all thank you Study and exile, those like you are few And this husband loves you, with adoration And your kids sing of your wise declaration Oh, my love, I sing of your sound brilliance Oh, my kids' mom, smiles are in your glance!

32. Bleeds of Love

Thy love moves, they be with great strength How upon thee hast thou mastered this technique Thou art romantic, thy teeth sharp as swords How perfect thy high tactic In thy mouth, thou hideth both pain and pleasure Thou, indeed, art inventive and unique Come to me, I beg, bite me with thy breath Thy deep sting mine karma prick And how these be more powerful than words Oh, thou catchest me with thy trick In mine blood thou oozest life like a treasure Oh, if this love be, Then cut me through as thou pleaseth If love maketh one bleed, Then mine ear bite hard as thou fixeth.

33. Just Black, O Juliana

Just black, this woman called Juliana
In a black dress or call it a skirt
Just black, she struts inside a temple goddess
Walking glidingly in divine heels of perfect sheds
Just black, with immaculate aura, she is a queen
In her face, hope and love mingle
Life and death marry
Just black and they give birth to soothing whisper:
"We die and live in thy presence
Oh, sweet Juliana; you're so adorable"
Just black, it is fair to be black
And fairer still to dress elegantly in a black tight.
Just black,
So cute, so pretty in black, O Juliana!

34. Eye of Beholder

She blindly teases his shape, curatively At first, it was just in her mind, figuratively Her eyes can't stop gazing, emphatically She closes her eyes, he shows up, automatically Oh, her eyes of dove, are sickly in love This feeling is haunting her, down and above He's just an ordinary guy, but makes him a god He can't be wrong, to everything he says, she will nod A second in his presence, makes more sense His absence, burns her like fire, intense She has fallen, Her heart, stollen Her mind, stricken Her mood, sicken Her doubts, trodden Her pride, forgotten She knows, she's in love And she can't wait, him to hold and have.

35. Like a Sunset, O Angelian

Like a sunset when the weather is cool
Like the sunrise when the sun is white as wool
Your lips shower billions of nerves, sweet and kind
A diadem, a trophy I have by accident find
Even your name, Oh Angelian, O Angelian
Spells like July, the season of the summerian
How beautiful you're in every way
For others may be stricken by their say
But you, a black angel with a pink heart
Your love is perfect in shape, in form art
Come to me, run, and don't stop
Let me hold you till we drop
Oh, how lovely is your tender bosom
How I miss your true and real bottom.

36. Ka-Reign

You're beautiful, and so good to behold You're exceptional, and out of this world Your step, is like a goddess' crown Your speech, is made from a princess' throne How cute your smile, Even when you mean not Kings will desire to walk with you every mile, Your eyes are gracious; you have no fault.

37. Woman, a Wife I

Who said that the woman is a small thing, a weak vessel, an appendage of creation? For that a one has never known the vulnerability before a woman, not just a woman, a wife John Legend pens it even so well, "Perfect imperfections... When I lose, I am winning... my worst distraction...my downfall..." Oh, how appropriate, for this woman, a wife, is my most powerful friend, and my worst enemy.

38. Woman, a Wife II

How can you say she will bulge under pressure; You have not known a woman? She nags unendingly, and makes lethal insistence, and does not give up on issues And yet without her life is dull and even boring, But with her, and you know what I am saying, she is a true pain, a terrible teacher and poor coach What, then do you say leave her and be alone, freedom, viva and let us tonight find peace.

39. Woman, a Wife III

You're wrong, for immediately she is away, she is out, war breaks out — not a battle for territory But a loneliness too thick for smog to succumb, and yet still you wish she was gone forever Nay, she is still here, in your veins, in your blood and in your all life sources — you miss her again.

40. Woman, a Wife IV

Oh women, who shall deliver us from their devilish stratagems, their evil machinations and smug And again pause, you're wrong, the woman, a wife, is the easiest critic, you fall naked before her And yet she keeps all your children under lock and calls you each time you spend time at the office You think about it, so, she cares, but she behaves as though she is your worst nightmare.

41. Woman, a Wife V

Women, a woman, a wife, a weapon of mass destruction, a love bullet, a poisonous chalice She is all that, and yet, you cannot live without her – you wish she was not there, you cry Is this what they call love – insanity – yet we all have it, and we know when it is not there.

42. Woman, a Wife VI

Women, a wife, my greatest adversary, and still we live together, year after year after year How possible, why impossible not to be without her, and what a league of extremities!

43. Woman, a Wife VII

A woman, a wife, a knife that cuts deepest, yet a sponge that soothes the nicest – yelp! A woman, a wife, a necessary inconvenience, a silent missile, a spirited competitor – oh help! Yet, sweeter than honey, braver than a lioness, and steadfast as a strong warrior- she is!

44. Woman, a Wife VIII

A woman, a wife, tender to behold and chubby to caress, yet hard as a rock when she bugs Tender as the shoots of the onions, yet irritating as its leaves out-flames its killing rhythms I would rather, have one, a woman, a wife, than spend all my days dodging the weapon of love!

45. Daughters

She is adorable, she is precious, she is my daughter She comes to hug me without preconditions, only pure laughter

She holds my hand and whispers, "Daddy, I love you,"

She is not like any other, among the children of men, there are few,

I love her back, in fact, I have loved her even before birth

There is nothing I value more than her on this crowded-earth

Her life is intertwined with my own, I feel her joy, I hear her pain

When she is not well, a part of me simply stops to gain;

I don't need to place flowers in my chamber, she is my flower

Her scent fills my heart to the blink, hour after hour;

When she does wrong, even in my rebuke, I dance in affection,

My mind always yearns for her glory and passion; I can't believe that I have more than three of them to behold,

I thank God that I hold in my care what is more precious than gold.

46. Graceful White

Sometimes poetry is a means of telling stories
Other times, it can be for lost glories
But for you, this poem I write with clarity
For you are most endeared in roses and charity
I saw your eyes the other day – gracious
I heard your lovely voice when you spoke –
precious

The gods that look on you are flashing your fame The galaxies dance and chant your name Surely, a deserved mother with wits you are Your child has your perfect heart near her Smile, and merry more, your destiny is all well And hope and enjoy life, your dream will not fail [Thank you for the ride today; Much appreciated].

47. Tu es beau Kassandra

You're so pretty, so much so beautiful You bring the sun to a snowy heart And summer to a wintry season Your smiles, so wide, so eventful You brim with the grace of a hart You're lovely, and more so for a good reason And so, you may know, you're a goddess, too Oh, strike a wand, I die in admiring you. Tu es beau, O Kassandra!

48. Marry at 30

Most of them marry at 25 That's when things move, *mwana*. Dreams now are all the same And strength is overwhelming.

I tell you marry at 30 That's when reason fails, Dreams have all ceased And feelings do not overwhelm.

There is a struggle now, *mwana*. With warm burning passions And relief plays very far Serve to just marry, *mwana*.

Do not add another year, *mwana*. Two, three or more years You will become insane And lose the flavor of life.

At 30 marry your woman, mwana.

49. Love You So Much

Hello, darling, they are saying:
"He loves her like his sister"
But they also brag that you love me.
They say that we talk alike.
They shudder that we have passion.
They say that it flows so natural.
They compare us to the two elbows
And always demand for an answer.

They do not know the secret, darling. Though eyes they have, they don't see. They know not that love given Is the love that one receives. When I hold you closest to me, Then natural grace points at you And I praise your natural splendor.

50. Yours is Chubby

I will sing you this song With no wit of poetry. Because of your deep rift And your chubbiness.

You have planted an orchard In the form of a triangle And in the middle of which Is a living fountain With a warmth of wet heat.

51. At the Lips

You plant sweetness
And in your mouth
Are watermelons
You have apples in your eyes
And garlands of ivory
In your legs.

But the middle and fundament That guard of heightened sensors That takes the brain of a child And turns it into manhood Is the prize of the well-bred.

52. Love Songs

My bride and my cherished love From the rhythms of my heart I create concertos in tunes I beat dual codes And for you I record Songs

My cute bride is my dear hart She is kind and gorgeous She is fair and dear She takes my heart And brings joy With love Songs

My mom once told me to hear The words of my love's beat And not to dare miss The true meaning Of love themes Veiled in Songs

My dad was not wrong at all When he told me to learn To hear and perceive What is unsaid By my dear In love Songs

53. Beside Me

I would have thought "Mary" When besides me sat a figure The aura on her head And the precious visage Were out of this world Her labia dripped honey, Pure from the honeycomb.

The space between her chest Was narrow, lubricated scented fluid And proudly comforted men.

The styles embedded hairs
Would have given expert saloons
Great difficulties in phathomation
In my subconscious I fainted
Till the one besides me left
Then I wondered how that
Beauty is no respecter of reason.

54. No Capacity

If looks could kill
My eyes would be long dead.
We see in part
But then the entire thing
And he who cannot perform
Is not fortunate.

The crow cries "No capacity" When a guy fails to bring his lady to ice

The hare with curiosity asked: "Foolish vultures, why kill And fail to eat?"

The saint remarked: "I married, not buried!"

So are the sounds of life Soaring with vibes of life Socking all the pains of life Soaking all the juices in life.

55. Claria I

Claria your eyes are little doves The brand even mighty Zeus loves; They have been fashioned from above And given to us all in love.

Claria your cute eyes are gracious Certainly, full-size and precious While clearly round and capacious Yet brownish and very spacious.

Claria your eyes do shine brightly With pupils well placed just rightly To allow heat only slightly And endow with sight delightly.

Claria is decked in color red Sight very well tidy and bred That the cowardly dash in dread Yet her acumen is well spread.

56. Claria II

You're thirty-five, I cannot believe you have grown this far. When I first met you, on a sunny afternoon, wearing a corduroy pant, nay, a white long dress. A shy, resolute darling doe soothing in the end of relocation I never thought a lad as innocuous as you would someday be my wife. You persisted; I never resisted; you showed you had the gats to get into my way, And I into yours. Even Mike, couldn't stand, Nor Patrick understand. For what had been fated, Could not be hated.

57. Claria III

At Patience's discernment,
I began to realize you carried a heart of gold
You displayed the strength of an ox
and the elegancy of a peacock
Oh, Africa, how I have loved you,
Oh, Congo, a nursery that birthed a princess.
And you, Zambia,
a flowerbed of beauties.
I longed to be your side's suitor,
your loving flower when the forest is burned
I found you,
I loved you
and the fear to love forever was healed.

58. Claria IV

Oh, Claria, you hold a heart of champions, you're surely the best of women How can I not tell how much I love you, for love for you is just inadequate But yet, I love you, and will love you, and continue to, till death This vow have I once made, this vow will I never make again For you to me are like two roads that meet and promise never to part For you to me are more than just a wife; you're more than a lover I love you more than words can say, more than I can show you For you're more to me, more than I can show or tell, more than life.

59. Claria V

Oh, my Claria For you're the gem that inspires me to live, the aura than covers my fears Oh, sweet Claria, know that to me you're special, more special than the sun's rays And more valuable than the currency when it performs, and even more Because you're the nest of all God's female creatures, the ever lovely And now I tell you, never ever disbelieve my love for you, please never So that I may never repeat, even when I make mistakes, My love for you is forever!

60. Claria VI

Oh, Claria, forgiving Claria
I know you know
I have disappointed you sometimes,
and I agree I did
But never forget
that the lesson I have learned
is that no-one is like you
For when the many ladies that I have met
have been just good meat
You, however,
have been the real steak,
the best,
those like you
are only you!

61. Cuteravive

My Cuteravive, my sweet song The nice thing to which I belong I have longed for you for long And now you are here, I am strong.

My Cuteravive, my source of Spring From you, all nice things of life spring In your soft voice, heaven rhythms ring Your presence, many loves they bring.

My Cuteravive, my sweet play-doll When we shop, I laugh and love all, Your fashion taste is Summer and Fall, You are adorable in person or in call.

My Cuteravive, super new clear brain When you shop, more money you gain, You lack nothing, in sunshine or rain, You're love' genius, cute in the main.

62. Miracles of Love

Babies used to be miracles of love When people in their simplicity Did not use science and drugs To stop the fusion of ripe cells.

Death used to be a stranger When people in their simplicity Did not use science and drugs To stop the spread of infections.

A boy in the presence of love Shall force the growing of beards. Babies and more babies And cessation of monthly cycle Are all miracles of love.

Birth and marriage and death Are all miracles of this life Even when men conquer them They are still miracles of love.

63. Love to Remember

I remember...
And skies testify.
My heart leaped.
I remember...
Your young long face
Of which poets are fond ofKin sister to morning star.
I know no beauty as yours.

I remember...
The feeling and the taste...
The view and pictures.

I remember ... A mind made up, A fearless resolve And the risky trips.

I remember... Love greater than life And your tender graces.

I remember...your love.

64. Daughter for Loves

Thou art a flower growing painlessly in the thorns Thou escapeth all the pangs of ruthless brushes How that thou be different, yet natural That thou conducteth thyself with majesty Thy tongue dripeth with honey, Thy thighs are towers of power Oh, open, open the fountains of thy youth And therein floweth beauty unspeakable. Oh Julian, a daughter made for loves; A girl unforgettable, beaming with doves!

Thou art a heart, but of thousand angels
Thou carrieth a beauty, of myriad goddesses
And thy tenderness, is of million darlings
As thou fervently groan, "So sweet,
For thou always sweepeth off my feet
With thy words full of the charm of poesy
And the tamarind with which they oozeth."

65. How Lovely

How lovely, the embraces of my lady How darling her eyes when they bend She covers herself in shy fur sturdy She is all smiles to the very end Who can argue, she is not gorgeous Her face does tell it, her heart sings it But closer, she is diamond for obvious And in her perpetual bosom, all is fit How lovely the sweet games of loving How vital to life the rims of her carving.

66. Love Can Build a Bridge

Love can build a bridge
Between your heart and mine
Love can erect a passage
In the conflict of many interests.
Love can construct a canal
In the midst of witlessness.
Love can make the sky blue
In the place of gloom and dullness.
Love can dig a long tunnel
And reach to wonderful lands.
Love can build a bridge
Between your heart and mine.

67. Tashany's Song

Thank you, for my kids
Thank you, for the joy that they bring
Thank you, for dark nights
That they turn into mourning
And grey days they turn to white.

Thank you, for the privilege Thank you, for life they lavish with purpose, Hope they bring to shattered dreams, And furious storms they calm with peace.

Thank you, for the miracle
Thank you, for the tender shoots
Thank you, for the innocent pulsing hearts
Sleeping silently in see-saw cribs
Surrounded by angels and perking wings.

Thank you, for second chances
For in them, loafing drives emerge
And frustrated opportunities surface again.
In them, mooching ideas emasculated
Rise to the test of hope
To bring forth attitude, kind and dear.

Thank you, for this love That no mind can grasp And no intellect can clasp.

68. A Mother's Love

Mother,
Because you have a mother's love
Other loves,
Do not match a mother's love.
Together,
Let us cherish a mother's love.
Hitherto,
Earth stands on a mother's love.
Either,
We choose war or a mother's love.
Rather than gold,
Trade with a mother's love.

69. Mended Heart

You break my heart, with every charm You mend my soul, you mean no harm You're in my dream, every daunting night Forgetting you totally, is my regular fight Never did I think you had composed me Forgive me, I was blind I couldn't see; Now, day and night, your voice is heard Your sweet memory does not at all fed, You infest me like an incurable disease Only at thoughts of meeting I rest as ease.

70. Awanda

There is a place truer than nature An abode fairer than paradise In the inner chamber therein All dearest memories Of things said and unsaid Do find boundless expressions.

There is a person known to us More than we know our palm Whose voice rings music to us, And whose countenance strikes A breath-taking enigma.

There is a love, deeper than bliss A feeling soother than a kiss A person more desirable than peace And a name we'll never miss.

Like her sweet name, Awanda, Oh, is it just a dream, I wonder!

71. Suzy Sisess

Sweet to my senses is Suzy Sisess Sighing so sensually and so souly Speaking in sassy sextet syllables As she stands alongside the skydom

Silly, sexy, she swears in her silence So snootily strong are her silky smiles She sends sugary sounds in intense sleeps Saying and singing in sweet small stanzas

See, soldiers stumble at his safe station Sailors swim across these infested seas Speakers stammer in Suzy's shy essence As such stories are especially artless.

72. Jamaican Girl

Look and see, for Poshy is her name Gaze and watch, luxury is what she loves Out of factories, her desires untimely wonder And her men, large and long she wants them

For signs of wealth, she looks But only broken pebbles, she finds In her house, there are three siblings And each of them, has a different dad

An irregular visitor is the absent dad "My babies' daddy" she calls him But high and bright are all her shoes And only in black and tinted cars, she hikes

Around her waist, are two cell-phones One to money, another to race, she answers Clearly at welfare offices, she's known And men are only used, as economic chips!

73. Stolen Hearts

She refused to let her heart away While her instigators she kept at bay A man with many plans she would sway While heroes never danced her way.

She would come early to Victoria bay To grant hundred suitors their pay And she counted months till May When she would pick a suitable day.

In suits and breasted jackets they pray Her heart strong, her soul as a shy prey But she knew when men might spray Their evil tactics of the matter of grey.

74. Conquered Heart

My heart, frail and empty Any of my parts is yours And you won my soul When you held my hands.

O, my once strong heart In hands strong and hard In embraces gracious and bold There my peace lay.

My love my soul you've won My love my defence you've broken With your tender kiss and hug My heart you have conquered.

75. Stagnet

My tears pour out like rain Just inside my longing heart For my strength you've taken Just with your charm and love

Your love like nothing else Your hands hesitantly given Your body in shape unveiled Oh, might you have broken

By my side you shyly lie Your back to my front brought As if your two diamond breasts In my poverty soul surrenders

Softly my hands move yours Where the two golden legs meet And in your sweetly magnet And the voice cries, Stagnet.

76. Why Love

Why do I love you so much Why should I love you that much In your presence Like wax, I melt In your absence Like a tax, I pelt Why am I captivated by you Why do I dream only of you To your name Like music, I dance To your fame Like panic, I prance Why are you made so perfect Why on you all is just perfect By your side Like a pet, I cower By your pride Like a bet, I dower.

77. Love's Absence

You are my greatest love And my strongest enemy In your presence I live and dwell And there's my danger as well

In your arms I comfortably rest And in your hands I gently die For you are the only one I know Who crashes my weakly soul

In the middle of fervent summer I still feel deathly cold And whenever you leave me I wilt like a plant, scorched and wee

With you I live a double life For I am alive when I am in love And I die when you leave for another One I can't have without the other.

78. Love and Death

Love protects and kills
For in love,
There is healing
And death lurks, too
Love can charm hearts
And can break them, too
For love is a cure
And a poison, too

Love unites and divides
For in love
There is laughter
And great sadness, too
Love can create dreams
And can shutter them, too
For in love there is hope
And grave danger, to.

79. Love is Like

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Love is like a fast-flowing river It quickly forgets about faults Love is like a heavily pouring rain It quickly washes away worries.

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Love is like a mother hen with chicks It risks its own life for theirs Love is like an old skin-shading snake It changes to begin a new life.

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Love is like a tough-going teacher It holds the stick to clean blunders Love is like an obedient slave It lets off to serve its master.

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Love is an emotion with many faces: In the morning it expresses joy; In the afternoon it fosters care; And in the evening, it closes the gates.

80. Be My Valentine

You are my ever-shining star My all to you I surrender This Valentine, take me away And in your love, let me stay.

Bring me ever closer to you For without you, I quickly faint The sound of your name is fair My heart leaps like a little hare.

So, to you I willingly come Since in your embrace I belong And your kind shinning eyes Drives out my fears and lies.

81. Hips

It dangles lazily down The square-shaped back-head, Blondish, shinning in the shades Of the elements' brilliance Like a flock of newly-borns, It dances to the gyrating hips, And elegantly swings side to side Along her darling skin, Simple, slimy and sizzling The bends within its concaves, Reflecting the singing whispers Of perfect affinity. It leaves a gap – And her dancing skirt frolics with Enticing rhythms -The hips shower down to The knuckles, raising spasms of Splendor and The lips shyly branch to the Dripping colors; Hair so fair, A face drawn with grace.

82. More for Nothing

He woke up in the heart of the night "More of the same," he spoke to himself He gazed from his left and his right He was alone all by his self

He dressed in his old pairs of pajamas Which spoke to him all night long "See, you are still not famous You wonder and ponder, for how long?"

He tried to shut up his voluminous soul Closer to him than his own door He realized he was his own foe; All he chased was a dying shadow.

83. Sonnet to Buttocks

Let me be blunt, may the gods bear me witness I have no known wit, only basic mental fitness For the buttocks of a woman have pyrrhic lures The damage to the brain a man surely endures Buttocks – two friends beating from altered code Buttocks – two enemies traveling the same road Flesh bumps wiring the heart to its beautiful death Dazzling knocks denying Nature its needed breath Never looked at once, twice saints turn to sinners Eyes do salivate, even losers become winners Buttocks – lovely as morning dew, end to end Buttocks – gracious to behold, intellect they bend Oh, this adorable punishment, cold blood it boils And the virile engine of men it gladly oils.

84. Women Buttocks

Oh, these fleshly, uniqueness They come in all shapes, all fonts In all sizes, all forms and all sheds; Some are protruded, others flat Some are oblong, others long, Some are wide, others compact, But whatever they are, they are. Talk of juicy, crispy, chunky or fruity – All are embroiled in their ambience. Men turn more frequently, amazed, They look back commandingly, dazed. Oh, woman buttocks, They're not your usual sitting pads, They are more, they dance, and sing. Oh, what a beauty, what a thing. It's music to the senses, firm And tender to behold, calm. Oh, Gyrating Master, sweet pair A few can say bad of you, fair.

85. Ms. Taco

You're called many names, But you're known by all You live by two pillars of pure gold And have a sweet guard at the door Your entrance drips with honey Your taste, no money can buy Your voice, is silently lovely, Even when it is not talking. You conquer all, swallow all But you remain largely calm, hidden. You fail no-one not in a hurry, And disappoint none who cares. You have a punch, life flows; You generate electric current, Not even earth can shunt it; You're boisterous, callous, frantic, But you're sweetly, even toxic. The entire universe, worships you, And you captain all wondering nerves; You kill, and give life at the same time, In one shot, you destroy the world, And in the other, you rebuild it. You have three cute angles, a triangle, And an endeared soldier within, And no matter who looks at you, You cause hallucinations, tantrums. All eyes gaze intently where you stay, Absent-mindedly, they forget themselves; You capture all senses: Feelings, sight And even your smell is gorgeous. Oh, lovely Conche, wise umpire, Worthy opposites!

86. Love Star

My lucky star, bright, fine from afar In blue night dress, bare and fresh A beauty in human form, oh, Pure, my love A gift from above, softly gracious a voice Oh, how great a choice!

87. Recover, My Love

Recover my love, for thou art fair Recover, for all that we share Recover because I deeply care Recover, for our love is ever dear.

88. Song for Loves

Let me sing for you my love Let the song of love freely swell For all on you is nothing but well Your frame made from above!

You are a sample of divine creation A picture of saintly phathomation; Your curves speak of designer's craft And your contours, of an artist's graft!

A trophy so sacred to the winner For gods as men for you all stumble Your beauty, outer and inner Yet, so elegant and yet so humble!

89. Simple Love

I woke you up at midnight
Just to tell you I love you tight
I stroke through your bouncy hair
Just you can know I care
I spread the bed with followers
So, I can be with you for hours
I put the kids to sleep early
Just so I can stroke your belly
Fading Beauty.

Thou art strikingly beautiful Myriads boys and men adore thee Thy graces, divine Thy looks, splendid.

Thou hast won angels hallowed hearts Thy speech strikes with perfect codes Thy struts like a peacock Thy nature's aura, blissful.

Thou aren't gazed at only once The greatest among men for thee vie Thy thoughts, the wisest Thy visage, brilliance sparks.

Thou art secretly called Ruxtovia A name priceless to mention Thy old self, enchanted They present looks, fading.

90. One Step Too Beautiful

Lazily, out of Grand AM, she drops A ring chains her ankle A smile lines her face And a short skirt barely hides Her divine curves.

She is lean like a pine tree Slender like a bamboo branch Rare like golden diadems And scarce like diamonds.

Like a goddess, stately she walks Like rhythms of music, she talks Eyes brimming, like starry skies And her hair puffs like gazelles' flock.

She stands behind a counter To order coffee brewed by lords Hearts she blows whence she moves Wherever she goes men's hearts Sheeresly follow.

91. Shine Baby Shine

Shine baby shine Show them you can dance Strut baby strut Shindig and jive to rock and roll.

There are many lovely people There are few grumpy humans Only you can know them For they are real beauties.

Shine baby shine Shake up your frail figure Sing baby sing Show off your fleshly giggledoms.

The world is full of beautiful people The earth lacks no curved shapes And your joy is complete When you dance till you fall.

92. Beautiful People I

People are beautiful and helpful You drop a coin and they pick it up You get sick and they charge you a fee And when in trouble they call for police

People are special and kind They help you realize your dreams They give their best for you And pray that peace be on earth

People are gentle and nice Even on a rainy and murky day When the sun is on its head They brave all to make you happy

People are good and sweet They can be trusted for a short time They tolerate only when they're not hurt And do their utmost to laugh at failings

93. Beautiful People II

People are beautiful
They just don't know
When you help them out
They say thank you
When you share with them
They show their love
When you ask for more
They call you names.

94. Beautiful People III

People are beautiful When they are dying They are plain and truthful And they speak without lying

People are beautiful When they are buying They are nice and fruitful And they sell without spying

People are beautiful When they are trying They are focused and dutiful And they work without sighing

People are beautiful When they are flying They are gentle and mindful And they share without vying

95. Who You Marry

There is a thinking that is wrong A perception, lofty and unattainable But people will care who they marry And will know when it is too late

Men, overwhelmed by impulses Give their best strength to women And women, deceived by words Learn of a boy they hardly thought of

They marry only for the love of beauty And they hate it when it fades off Because in the flesh flows red blood And for the sake of it, life drains away

Let charm and splendor pass you by For such are forms in need of a spirit Women are trophies only when prized; Men are heroes when in the bed chamber

96. If I Were a Girl

If I were a girl
I would talk less
And listen more
I would humble myself
Even when I know
I am more intelligent
Than most boys

If I were a girl
I would balance
Between how I look
And I how I reason
I would not talk
About a boy I admire
Or repeat his name
Because I feel jealousy

If I were a girl
I would know boys better
Cook and dine early
Get kids to bed
And then tell myself
"I can make a good wife."

If I were a girl
I would not watch too much
Reality television
I will not question people
But I will let them know
That I have my own views
Of love

If I were a girl
I would occasionally be silly
Tell my hubby I needed him

Buy him little nothings And make him his best dish

If I were a girl
I would not be intimidated
I would look in shape
And prepare my work well
I would listen to great speeches
And make my own notes.

97. Recover, My Baby

These tiny limbs in agony lay In pain no language expresses On your side I am here to stay As your frame my soul depresses

I in goodwill spread my cards For your well-being I offer a prayer For your smile love it adds More million reasons you must repair

There is no occasion as this When my baby you say so little And for dad, anguish is all his To see you squeeze those hands

Oh, my little angel, recover again And let Dad stroke and tickle you For sickness shall not be your chain Many gifts of laughter are yours, too.

98. Juicy Hone-y

Truth still lingers deep in my fainting soul As words fail to come with sound verbal flow Even where there is no evidence In these chosen lines lies the essence:

"A goddess thou truly art And of pure gold, is thine heart"

With peacocks' majesty, you barely walk Like streams of quiet waters, is your fair talk For your bosom is a legend's armour That slays dead every aspiring charmer

Those who see your divine curves, die in awe A little chat with you, is a big score Many proudly court your grace and beauty In wordless thoughts they sigh, "Oh, how pretty!"

One word in vernacular rings true love "Yes, sweet chaos, but your email I must have!" For your name is fondest blend of Juicy And your heavenly lips drip pure Hone-y.

99. Deep Passion

Love that grows on strange paths Love that bears in scotched deserts Love that brings forth wild flowers Love that is forsaken and stained

So shall your sex be great tonight When your hearts shall fondly meet In a night full of verbal silences Where offence never brings a face

Your love which endures all elements The rain that pours over you is harsh The winds that blow past you is dirty And snow buries your soul alive

Love will be made sweeter today When two mute people shall talk Without words, in passion's depth groans Feelings so strong, and love so steep!

100. Love Like Before

Tell me your love is still good Done every night in the hood While days pass without food Since you don't mind that mood

I was taught by my religion To read only stories by the Gideon To abscond from lessons in the legion And fly away quickly like a pigeon

But the truth was later found When I was on a trip west-bound How many affairs end on mound? And divorce rates highly astound

Silence we cannot keep any more Hiding in our false beliefs and all While beds only regrets, they store When love can be good like before.

101. Zimba

Zimba was her last name A girl so cute and famous Boys would bate on her fame A girl so sweet and gorgeous

Whatever she played, she won Not by genius or sophistication But by how she was just born Full of nature and simplification

She always walked elegantly In beauty, she had no rivalry In looks, she needed no gallantry In grace, she attracted chivalry

So simple was what she wore That even simplicity had a brand And simply by saying "no" She simplified style without a wand.

102. I Die

I die in your love, my love If death comes this gently So, let me die a million deaths Kill me with a billion kisses

You break my power, O love Just with one squeeze of your touch

You scatter my lonely night
In the light of your presence
And you conquer my aching heart
Just at the point I feel your love
While the strength in me
Gives way to streams flowing
I feel the energy in you.

103. I Live

I live in the shadow of your love I breathe under the rhythm Of your gentle embraces I surrender at the altar Of unending kisses

Without you, I know not who I am
For only in your presence
Does my soul find joy
And my whole being
Find pure rest

Touch me and hold me closer to you In your arms my soul belongs
Take me and save me
From the stain pains
Of a lost heart.

104. Love I Know

Love I know
When my night turns to day
Love me more
When my grey turns to blue
Love I know
When what I touch turns to gold
Love must make whole
When my fears turn to strength
Love I know
When I am special and just myself.

105. She

She dangles lazily
With lips painted in heavenly red;
She wears a smile
Fashioned on the artist's carving bed;
She lies yonder,
Like several angels gloriously made;
And I say again,
I love her, tenderly, sweetly dead!

106. Angels without Wings

These little tender shoots In little beds tenderly sleep For all in me for them fends As I work tenderly for them

Angels with wings And gods without a heaven Who has known a queen Without a crown and throne!

Sleep, soundly sleep, O angels Close your pure and bleeping hearts Within my soul I shed a tear All I want is only your good

Sweetly and tenderly awake, O loves Though my bones be in pains And my strength all be gone Yet your heaven will be done

107. Little Loves

Sleep joyfully, my young loves Dream of angels and fairies Reach to grand laying fields And swing in heavenly colors

By your side I will stand When in thoughts and deed Your innocence loudly rings And forever you are blessed

Never will I leave you, O loves Never even when it rains In snow or in strong winds Shielding you I will for eternality

Forever, you will be mine In my heart, you will always be And when your wings grow With you I will fly to azure places

108. Like Heaven

Like the heavens be far and azure So, your enemies be far and unsure Like the grace that made your beauty So, God put an angel for your duty In this life you will know one thing That my love, for you is everything So gorgeous your beauty is to behold And this I see and I was not told May your God in truth bless you; Beauties like yours are rare and few!

109. Wife

You are the flower of my exotic gardens The light in the darkest part of my heart The cheese on my tasteless cake And the energy that makes my soul roar.

If I say I love you, and you don't believe
If I say you move my every being
And you're still uncertain
Then know that it doesn't make it any less true.

Girl, you are simply the best, the first and the most Girl, you're to me everything I dream about Girl, don't be too mad or too disturbed, Girl, we differ to love each other better.

110. Exception Has a Name

You wear an aura of difference A statement of distinction An emblem of resourcefulness And an element of exceptionality

You are a symphony of many sounds Yet a ring of expensive perfumes You glitter with a strong presence Yet soft like the heavens be smiling

The girls all around the world marvel They match not your charm of travel They gossip in quitters mambo jumbo Your genius, never shall ever stumble

111. Black Beauty

It's not the brightness of color Or the lack of it; It's the proportions – ditto – Same from ear to ear; Pimples squeezed, melodiously Into cheering eyebrows; Cheeks squared, deliciously Spacious, face ripe and Just the right size; Lips – of perfect congruency – In shape and size, luscious And proportionately accurate; Of the entire countenance, Value and shape meet together, Strength and grace mellow Into a framework tender and divine, In dimples, a playing field of joy, And all admix into Mona Lisa idyll; Beauty - is not what you see, Beauty – is what you feel.

112. Marriage Myth

One is as ten, as 20 is like 50
The open kingdom of duality
Is the most closed dons of secrets.
Those who marry young may be spared,
But not even many years of living together,
Entitles couples to truth.
It is like a radio
Which plays all your favorites,
And yet you know little of the singers.
Music is like a pain-killer,
And marriage is like a sharp-shooter.
It bothers that people be one,
Only in money problems, if lucky.
Though their hearts be far, their minds are closer.
For more they share, the more they care.

113. Thank the Bra

To men, it is a piece of silky cloth Of two equal flaps and a string; It may wangle in black or in white; Floral replicas are not uncommon, Yet, it is still a bra.

Secrets for decades it has carried For cultures, and tastes in it meet For sure order and shape it brings And the chest of women it comforts.

Thank the bra when the babies grow And their faces glow; Thank the bra since a breast is more Than just a blessed ball.

114. Flesh and Bones

They grow powerful,
And they are still humans;
Flesh and bones
Elegantly avoid each other
Like the shores of
The same sea;
In riches as in poverty
Flesh and bones remain;
Black and White
With dreams they die
For in soils
Warm or cold they lie.

115. Lovely the Dance

On a bright sunny day
All you want is a cool stay
And a pal who is a glory
For you need it for a cute story
Oh, how good the moves to me
When they dance, I do see
Sweet also to my memories
And elegant in her mummeries
Are all her little nothings
As lovely to me in all things!

116. Diminished Beauty

You walk in our streets naked For nothing; You share your well-made body Willingly, free of charge; You are on a mission to expose yourself More than you need to; And you are determined to upset morality Even for one-day glory; Your beauty is like food, Good when you hunger, And naughty with plenty on platter; Moderation wins hearts, Even the goddess of Selfishness In Reason's chamber bows; Your nakedness is your currency, To exchange it with virtue, And to show off in hidden valleys With consideration.

117. Sex Aren't Love

There is something mysterious about love And beauty when done with grace above; For many have had a great sex experience But it was only a matter of expedience.

When love is made, it brings great happiness, Because time cures all blame and nappiness. A woman's body is a lock intricately combined, Only with patience can it be delicately aligned.

Anyone can win an orgasm through sex But only love wins hearts and makes flex. It pays null to rush the art of love-making; Its end result is nothing but heart-breaking.

Once a sage said: "Weak men force ladies," And, "Not all strong men drive Mercedes." To win the war, you must lose the battle, For great love happens inside of her chattel.

Men are ready when they erect a tower, They are feared when they rise to power; But she is not, even with upright nipples, And only kind words pacify the ripples.

The golden rule of love-making is in this: "Love her before you make a kiss," And the second is like the first, "Enter only when she's at her burst!"

118. Musonda

This love, that my wings be cast on the sea This love, the brightest in your eyes I see, In your hand melts love's melodies at best, Every morn, I awoke to your palms' first, You carried a heart of a true mother And cared for me more than several other, Yet, you were a silent lover of skins; When you came under unlike many kins, I knew you'd carry me through the gravel To Mibenge where we meant to travel; Oh, to you I owe an introduction, Musonda, And tenderly, you did an under-skin agenda.

119. Poetry of Sex

Open; let not your mind blame you Show me how you are made Let me tremble in the majesty Of your nakedness.

Sleep still, stride a bed of roses Break the limbs, let them stretch wide, Strip off all; reveal your hidden gem, Your sanctimonious fantasies; Close your eyes, and open your heart, And let me walk you in the paths Of Nature, the silence of passions.

Awake slowly, like charcoal flames,
And die even slower, as in heated ovens,
In your hair, let me find pasture;
In your eyes, the shining beams of angels;
In your mouth, wonderful are your golden
Jewells of honey;
And in your dimples,
The intense goblets of mixed fruits.

Let me follow the delicate edges Of your erect nipples, The pink smells of your upped And well-sequestered breasts; Let me sink in the sweet tunnels, Just below your brazen altar, Near the triangular Peninsular Of ecclesiastical sacredness;

Let me get lost in the forest of pubics, In the dark shadows of your well-watered gardens; Do not weed, I beg, do not week all, Let me feel the sharp stings of your Innocuous venom, the taste of your Never-ending charms;

Squeeze me, I pray, till my request Be granted, Release me from the ephemeral trap, And lift me to Marineland To revel in the fear of heights, The dying sensation of the sky screamers;

Kiss me, kiss me deep, deeper than my tongue Can speak,
Thrash me with a single blow of your breath,
To open wide the rivers of sweet larva,
The Hotspring of boiling syrup,
Oh, with you only, let me live,
And without you, let me die.

120. Painful Thought

There is a beauty so much dear A person who so moves thine life That thou art made to drop a tear; To breed grief wherein rage is rife

She puts elements in thine soul
The eternal chip that so stings
That thine physical being, and more
From this point forward moves and springs

Beauty is who she plainly is Bright as the fullest morning star For the real package is all his To cause avowed foes hard to spar

She beams with eyes of love and peace, High weights of concern and vain fights So, weave jointly into one piece, That thine hurtly ego within frights

This smile that thou have, O dearest Takes ruthless tolls on myriad minds And breathes shivers without rest; That thy nimble limb wobbly winds!

A painful thought, O flawless Ruth In exile a prince thou rejected Till late thou stumbled on the truth; Still, thou art missed; how dejected!

121. Women

Women:

They were meant to be loved Their bodies look like They were meant to be loved Their voices sound like They were meant to be loved Their eyes shine like They were meant to be loved Their mouths speak like They were meant to be loved Their stories tell like They were meant to be loved They are weaker than men For they were meant to be loved They are made from inside out Because they were meant to be loved They have a nature Soft and hard That's why they have to be loved They possess the sweetness Of honey But they sting like bees To show that they were meant to be loved They walk with a lion's pride Gyrate with peacock's vanity Think with a serpent's sharpness Relate with chameleon skills Attract like a magnet And kill with a scorpion's venom.

It is a verity, They were meant to be loved!

122. So Lucky, So Jackie

So rare, and yet so beautiful
That these two should be found in one
So charmed, so wonderful
That the strongest only should have won
So special to behold, so gracious to have
Oh, so heart-thrusting is your tender love
How that among women you stand alone
So Jackie, so lucky, so much so divine!

123. How Lovely

How lovely, the embraces of my lady
How darling her eyes when they bend
She covers herself in shy fur sturdy
She is all smiles to the very end
Who can argue, she is not gorgeous
Her face does tell it, her heart sings it
But closer, she is diamond for obvious
And in her perpetual bosom, all is fit
How lovely the sweet games of loving
How vital to life the rims of her carving.

124. Ten Out of Ten

Oh, My all, I love you You're cute, too I yield at your feet And I am complete Your mildness wins me Your allure sets me free You are, indeed, my power The scent, hue of my flower In the silence of your embrace My nagging doubts you do erase In the shining beauty of your hands I hide from false and imperfect brands Surely, you compare to nothing I've won Our hearts are matching twins, they beat as one.

125. From Canada with Love

I told you when I was leaving That I will never forget about you You were worried, you were angst I insisted that I had to go far way You said, "My dear, remember me," And I have never forgotten your plea. Oh, my mother, you are getting older, And you have earned many grandkids And acquired enormous wisdom. From abroad, my dearest mother, I have sired for you three daughters, They long to see you, to hug, kiss you. They ask, "When will we visit nanna?" And I answer them, "Soon, my loves." Oh, my mother, you've loved me Like no-one has or could or would. I'll keep my promise, I'll bring you here To see your other family, in Canada. Stay well, stay healthy, time will come.

126. Pain of Our Departure

I didn't tell you before I left Though it looked like a theft, That you loved me, like a son. I can't ignore what you've done; You took me in like your own, You fed me; I didn't feel alone. I am now established in Canada And I have daughters by Kanata. Surely, it is a village of all villages; It has given me many privileges. But home is home, Oh, Mudala. We're attached like a parabola. And those moments we prayed And in many nations, we played, You stood tall with me, unflinching. And I will stand by you, clinching. Like father and child, we're forever. Sooner, I'll rekindle our endeavor. Don't listen to naysayers, cynics. I love you, ignore all the critics.

127. Friends Forever

You see me when I am naked And you cover me;
You know that I am weak And you make me strong;
You understand my doubts And you believe in me;
You uncover my enemies' plans And you prove them wrong;
You find me low, and defeated And you wrap me with love.
You knew I was broke, desperate And you gave more to have;
You discerned I was getting lost You kept me in prayers.

128. Love

I long, long truly for you I miss you, and it is true Oh, come be my love Be mine to have I love you yes, I do are too few My words You're my life my very best You have no flaws in you, Oh my dearest Your heart, O my lover, is of pure gold You're lovely, so tenderly to behold And you shine, brightly like a star Yes, truly, so beautiful you are Oh, my Darling, you're fair Indeed, Oh, how rare You're on my mind You're very kind My very treat Cute, sweet Of rest Best!

129. Sunshine

You are my sunshine, my one and only You bring warmth in my shivering soul You heal my ever-painful heart valves You elongate my days, shorten my nights Your whispers in the phone, I repeat all, And you have char, Oh, loved one No-one can resist; you're the moon's pal Surely, you will be mine, I hope and pray.

130. Charsian Song, I

[Gentleman]

You trotted lovingly along Lumumba Road On your mind, you carried a very big load It was your floral bright white long dress That revealed the elegance that you possess. You stood out among the ecclesiastic class You were distinct, even in a crowded mass. You were perfect, made from divine ivory Your heart as well as your attire, of finery, No wonder my heart loved and fell for you Even as years have passed, you remain true. You're quiet by conduct, but wiser than sages It always felt like I had known you for ages. You came as a present wrapped in silicone You're rare, gentle, gregarious as a pelican. You said very little, and spoke no single word I looked round; you had flown away like a bird.

131. Charsian Song, II

[Lady]

Everyone loved you, my dear, yes, they did, And I knew many who for you made a bid. I said, "Do I stand a chance, can I try?" You were a very popular and zealous guy. My dream came true when you liked me, When you came very close to my knee. At first, it was like I was just dreaming; I believed when me you started esteeming. You have been my truest lover ever since, And nothing can otherwise me convince.

132. Charsian Song, III

[Gentleman]

Limited by my faith, my love I couldn't show, And yet, without saying it, you knew so. You understood that I loved you at first sight, And from the start, I longed to hold you tight. Time came, and we sat and talked endlessly, And your voice resounded in me tenderly. I couldn't sleep for days, just thinking of you, Hitherto, I had met many, but you were new. You struck me as someone intelligent, smart But then, what I liked most, was your heart. You sounded as sweet as you had behaved You were gentle, and you were also saved. We became friends, and we have been since, Oh, a charm you've been, a rare, tasty quince. Before you, I had never known such love, Such longing forever to behold and to have, Yet, I was inhibited by the rations of my faith; "What shall I do; has this become my wraith?" I pondered, while thinking of a better way, And, indeed, finally came that romantic day.

133. Charsian Song, IV

[Lady]

You are the one I love, my heart knows I am the petal of your sanctified rose. The very day I saw you speak, I knew To you my soul, heart long, yes, they do. I had been loved before, been cared for; When I met you, my soul declared war. You were as sweet and gentle as you spoke, And as serious and blunt as your joke. Surely, you have captivated all my mind And to others, my eyes have turned blind. You're like a hero who has gone on a trip, Each day, I do long for your returning ship. Even to I see you in time, hear your voice, You're still to me, the first and last choice. The things I have done with you alone, They rhyme with me perfectly, intone.

134. Charsian Song, V

[Gentleman]

There is only one proof, Oh, my lovely doe I've not forgotten you in the land of snow, Nor has my heart stopped beating for you, For perfect beauties like you, are very few. Your leg, feet, grub me like boa constrictor, The pain that I feel, you're the sane inflictor. Many years have come and have also gone, Yet, it is your lovely name that I do spawn. Oh, love, to what can I exactly compare it? It's like treasure for which one is disparate, And when he has it, he's nervous to handle, And only lets it spark brightly like a candle.

135. Charsian Song, VI

[Lady]

Surely, I make excuses for you, I know, Sometimes all I just want to say is "hello." You are the love of my life, my true hero And I will not always sit in the rear row. You're always on my lips, in my thoughts, I know in your heart; I am not of naughts. Our love knows no limit, is unconquerable, And, indeed, it's divine, it's incomparable.

136. Never Left

You live in a planet called Mailaco
The place so divine yet so local
You shine fondly with the wisdom of an angel
For so, I felt it when we tasted thy life gel
How that all these years, fond memories do linger
How that the thought of you will die no longer
For no moment, no comment will erase thy finesse
No tragedy will nudge thy eternal fineness
Forever thy gentle touch will ever be felt;
You're lovely, tightly hold me again like a belt.

137. Kristin

Oh, Kristin, of Canada at Ontario
Oh, how you planned to betray me,
Like a fox, you worked every scenario.
You tried to force me to blindly agree;
And to choose rather to offer on phone
And omit it intentionally in the text.
You've a bitter poisoned heart of stone,
So, in your mind, I was just to be next.
Oh, lucky, luckily, I saw it in between
Before you lied and had me be a scene.

138. 100 Reasons

1.	Because you love Jesus
2.	Because you are smart
3.	Because you know and serve God
4.	Because the fear of God is in you
5.	Because you pray for others
6.	Because you love Church
7.	Because you read the Bible
8.	Because you're the most forgiving
	person I know
9.	Because you pray regularly
10.	Because you have a giving heart
11.	Because I have no idea why you love
	me
12.	Because you know my weaknesses but
	you still love me
13.	Because you challenge me to live
	right
14.	Because you correct me when I am
	wrong
15.	Because you chastise me when I am
	stupid
16.	Because you work hard
17.	Because you try to understand
	what I am doing
18.	Because you sometimes think of my
	welfare
19.	Because you tolerate my worst
	habits
20.	Because you believe in me
21.	Because you think that I am the
	smartest person you know
22.	Because when I am weak you are
	strong
23.	Because you respect me
24.	Because you called me "babe!"

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25.	Because you know my fears and you
	press me to go on
26.	Because you encourage me to work hard
27.	Because you compliment me
28.	Because you sometimes cook for me
29.	Because you insist, I work out
	although it is tough
30.	Because you love healthy and fitness habits
31.	Because you love me even if I am
	broke
32.	Because you are willing to relocate with
	me
33.	Because you will not leave me even if
	have less resources
34.	Because you're creative
35.	Because I don't worry about
	financial management; you're a
	guru
36.	Because you have faith that I will
	always provide
37.	Because I feel very accountable to you
	Because you behave like me
	sometimes; very stubborn
38.	Because you don't give up on a
	dream, till it is accomplished
39.	Because you don't want to beg; you
	work with your own hands
40.	Because when you love something
	you give it all your strength
41.	Because you want to always know
	where I am
42.	Because I call you "Sweetheart" and
	never realized it is not your name.
43.	Because you value my presence
44.	Because you speak pleasant sometimes

45.	Because you know how I love a cup of
	honey-lemon tea

- 46. Because you like competing with me, and I always let you win, deliberately
- 47. Because I have never known anyone as attentive to details as you, you actually fact-check me
- 48. Because when I am with you, I feel complete
- 49. Because I have gone to places where I have never gone with any other person
- 50. Because when you like something in other men, you want to improve it upon me
- 51. Because even after knowing you for many years, I still want to know you better
- 52. Because the more years pass, the more I long for you
- 53. Because you say sorry when you know you're wrong, rarely with words
- 54. Because you say "Thank you" when I do or say something for you, unofficially
- 55. Because you know when to back off from an argument
- 56. Because you take risks for me
- 57. Because you do and say everything to make me look good before others
- 58. Because you go a distance to defend me before the world
- 59. Because you will do everything for my name to be honored
- 60. Because you are willing to die for me
- 61. Because you esteem my opinion
- 62. Because you bring the best out of me

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- 63. Because no matter where or whom you are with, you are always thinking about me
- 64. Because you sharpen my character, and intellect
- 65. Because you are there when I need you, no matter the time or distance
- 66. Because you don't pretend everything is okay when improvement is needed
- 67. Because you do give up on habits you know I may not like
- 68. Because you love children and are concerned about family
- 69. Because you sometimes sacrifice all you have for others
- 70. Because you go out of your way to ensure others are well
- 71. Because you don't pretend to be someone else
- 72. Because you love shopping (too much, sometimes)
- 73. Because you invest everything you have in a relationship
- 74. Because you care deeply for the future
- 75. Because you care deeply for the earth
- 76. Because you love knowledge and learning
- 77. Because you've done everything to make sure that you buy a house or houses
- 78. Because you devote enormous amount of time searching for cost-saving deals
- 79. Because I know I can trust you no matter what

80.	Because you understand that there is
	room for improvement
81.	Because you're the loveliest soul I
	know
82.	Because you're not just beautiful,
	you're very humble
83.	Because you can be as funny
	sometimes as you want to be
84.	Because you love to make yourself
	sexy, sometimes
85.	Because you make me happy
86.	Because you are patience in love-
	making (you have the grace of
	patience)
87.	Because you value and respect your
	body
88.	Because you respect and honor the
	marriage bed
89.	Because you are the sweetest thing that
	I know
90.	Because you have the warmest heart,
	ever
91.	Because I cannot have enough of you
92.	Because I know I need you
93.	Because you are my guardian angel
94.	Because I can propose you again
95.	Because it's like you were made just
	for me, literally
96.	Because I cannot be without you
97.	Because you are the answer to my
	prayers
98.	Because you bear children, even if you
	didn't, I would still love you
99.	Because I don't like to see you
	unhappy
100.	Because the only thing that lovelier
	than love, is you

139. Glorious in Beauty

Lovely like a well-baked sweetery
In soothing attire, she is glittery
Built from angelic elements, she struts
Graceful, spirited and cutely, she thrusts
She does everything right, calm as a well
She is diligent, accomplished as a tail
Glorious in beauty, perfect in manners
She's a trophy wand for winners.

140. Love's Instrument

Make me an instrument of love Not to desire to be above May others I consider better And for those better than me not to feel bitter That I may seek others to serve And not my comfort to save That I should think more highly of all I have met And not pretend that I am great If I should be brought to shame Let it be because what I desire is Your fame For those less privileged than me Let me their needs see All I have learned and achieved, with others may I share And if anyone is hurt or bereaved, for such may I care If possible, may I not be known for anything Other than that, I am trying and I am nothing May I not only think of my interest But be concerned with the good of the rest Teach me to number my days So, each hour I may follow Your ways And suffer me not to look down on others But to treat all as sisters and brothers.

141. Like a Breath

Like breath, I know that you're always there
Like breath, you're present and always here
And yet, like breath, we least think you're there
And like breath, we need you every day here
When life is threatened, and we are short of breath
Down into our souls we search, even to the very
depth
Oh. Claric my leve my life wife of my youth

Oh, Claria, my love, my life, wife of my youth, Like breath, I need you, that's Valentine's truth.

142. Sweet as Sky is Skype

New as old, so memories of thy childhood haunt Like a thin leaf, silently waking up from the flaunt So, our souls neatly weave into ephemeral's deep So, our thoughts, once novice and thither grip Oh, sweet to remember are all the words unsaid Sweet still to know are all the joys unplayed.

143. Like Two Ways

You and I met a long time ago like two ways
We built a relationship that lasts many years
Like two paths, our beginning is in other direction
Like two paths, we have tender, mutual affection
The outgrowths have gone, and also have come
The storms have raged and also become calm,
Yet, your hearts have grown softer and younger
Your memories are louder and now stronger
Because friends like you are hard to come by —
And friendships like ours shall never at all die.
That's why now as ever before, you I cherish
Our dear love and trust will forever flourish
And though time shall end, know this once
My longing of you, will never lose an ounce.

144. Lovely to Have

You can't look at nature and fail to grin at beauty You can't gaze at peacock and fail to whisper, "Cutie"

The wild sceneries along the banks of the river, flower

The croaking frog, purring fishes in them, shower There's a memo in the sunrise, and a song when it sets

The moon makes the night glow, the starts its air it wets

You see the zebra graze in the shades, black and white

And hear the lion roar to tenors silhouetted gang fight

Listen to woman's bottoms gyrating inside your head,

Have you pondered she dances to rhythms unheard?

God must have been deliberate, now consider the birds

Their morning melody, minds it wakens, resolves it girds

And these angels called children, O, how lovely to have

For a gift they are, God be thanked, pleasure He gave.

145. Write for You

She came up, smiling, she said, "Dad, I want to write like you" Or "read your works, I said." My daughter has an injection of hope A lullaby that puts lassitude to sleep, And she means life can be extended. I come to the reason I will write, Oh, my love, once again, Not for the world to read, Only if that world meant you; Not for all to appreciate, Unless you had said mine was yours. I write for you, sweet Emmerance, And you shall love my lines, Oh, sweet Tashany-Idyllia; And I never forget your tender heart, Your lively mind and beautiful face, For you mean the whole life to me. And for you, sweet Cuteravive, My play doll, my endeared doll, Oh, my dear and flawless Claria, A wife who is also wise, My true friend, my moral campus.

146. Ode to Aushi Women

In the area of Luapula
The nut-growing marsh of Mansa
Drums loudly beat on scapula,
Whence flat bottoms are but cancer!

She is just a small tender girl You can count her black pubic hair Her chest empty like a funnel While her nipples are red and bare.

She prods on Bangueulu plateaux With silly gazelle-like blushes; She only prefers troupes of twos With virgin peers in the bushes.

The rare wisdom of her betters Has not yet charmed her frail figure; She is shy through her dried fetters And her lips are out and bigger.

She is not a woman, per say Her blood is still cold and impure Because the moon is far away To chaste her fresh and to endure.

She has not danced *Infunkutu*, The arrangement of three drums, The ancient rhythm from Timbuktu; Nor won the dry skins of wild rams.

She will be taught *Akalela*To learn how to open taut legs
And she will know *Amalela*To make kids from fertilized eggs.

They will soak her in Munwa stream To broaden her pelvis And fulfill her childhood dream; To break the curse of a novice.

The sweet juice of soundless rivers Elongates her womanly shaft To cure every natural fevers And purge the lucky winner's haft.

Her sully frame will be made firm Decked with Kolwe's pure diadems To date, she has well-run her term And will earn the prize of rare gems.

Outside, she is cramped with shivers; Her life's canal is perfected And her full pulse proudly quivers; But her self is unaffected.

Her body is bottle in form, Her nipples are now hard and full, Her buttocks are firm and uniform And her waist is mellow to pull!

She has been accepted by Ra Goddess of the erect solar, And the shining fruit goes to her, To court gods of the other polar.

She's joined the Aushi women's core Who cause charcoal to burn brightly And make impotent nobles whole, To mix blood and water rightly. She can now handle Mandingo, The killer of angry male lions, That dancer of the hailed tango Who with just bare hands breaks irons!

Prefer we the Aushi women With their ever-protruding backs Which confuse sanity in men And accord night the force it lacks.

Their place in humanity Loses its share in virility, Gains it in masculinity And modes it in fertility!

She kills the eyes of on-lookers And she is not for press showings. Suitors treasure her like vodkas And her heart beats higher than wings.

Do not expose her publicly; Her nude was made for great virtues. They pass-out rather too quickly; Those who resist, become statues.

A love son of Luapula soil Has never known to marry two. Legend has it that he will toil And his garden, he will not do.

Oh, these Luapula Aushi curves, How succulent their deep bosom, In which mankind vibrates life's waves And men's desires bloom and blossom!

CHARLES MWEWA

Sing to her gyrating shifts
And swing through her softly paired rifts.
Mark nimbly her alluring nod
And make safe love in fleshly gold.

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147. Nature's Love

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148. Nature Says It

I look intently at the wonder of nature and sigh That the creator must be a genius who works For all the intricacies found in the wild And the simplicity we may not see The delicacy of all creativity altogether fancy And of all that we may overlook;

In the tree trunk we find beauty, just as in a leaf In birds pecking their wings and dragon flies landing

In animals hides as in their procreativity, In the snake's eyes and tongue, in poisons and myrrh

Just as in the streams of quiet waters as in waterfalls

For so all creation in plain view speaks

In man we marvel at such a being as complex, Yet we see not how all for good come to labor For nothing in nature compares to imagination's pond

But yet still we faint at the sight of what is internal In this we have a pledge life cannot afford to honor

Only that we should live wonders to admire for eternity.

149. When Death Be Sweeter

Our days shall be told as a flower when its petals be withered

Thank the sun, O you lovely blends of Nature's blessed azure

A bird shall not fly when only one of its sides be not feathered

Ask the ant, for it knows where its food comes from for sure

Neither in accumulations nor accomplishments lies our value

But in that eternal gem of service and kindness one to another

In vain we hurt innocence, erecting statue after statue

In this we find true light and joy, in loving each as a brother

O you, your strength you spend on chasing money and fame

Do stop and pause, how much of it shall you take to the grave?

For riches may be desirable, but better still is a good name

They who will say, "I am sorry, forgive me," these are brave

But those who love others as themselves, these will never die

Though they be all but bones, their soul will ever live on high.

150. The Heart

This – life's pumping flesh – deserves another look The pulsating veins, their militant force they hook The tenacious aortas, endless ventures they book The beat they drum, melodious moments they brook

Whence to life, to light and bright purpose it stays The chanting of its chambers, death on fours it slays

The silence of its valves, the ballet dancer must stop,

The composer's muteness merges to eternal drop And the source that moves a clock's singing needle,

Will, today, become a still, stalled, rusting riddle.

151. Saying Sorry

You say, to say sorry is a sign of weakness I say that, not saying sorry is wickedness For those who freely forgive one another Have also won back a sister and a brother To be good friends for a hundred years We'd have to bear each other in many ways I admit, I will wrong you many times over But I confess, I will always love you forever Even when you don't think that I mean it My intention is to build, that is my spirit For you and you, who I have done wrong to I ask you now, forgive me, I love you, too.

152. Fruitless Lullaby

Cry thee till night should
Turn to day
And laugh where no rhythms are
On the way
The loves of yesteryear are
Elegant in youthful form
And the singing we make is silenced
By winter's storm
Till we age and only these memories
We shall relish
And in them our sons and daughter
We dare to embellish.

153. Each Face

Each face brings to one a dance, Each time a story the years have told For we shun not the first fruits of prime In ancient, rustic and eventful youth So much we don't see when we leave And meet again, and hope springs life.

154. Thank God I'm Black

Since my birth, my mother told me I was me, a human

That on this earth, there was only one race, from one man

That was the faith, the belief I hold on even up to today

Whether in mirth or deep sorrow, in this hope I stay

That I'm black, that I have no regrets, and no lack Thank God I am no other, thank God I'm black

Growing up as a child, I had no illusion of race, or of color

I frolicked freely into the field, no need of place, or of valor

My dreams were mild, my heart at rest, my vision clear

All around me was beauty-wide, grandeurs and dear

That I'm black, that it mattered less, it left no mark Thank God I am brother to all, thank God I'm black

Then I grew much older, I was silenced by invisible words

My blood began to get colder, I discovered many worlds

My nights became shorter, my friends fewer, I was lost

My days turned hotter; innocence became tempest-tossed

That I'm black, it mattered more, it cut like a shark's teeth

Thank God I am not another's slave, thank God I'm black

I am known by many synonyms, black or even African

Sometimes by antonyms, "of color" or even black American

I am sung in hymns, though in the rainbow I am omitted

I am a butler or servant in films, in prison I am committed

That I'm black, I absorb all colors of people in me, am not stuck

Thank God I am father to diversity, thank God I'm black

Now I know, I am proud to be black, I make white pure

Even more, I fit all shades, I am universal, I make light sure

And above all, I am tolerant, I embrace cultures, I forgive

I have a goal – to be everything to all peoples, to give

That I am black, it is not the same as being dark Thank God I am a mother to humanity, thank God I'm black

155. Moody Toronto Whether

They wake up, day in and night out, in self-denial And all long, they leave her just how they founder her

She brags of multiple husbands, all still in selfdenial

And why not, she determines the day and maps the night

While they sleep, she sneaks into a cold room and turns it low

The men stout, children flout, but senior moult, The women, her rivals, shout, "Increase heat the more!"

In one day, she changes her moods into three matters

In the morning, men hate her, she frees her cold sores

In long jumpers, pajamas and shovels, men clear the while vomitus

In the afternoon, she extends her long legs, to open her pores

At night, she springs to the South and summers in the East

Her husband, the people, does not know what she is doing

He searches from the swelling North to the dipping West

But he comes up empty, dumped and stops going.

156. Heartcry

Perfection, to you is a garment That fits my soul; You're an epitome of beauty infantile And grace admixed in perfect measure; Oh, this windily figure who moves hearts With every step she moves heavens And in every absence, oh my soul you crash; Each day I live in the shadow of Your fond remembrances; Your heart, that fleshly gem in crimson, Crafted from marble sinews, Tender like angels' wings, And lovely as a queen's chamber; In your bosom mind and matter consent, My untrained voice sings a song, And my hands scribble lover's lines; You stand as a mighty tower And those legs taste like honey to behold, To brag about your love is in order, To say, "I feel you good" is bolder; Oh, Heartery, its poetry, lovely and true Oh, Heartery, like a woman, I love.

157. The Mighty Fall

When the mighty fall So, their arrogance go In praises and song, they are sung But forlorn they never again sprung

When the mighty fall Media houses make more They mislay when they are low While in past victory they flow

When the mighty fall And their worlds with them all For in their stories, deified In their fall, they are Satanized

When the mighty fall
Their pomp with them falter
In fame their worthy ever glow
In their shame all their prides swelter

When the mighty fall Should we also not fall? We love them in their glory Shouldn't we lose in their gory?

158. Aren't Just a Number

In this land of many chances And opportunities I still feel like just a number Nay, am not just a number, a color Nay, have a clan, a tribe, a culture Nay, says I am not just a number The medium is the peace They pander like others are events And they announce to exclude us Nay, am not just existing Nay, I have a talent, a habit Nay, I have character and manners The West is color-blind, let them say The East has people who are persons And the South is not an island Let the people of color emerge And let them be a people, no a number Aren't just a number Am a human being.

159. Someone Help

What shall I say When my mouth is treason Where can I go When my home is a prison

Where shall I stay When I don't have a reason How can I dream When chilly winter is my season

How shall I walk When my land is forsaken How could I dance When my feet are but broken

What shall I talk
When my tongue has nev'r spoken
How can I speak
When my soul within is shaken.

160. Fits Any Size

Size does count
But only the size of the heart
In shapes, humans come
And of diverse looks, they balm.

Ugliness is only fiction, But lovely is every mind Within every human story With a Yeoman's history.

Sex is cheaper than love For with toys

Humans may find pleasure But only with geniality Does any size fits.

161. Summer Dammar

The shoes that I am wearing Have steel toes And the glass through which I gaze Is tinted within

I count hours, like accounting for pecks And the tick of the watch Stands suspended, like a kite As if life has given up tryin'

The clothes that I am wearing Have steel imbedded inside And the map through which I peep Will lead me straight home.

162. Sounds

Faces, cold, sullen and morbid Blood, bold, sour, and sordid Memory plays on your views And hear sounds without news.

Hear the rhythm the drums fuse Tear down the mask they use Ululate and whistle in Bemba And set aflame a blinking ember.

Oh, the music of striking laughter Composition of a native drifter The shadows eastward tire To set shaking waists on fire

The land comes awake every night Daughters line to see sons fight There is a party within a feast And winners are crowned with a fist.

163. Diapers

These diapers long gazed upon As they whimper through time On mere papers of rare cushion And the dream of healthy babies

Though the diapers be wet Through the blinking of mirrors Their smell breed memories And in them stories we keep.

Your name is like sticking gum Your speech is a blubbing charm Your limbs nimble and tender And in our hands rests your pure heart.

This summer we tread the mall Wearing only flaps and little Os And changing many, many diapers With love-dots on joyful wipers.

164. Oh, My God

Oh, my God, wow! What wows is an owl An owl lives in the trees The trees grow in a forest The forest in which birds hide Hiding from slings and stones Stones of lime and marbles Marbles which built the city The city is Ottawa Ottawa is in Ontario Ontario is a province A province is in Canada Canada is a country Country is a kind of music Music may be hip-hop Hip-hop is an art Art is made by brush and paint Paint is of many colors Colors may be in orange Orange is a citrus fruit Fruit may be sour or sweet Sweet is like sugar Sugar is from sugarcane Sugarcane is grown in Brazil Brazil won the 2002 World Cup World Cup was in South Africa South Africa is in Africa Africa is a continent A continent has nations Nations may be Zambia Zambia has 13 million people People have different names Names like John or Mwewa Mwewa is in Bemba Bemba is a tribe

A tribe consists of nationals Nationals have races Races may be white or black Black absorbs light Light comes from the sun The sun is in the sky The sky is in heaven Heaven is, oh my God, God's holy throne.

165. Newspapers

North of newly built station and East of the empty plot of land is West of the well-known bank, and South of the coliseum's magic block

People read news everyday
And there is no day without it
Papers are spread out in layers
Early each morning just before
Roads become filled with people
Selling and buying newspapers.

166. Bemba Tales

This bird looks like My own mother Even the eyes look like My own mother The mouth looks like My own mother Even the ears look like My own mother

Pounded groundnuts
Do you look like
Your mother or father?
For your mother is beautiful
Though you may look like
Your own father,
Resemble your mother
For she is beautiful

This stick is mine
I saw it at *Katenta*This stick resembles my own
I got it at *Katenta*

This stick of mine has spots This stick of mine has dots This stick of mine is speckled This stick of mine is Black and white

This stick is dappled Like a leopard This stick is stippled Like a tiger This stick is freckled Like a giraffe This stick is speckled Like a zebra.

167. Music in Zambia

Nerves are cold, sullen and unexecuted Energy is sour, squalid and inundated Memory plays against views All that is seen are souls without spirit

Miss the rhythm that skins ooze Hear the sounds of tar-marked drums Speak with a waist and a hand And brace awake to pure ecstasy

Music in Zambia is our brew The sun showers with delight Shades dance and smug White flowers gather to cheer

Places are bumpy and brown Mountains laugh with their chests Valleys whisper within spaces And in Zambia music speaks Louder than echoes.

168. Free Soil

People, people begin to make room To let the white-shadowed groom Pass through to his fated doom To gain shape after one zoom

They are not ashamed to brag About the newly-scented rag On which the Queen of hip-hop lags Followed by boys carrying bags

It is a land where fools carry wallets And the wisely-born hold mallets To shape effigies and chisel wood In order to gain a penny for food

The snake winds lazily in rush hour As tolled-cars small and large cower In the heat of slowly-burning oil Where hearts curse costs of free soil.

169. No Sorry Life

There is nothing light about life You may make it lighter if you can The more lightened you become You know it is not done lightly

Do you carry something heavy? Do you have hands heavily tied? Is this life heavier to you? And the heaviest is lurking still?

You need easier ways to conquer Refuse to pick on easy routes And face tough times with ease Whenever you can, take it easily

All the difficulties of life Do teach us nothing about difficulty As when you help in difficult times You, difficultly, make it to the end.

170. Nests of Newmarket

She looks through the window In the gravel by green meadows As her heart dances to the flaps Of the skipping scarlet macaw

This uniform, so naturally dark This scream, which shudders nature These parrots, in their raw colors Their wings, readily they wag

Here and there moves whimper Up and down their beaks simper Side to side raises echoes deeper Tether to thither lovers get hyper

171. The Way You Are

I love you the way you are I love your heard Just the way it is shaped I love your neck Just the way it bends I love your chest And the mounds it creates I love your bosom And the size it is in I love your legs For the way you walk I love your feet For the way they pierce I love your hands They touch softly and charmly I love you As perfect when you're you

172. Healing Poesy

When thy senses be disquieted within Thou reacheth thy hands further And in thy medicine cabinet Thou grabeth a bottle of pills full

Thou softeneth thy raging nerves And silenceth thy panting sinews With thy stream of healing fluid And thou resteth fondly well

In these mine warring soul Oh, poesy, thou healeth me In these thy words well metered Thy lines doth sooth mine acuity

173. Canadian Spring

The sun doeth shine steadily in Canuck
The flowers doth wave happily in Kanata
The grass in mountainless prairies
And cars through west speed to east
Spring doeth shine on caffeinated brains
Cows and bears in shades hide
And farmers on pumpkin skins drilleth
To shun devils from spreading colors.

174. Down Recession Street

Down recession street Nothing out of the ordinary is seen Green loans and maple trees line-up And the same old buildings stand

Down recession street Large Ford cars drive as usual Trucks and vans stop at red lights And Esso gas station is busy as always

Down recession street Chrysler plants are closing down The work force is reduced to graffiti And all production is done by managers

Down recession street Bearing deep semblance to Petawawa While GM plants shut down in Oshawa And all look for help from Ottawa

175. Highways

In lanes two and one they drive As trucks and vans swerve in and out To and from work hearts race in throbs As they speed through round abouts

No matter what you wish to do Not to follow set out traffic rules Is to risk your safety and survival For people who drink and drive pay

Do what you can to reach the end You will not wrong the rear mirrors Nor offend your sober-rested mind And thus, you escape unseen errors

Loved ones all need you breathing For although you drive all alone You carry in your family and friends And to arrive alive is your thrive

176. Money

Learn thee to appreciate money
And change thee thy money attitudes
For thy confusions regardeth money
Breedeth twisted facts of wealth

Know thee that money is existence Understandeth freedom's next of kin For as thousands lacketh its power In poverty countless doth succumb

Educate thyself in providence's drill Coach thyself in shortages' tricks For in hard times knowledge winneth And in thy ignorance death loometh

People ought to hold money in bounty Every purse boometh with laughter And in thy plethora hold thee thy pass To wander the earth till Doomsday

177. Four Messengers

They may come from anywhere The four messengers from hell In their path and from nowhere They arrive without a bell

AIDS makes her nest in Africa H1N1 lays her young in America SARS leases her spores in Asia CANCER rests her head in Austrasia

Dig up mass graves in a desert Deny Hitler a noon dessert For all race as all color he refuses Jews and Blacks, he kills with gas fuses

No-one is innocent in Europe None, when discriminations gallop America pleads "not guilty" to blood And Africa is submerged by a flood

178. No Author of Tragedy

I am not an author of tragedy I write what happens in reality But I will not at all be rigid When so much lead to cruelty

I am not a critic of mass industry Nor do I see souls labor like machinery And I will not keep my mouth dry Nor only make advocacies summary

I am for humanitarianism But in the poor name of the victims Money is collected for many an ism While kids pair in miserable teams

I am not an opponent of aid I only tell of hypocrisy as a fact In the name of butter and bread, Poverty and profit make a pact

179. Didn't Feel Like Writing

I didn't feel like writing poetry
For my darling Muse be asleep
To awake a drowsing mind
Takes more skill than rhyming
And the hand that draws and paints
Is saner than an idle clock.

I didn't want to draft a narrative For the senses be off and dull To design an end-rhyme epigram Takes more skill than prosing And the length of the work itself Doesn't account for real genius.

180. Shakespeare Unedited

Thou in thy dream saw Shakespeare In the dead of night saw thou a spear For the wife of that venerable Macbeth This lady of vice and untimely birth Thee in thy dream also saw Portia In kind and mind as Obama's Sasha Yet in thy wake watches Sinatra The nard which played Cleopatra Whence that night Julius Caesar In battles trekked he with no visa To surpass the spoils of Richmond And to the Senate be gave diamond Thou wrote on thy knee: Elizabethan Which thou recanted to biblical Nathan Who in predictions of David or Pharaoh Who the priming looks of Romeo Would dare not crown Richard the Third For who wore bloody gowns unaided

181. Filibusting

The plant in and out, empty
The force that work them, grumpy
The tummy groans easy, bumpy
And the sun outside, so hotty
In history we learn, but naughty
The past comes, to haunt, a dumpty.

182. Tear of God

They lash junkets of donor support On the pained daughters of the soil All in the hope to redeem a race Of a people mired in blood

The grim image of black Africa Illuminated by an over-shined sun Lamps its toxins of artificial gems On a land deep in solstice shadows

This aid that always comes late Given by greased governments Is only a drop in a gigantean ocean? As kids and women in tears bask

A tear of God lazily dropped And who for Africa shall mourn Who, for broken and forsaken land Who, for stricken and afflicted band?

183. Move On

I pretended I was a man Yet, I was a boy in men's seat I advanced and won a woman And that I knew the reality

She was wittily and gorgeous She was focused and mature She carried herself prodigiously And moved herself majestically

For a time, I realized my weakness When I could not provide for her Since I did not have money And many plans wasted in the soul

Like a snake, my skin peels off When I appeal to my best angels My worst demons only show up Yet I move on, I search for life

184. Rise and Go

Listen to me, and hear me I am not a quitter, not at all I am a conqueror, and see I will gain and increase more

Times are hard ahead But equal I am to the task I will not cut hair nor beard Until this proverb I unmask

Those who know this agree That I have come a long way That I will not falter by degree That in the course I will stay

I am a winner and a champion
I will not be down or get low
For winning is my own companion
And all ahead, will fall below

185. Sleep On

However grievous your day How much pain it brings So quick recovery you may And too dinly sounds it rings

Go to your comfort and inn Sleep on it and do recoup As the day draws to its mean So will the pain a coup

The brave may lose a war The weak may win a battle If fatigue took its cruel toll And pain is allowed to rattle

You will sleep well and sound As your mind gets good rest So will your sanity rebound And your power at its best

186. Morning Joy

The night with tempest rages The storms with rage troubles There is hail and dark rains And all-around darkness reigns

Sorrow and pain quickly invade There is neither peace nor joy All around only tears and fear And you think life is but veer

You woke up one raining day You thought it was all over You wished you could be free And you found it was not to be

There is a little waking flame Up on the distant horizon For all your troubles will tame And you will win and rise on

187. Gain in Pain

Whatever you lose
Do not lose your confidence
Wherever you go
Do not leave your hope

In whatever situation There is a way of escape In every circumstance There is good hidden inside

Like a wound, it will heal And like days, it will pass For each lost moment There is a star about to rise

There is no year without a season There is no delay without a reason Only death never shares its pain And after shame there is gain

188. Investment Principle

There is nothing that may happen That people will hasty to say That it was done without purpose Since nothing happens for nothing

For everything, awful or lawful Has an underlying meaning This may not be now apparent But will reveal itself in time

The law of life is "take and give." So that in every circumstance, There is one gift that will offend And its value grows in silence

So, in whatever you are involved Where your time and energy are There is also your future and reward And greatness in time it will award.

189. Mulock Drive

There beneath a green-faced forest By the highway astride four-o-four Our minds conceived lively lines By the intersection of rushing hearts

In the upper country of Newmarket By the love of young Mulock Drive And the enchanting Harry Walker There we walked with singing pens

Lady who faithfully works Mother whose children she laps Wife of a man of many plans For daily she dropped him there

So long we have religiously come To these fountains of living pulses To the land where money sanely brag And men seldom go on retirement

190. The Transit

The TTC is not just a bus station It is a bus destination And the best Canada's bus stops With its blue and ember bus tops To catch a bus, check the bus time And know about rush hour's bus prime But do not carry a bus fare Just sit in a nearby bus chair And there wait for the bus driver Who will pull down the bus lever Which starts to run the bus engine. None tells of the bus origin For there is no bus conductor Nor a transit facilitator. All persons pre-pay a bus fee While the driver keeps the bus key. For once they close off the bus door, It is time to bus all.

191. The City

Oh, the City; tentacles it spreads like a pregnant octopus;
Women in legs long and spacious coil;
As down the city-centers busy and ness mesh;
Here I walk, Toronto;
Splendous your restaurants;
Missed calls, you mock!"

192. City of Livingstone

City of Livingstone, Zambia
Many memories embedded here
In sands so loose and terrains so quiet
By Maramba, sounds of shining colors
The progeny of mixed races;
By Helen Britel, music glows to disco.
Here the route treks to Victoria Falls
The locals called Smokes with Thunder:
The waters boil at ephemeral speed
The winters warmed by rising fumes;
The monkeys sing to tangled thickets
Draining their natural call
On heads of state's bored-head!

City of Livingstone, Zambia Canopy of Chief Mukuni Who alone knows the riddle Of Nyami-nyami, a lady-snake Who guards the river and waves! Here civilizations meet nudely On rapids, kayaks *sea*-saw freely Women under trees sit nakedly While men watch so drily

The sun shines briskly at Sun Inn Here prostitutes meet their match With sticks that sing, shoes that talk Business takes on a twist And a window to the future Opens widely over Hillcrest skies Semi broken; semi whole So, we dingo to *kapentas* partly rotten To beans with skimmed insects And meats that are scarce like frost

City of Livingstone, Zambia No place much better No season much sweeter.

193. Father's Day

To my daughters this Father's Day: I am happy to be your father; I love you like no other.
In deep love, I made you;
And those who make me happy
Like you do, are few.
To be a father is the greatest gift
I have ever received from God;
And I will forever
Love, cherish, and care for you,
No matter what you turn out to be
Even if you don't bring me gold.

194. Dying While Black

They die brutal deaths, these kids Just for being Black kids. They are gathered in these prisons Like chicken packed in small prisons. They are readied for a mass slaughter, A deep, dirty, Black slaughter. Their only crime, because of color Just because they wear Black color.

They lie in wait, these Blue policemen And it pleases every policeman.
These prisons are full of human sorrow Creating creatures that bring sorrow.
When Black goes in saintly and dark It comes out Whitened, motives dark.
When justice opens its eyes,
Law becomes a whip against Brown eyes.

195. Experience of Songs

A huge White thing in the nimbus "Smile, smile" in rhymes of rumpus! "Why are my son and daughter quiet?" "They are both in the world, not quite.

"Because I was sold by their soiled son, And cry out of the summer's sun, They unclothed into nudity of actuality, And ignored to say the prose of delight.

"And I am sad; I don't party nor thrill, They didn't think they hurt my will, And didn't desecrate the devil's armor, Who made up a hell of our humor?

196. More than Toys

They are more than toys
They breathe and feel and have wings
And they bring great joys.
They can clearly talk
And far from being only things
They have legs and can walk.

Look how neat their eyes
The moment they come into Earth
And you can't but say, "Yes!"
Tonight, strengthen your faith.
They carry a fruitful porch
Of memories we never knew
And histories we barely watch;
Love babies, and many years, too.

197. Be Happy

No day gives you a chance to smile Even when you walk for a little while Or take a thousand and one mile Because happiness has no style; It is a thought so nice and fragile.

Be happy in all cheerful moods And give humankind many goods For those who hide joy in the woods, Forego their own daily foods; And let children starve in the hoods.

198. Stormy August 21

Harshly, it rains along Eglinton; Hail like sharp-pointing bullets; Children in mothers' arms buried, While cell-phones lose potency.

Thunder raves minds and rakes nerves, The angry roar kills peace in and out, Pinioning lightning swathes up and down, Oh heavens, all courage in humans faint!

Driver stops the bus, nowhere "I can't see outside the bus," squirms all, Windows sips with fuming liquid venom And all plans aren't going, anywhere.

"Should have reached Kennedy by now!"
"I by-passed my last destination!"
"I will miss my job appointment!"
Agony, agony, on Ontario's stormy day.

199. Arms of Death

It rushed past by me, so softly and comfortably I saw the elements faint right before me slowly And I knew that those who experience it loved it; Arms of death are graced with soft sponges of life.

This strong feeling of heavy dizziness comes fast Rarely have chance to wave good-bye to love ones Senses and thoughts are forever suspended From ephemeral rays into eternal waves!

Death may be not our enemy, but our transport We determining the destination by the deeds we did

Good or bad;

This feeling, relaxes all hopes, brings peace undying.

200. Death Shall Not

Death shall not be my end's script Nor the fear thereof my early exit In life as in death my hopes rest For my soul in peace finds quest;

Death shall not be solace for thee If you forget to entrust your fee In the hands of him who saves And either fault or sin he waves;

Death shall not be an excuse For the deeds good you refuse Always doing trivial assignments, Neglecting God's appointments;

Death shall not be the stop of breath Nor the cover of the coldest earth For in His heart are many places To safeguard all in His graces;

Death shall not be the sentence For those who deal without sense In life for Jesus' sake, to die to gain And respite our minds without pain;

Death shall not be for the now For its pangs at Calvary bow Seventy plus a promise to live In this true Word I do believe.

201. Change or the Same

He was going to decide to change Because he couldn't afford the same But he was going to meet a challenge If not, he would hate being the same

"How can I shake this misery," he said Foes and friends live under the same sun And from the same toil they are paid Oh, how unfair it is under the sun!

He dragged himself towards the library Old and new books shyly stared at him He had last been here in February And no-one stood in for him

"All these books are banks of insight" He was thinking his thoughts aloud "But they bring me nothing to bite" He decided to speak up aloud.

202. Why Not Me

As I walk alone,
Along this busy street
Even in this silence
On top of summer's heat
Thoughts torture my poor soul
From within,
Frightful punches in my heart
Begin,
And I sob:
"Why not me?"

I see those who live
In elevated mansions,
They drive elegantly
And wear lurid blouses,
They tint their cars
And possess lots of money,
They are followed by everyone
Like they breed honey.
And within me I glob:
"Why without me?"

I watch men as they play
On technology's best,
Women as they strut streets
In angelic majesty,
I hear the winds blow
At great force to the west,
And all it leaves behind
Is me brownie and dusty.
In anger I ask:
"Why not them?"

I am jealousy of those Who seem happy with life,

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They are accompanied,
By pomp so splendid
In their path,
They leave feasts of pride and strife
And have others wipe
Where they have fended.
With a banger I ask:
"Why only them?"

203. Change with Change

They claim they will bring change When all they do is preach the old message And their people don't find this strange; For you least grow through the old rug'ed passage.

The people stare in mesmerizement and wonder They have the same lines all their deeming life And they are confused and can't ponder; They feel like they've been cut with a rust'd knife.

204. No Fundamentalist

I am not a Christian fundamentalist;

I am a Christian,

There is a difference;

I believe in grace as Paul preached it to the Ephesians,

And I love the inference;

But there are those who use the Bible woefully amiss,

Such I avoid;

They pick this and for what does not, they dismiss, That leaves a void;

God truly loves the world and does not exclude,

The good or the bad;

Yet, modern fundamentalists know whom to include,

And that is sad;

I don't use my faith as a weapon of condemnation, I use it to help;

Everyone who is human fits into my combination, And they don't yelp;

There is commonality in every extremity,

Christianity or Marxism;

Every act of love and care for the needy builds amity,

It mortifies separatism;

Embrace and accept all as composite brotherhood, Which is veracious;

One world guided by one love and not hatred would

Be very precious.

205. Fear Nothing

Don't fear anything But believe every good thing Don't be diminished But let everything you touch Be established Don't be told you can't But speak to yourself that they shan't; Don't look at yourself and say, "Not me" But look at yourself and shout, "Nobody but me!" Don't be overwhelmed by a problem But overwhelm your problems With chants of "Awesome!" Don't be reduced, But insist that you must be increased. Don't give up and falter But keep moving smoothly just like water. Don't be called a coward, But let all your effort, energy And time be a reward. Don't let the powerful intimidate you But let God defend And bring to pass what is due. Don't die young, But live large, with a bang.

206. Come What May

The morning comes silently, fresh but expectedly The past's regrets pass quickly, rather unexpectedly Surely, there is a design to life, a plan and reasons And nature prides itself in the symphony of seasons

It is not a neglected error that future ends not in "day",

Only now, and what's gone lets "day" attach that way

Because what has not yet happened doesn't harm And hope is the reservoir that holds faith's charm To the stars we clasp candles when the light of life ends

In the sun we witness light's rebirth towards new trends

And today, there will be plenty of memories to embrace

For yesterday is a dot that we cannot afford to trace;

Oh, come what may, the flowers will bud yet again,

May will come, summer is here to relieve the pain.

207. End Shall Last

When my heart shall beat last And all dreams shall forever cease; When the drawl shall be cast, Then all pain shall finally ease.

When rhythm of life ends The path to Heaven shall begin; With speed cross timeless bends, The faithful shall indeed go in.

When music be no more, All plans shall collapse and vanish; The trade of daily chore, Shall be feted, aims shall banish.

When life expels the breath, And life business begins rest; To exit from the earth, This thought fearful, the flight bles'ed.

208. Smells of Coffee

The mornings begin in the usual way With cars, men and women willing to pay For freshly-scented, darkly brewed coffee Which most also imbibe with hard toffee.

It is a touch aware of Canada Although some citizens of Grenada Still think about beats of the Caribbean And share in DNA make of an amphibian.

When my children wake up just everyday They ask for tea with milk in semi-grey, Will they also grow up drinking caffeine, Although it is addictive like morphine?

They stand shoulders high in the Maple trees Their hands folded into doubles or threes And they reflect on the goals of hockey, As they listen to Canuck's top jockey.

209. Insulted in America

They gather around media phones and shades And insult me because I am not six feet tall. They gossip of high art, music or movie trades While me and others petite are left to fall.

They recite them in plots of love novels And describe their figures of great beauty But in all my experience and travels I have found no one as Claria as fluty.

My daughters say that I am handsome And my wife knows I have great looks, But in America they think I am not ransom And they can't narrate me in books.

In America they think all others are not good They will say no-one from China and Japan is They gang around basketball for their food And wouldn't admit others can be fizz.

But I have no regrets to be who I am In Canada, wisdom reigns higher than heights And for you, O North, I am up early a.m. The insults I received, I drowned under weights.

210. Ashen Pebbles

The hilarity of them who thump through the thumb

Of ashen pebbles;

In which they thrum through the stricken crumb Of sunken fables;

The thrill of them whose thrust falls on numb Aces of shrunken tables;

Who hung the tongue of a slyly throated lamb With molten cables

These hard-earned medals will only be metals Damned to the ghettoes;

These blooms subjected to a loom of broken petals

Gammed without vetoes;

These garlands from the land of our twisted sepals, Our jammed mementoes;

And the stories of our glories deified in the temples

Of hammed potentials

A throne thrown in jumbled destinations
By a confederation of nations,
These high hopes of childhood hijacked by fate,
Becoming the coveted bait of hate;
And the gentle voice of discrimination
Breeds consternation
In blanket canopied hearts of immigrants,
Enslaved by the lavish junkets of grants.

211. Words of the Departed

Words of the departed loved ones Will not be forgotten. Even though they have long left us, Their words still ring new life.

Like a parrot, we rewind them And repeat them often. For they bring sweet memories Of times and joys we shared.

That sad and gloomy day of loss When death's messenger knocks, With these remembrances of love, We drown them and move on.

212. Do Not Cry

I heard you when you cried And your face said it all: "Mommy I miss you," you said And your voice fainted.

And these words, unedited Followed, unscripted:

"I feel rejected in this world Where you have left me. Mommy, you left me alone. You were there for me always. There is no-one by my side. I miss your kindness Rest in peace, dear mom."

I was there when you cried And offered my hank Then you dried.

213. Dirge of My People

The dirge my people cry, Oh, these songs they sing When loved ones are gone Are full of sorrows When they are sung.

When they lament silently, "Oh, you people without mercy, You have grabbed Chandwe For no reason at all."

These bring grief and regret Which touch the soul.

My people dance as they mourn And sing rhythms of grief. Their limbs barely move When sorrow, melody and pain Are mixed in the pot of loss.

The dirges my people cry; To placate their dead they try.

214. Friends Gone

Our few days are told as a tale A remorse fact I now must tell. Once you hear that pitiless bell; It has destiny turning pale.

I do recall a few loved friends Who lamely met their story ends After that human's nasty fiend, Their life he denied to extend.

Surely every good turns to waste When winds bluster by way of west; Again, people have failed their test For none comes to detail past taste.

While our deceased leave a picture, And a voice of their departure, Sorrow is not a good teacher, Nor sorry a better preacher.

215. Goodbye to Sara

Joshua used to ignore
The sleeps of her tongue
And Sara never minded
How she used her language.

She told Joshua a story Of her past date with Peter And Sara never minded How she used her language.

One day she told him That Peter was better a guy And Sara never minded How she used her language.

She said Peter was rich And gave her all she wanted And Sara never minded How she used her language.

And Sara told Joshua To dress like old boyfriends did And Sara never minded How she used her language.

One day Joshua met Jane; Jane was down to earth And Joshua was happy Jane understood who Joshua was. Joshua came back to Sara To say that it was over Because Sara never minded How she used her language.

Goodbye to Sara.

216. The Grip

Dark Shadow

It comes to all like a shadow And beckons us to enter the door To take us through eternal meadow To places prepared for all.

Endless Journey

Tough no one may clearly say How far on this journey to stay By the flurries of a clear day We know don't return our way.

Abode

The spirits of those who depart For so nature that knows in part Does tell us they are set apart For places known by the expert.

Trespass

Though your power in trespass be One has triumphed over thee To make safe passage for you and me When our eyes are closed we see.

Норе

They go each to their very end In doubt we may know or pretend But know we in peace they spend And in hope their faults mend.

217. Elegy to Kenya

O Kenya, hide thy bloody face And look not on thy bloody mess Because thy recrimination Has trodden many a nation.

Thou art now insensitive
To the plight of thy own children
And for women, thou'nt perceptive
For in their ruin thy terrors reign.

By thine western end Eldoret Thirty-three innocents perish Butcher'ed at a brutal rate While skulls prayed in a deaf parish.

Many voices are heard far away Yet here they fall on aching trust And no reason will dare to sway The shame of man's deadly past.

Drums in Africa are beating, And the children are not dancing. Women endure in child labor, To enter worlds they will abhor.

In a butcher's slaughtering sword, Elections are but a by-word; And democracy's sunny face Is mired in anarchy's dire race.

And for the fair arm of the law, Guns rule and danger guard the poll While old regimes cling to power, To destroy liberty's tower.

218. Destiny Killers

Pain runs through his veins Like a sharp end of a dagger. Thoughts came out dense And words were few.

He remembers the dream He had for his next of kin. He took his time and money And worked only for her.

He bought her all school needs And saved for her college. He moved her to a better place, Away from destiny killers.

she broke the law of decency When she disregarded his efforts; She met her destiny killer And cut her destiny short.

219. Life in Circles

Yesterday remains white; Today it's green And tomorrow is black.

Life in circles.

In memory lanes we drive Today your son And tomorrow your guardian.

Life's imperfidious visage.

We eat, drink and clothe, We loaf, work and shelter, That is all there is to life.

Life in circles.

And the unexpected happens: Servants become bosses Girls become boys Beggars become lenders And hours become minutes.

But when men marry men Days turn to nights And it snows all day non-stop;

The circles just continue.

220. Secure

In the middle of the bush When you leave me behind I feel very insecure. When you come back And talk to me like a friend, I feel very secure.

When alone at the middle of bushes Just a thought of you Makes me secure again.
Whatever you say,
When we are in the thicket
I just believe

And in the shadow of your presence All my fears just disappear. I know I am under your care I really feel very secure.

221. Mad

We all know madmen pick
They may pick up a treasure.
And sane men study
They may study how to die.
At night madmen sleep outside
And worry about nothing.

The sane also sleep at night In the prison of their own fences. Madmen pick in garbage bins And sane men throw therein.

While the sane suffer from ulcers Madmen never Take sleeping pills!

Both do die and are forgotten.

222. Unfaithfulness

Once you hear of this word "Unfaithfulness"
You know there are other things.
Once you become
"Unfaithful"
You know you have been others.
Once you are
"Unfaithful"
You know you've lost yourself.

It is dent to the best plan, A cancer to healthy cells, And a crack in one's soul.

223. Cry We Cry

There are many days when we fly And surely some days we do cry. There are things we hate and deny Which our minds daily occupy.

The worst part of us when it comes All joy and peace it never calms. We hate it with perfect hatred Leaving us very frustrated.

Why then is that our own nature Is much difficult to nurture? We have dual personalities Competing for our priorities.

When we think that we have things right Then our own dreams turn into night And for our visions and desire Only shame and pain we acquire.

Yet life must be better I know For I know good things will be more, And some day I shall reach glory To tell my earned and true story.

224. Journey

The journey, Will begin at Lusaka Via Harare to London to Toronto.

Tokyo Guatemala City Calgary Joburg And the world is conquered.

You can start yours When you set up goals Of the destiny you chose To become your own boss.

O, my Mother, I hear you miss me. I am fine, I have a family And I eat *Imbowa* I also make *ifisashi* And I fry *kapenta*.

Rather than say,
"My son left Zambia,"
Mother, say,
"He took Zambia to Ottawa,"
For I will never cease
To be a Mwewa.

225. Never to Forget

Mother,
How can I
How can I forget you?
Why should I
Why should I fail to remember
Mine months in your tummy?
Hopeless
Helpless.
Many times
You met with death in the noon.
You shielded me militantly
And delivered me alive.

Mother,
I forget you today,
I warrant failure
To remember
My own
Birthday.

226. Only Child

I have always known you
My only child.
Even that first day, in my womb
When you wiggled
And that first day on earth
When you giggled.
You will never know
How much joy I felt
The first time
You chuckled.
I always longed to see your face,
Shy, little and delicate;
I held you in my arms
Gave you the first kiss
And you waggled.

I will always love you My only child. I was first in your life. My lips you kissed And my breasts you sucked And every time you left me I jiggled.

You will always be My only child.

227. Presidential Challenge

Gather you mighty and loyal To the inaugural of the royal For in their shadow we live and toil While our own fate we foil.

The giant claws of mighty dragon And we their subjects seethe in argon Of our forgotten intellect And dance to tunes for us they elect.

They murder more those by order Than those at periphery of border Who must plead self-defense For crimes they only call offence.

A president I will, rather than king For a precedent is only one thing To follow the rule they create for him To borrow peace and kill joy it seem.

There is one boy in all presidents Who seek the camp of dissidents To dissent the will of general deal And rule according to general will.

228. Among Warriors

Days come and go Each with subtle claws On them are visages And dark images. I see with my mind The danger they portend But I still believe And there is relief That the humble sky Towards where I fly Shall someday be blue And that is just as true. The light shall appear And like a sharp spear Shall cut across barriers To be among warriors.

229. Dreams at Lusaka

The statement of one's life: All in their early childhood When they are growing up Have moments of dreaming.

Dreams are not realities at all And many dreams are sham. But they plant divine seeds On which fantasy thrives.

Fantasy itself is very lofty Always creating impressions And cosmetics borrow dearly From illusions of our heads.

Statement are not the same: They grow like dull flowers Budding in wrong seasons Breeding broken petals.

At Lusaka, home of rising stars Where they emerge from obscurity To dress in casual and coats And dance to alien statements.

I want to be a star
The problem is just mine alone
And I share it with no one
Daring to walk the great path.

230. Our Name

A laborer's `annual complaint: I help others make great money I escort money into other accounts I defend the estates in others' names And forget I have my own assets.

A laborer's complaint of a decade: Now I have sons and daughters I have bought them a house and cars They go to good schools and churches And I worry if they will succeed.

A laborer does not complain now: I have a name I cannot recognize I have existed for all wrong reasons I have achieved trophies that haunt But now I live for one name, "Ours."

231. Lost Feelings

What shall I compare life to? Life is like curio making. From raw trunks of trees There come perfect images. And like a painter does Thinking in terms of colors And artists in terms of lines.

So, these feelings we once had Now long gone and vanished Can be remade and painted. New stanzas can be arranged New themes enacted And the feeling of love Does not die though it may fade.

What shall I allude life to? It is like matter
Which is never lost
But can only converted.
Like dry roses, so are old loves
Down we lay our heads
And we dream and love again.

232. Lights at Christmas

The light burns brightly to the end. All things look good and very calm. And wild flowers invade the land In the presence of mistletoe.

It is Christmas Day in Sameland Children will open their presents And sit rounding the twinkling tree In red oversized pajamas.

This season is very special And the songs are very unique People everywhere share in joy To bring true peace in a vexed world.

These parcels of assorted gifts Long gathered carefully in thrift And in malls the jingle bells ring While kids hum from carols singing.

The poor and needy will reckon With lack and shortage that beckon But with help from joyful Santa They will receive gifts and Fanta.

233. Music in the Sky

I am amazed how that Above the clouds That are above a gigantic ocean Beats resounding melodies In symphony of superb tunes And sweet voice of Celine Deon, And the electric vocals of Richie, And the vibrancy of Cocker Together with the beaming Eloquence of Dolly-How that these music go On playing in the landless paths In those heavens far above. The sound so beautiful In those snowy azures, Bringing earthly pleasure. These ecstasies are heavily pried for When the listening becomes intense And these beats flap the hips of the engine. There is music in heaven Bright and beautiful Drawing a soothing feeling of laughter. In these skies the busy-ness of life And the pressure of brewing Are all swallowed up Compacted and recycled And hearts beat in chorus. Nearing the soils Melodies begin to faint, These sweet waves, Softer than the soul -And still, there is music in the sky.

234. Bodies

They meet to dance in disco clubs To rhythms of din and sounds unheard Surrounded by fumes think and dense In squeezed scents of melting hot sweat.

Magnolia of silhouetted discs Play upon dense magnets of volts. Bodies jive half-naked to singles While in pure pleasure they shindig.

Lights shine inside moving shadows Boys flash out identity cards; Men show off tattoo-tattered backs And women carpet-comb in wines.

To life and death they toss dense fluids To delight they tease lethal forms But they cannot tell who whips them Nor are they blinded by dim lights.

Throngs of mercurial bodies bump Skeletons in skirts and pants move While disc jockeys keep energy To pick after-party bodily remains.

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235. Struggle of My People

Alarms ring loudly deep down within long We stand decorously secure and strong Indeed, they enjoy life fewer peers have. They walk in streets structured with lights above. Haven't they the better of two worlds in one? For our black beauties, hearts they have won, Yet for our kids, I nightly toss bed's ends. I would not for a morsel damn knees' bends; Nor for lack of pride shrink from your defence; Nor at your poor's sight, create a Balaam fence. Weary talents drain your brain, clan and blood; In your precocious dead, doomed sorrows flood; In lavish copp'r, hopes and stocks barely float, Wryly, your faith rests in your ignored lot. Freely, your limbs nimble in begging drills; Drily, lax songs become your simmering pills; Slyly, rules glue norms to lurid natures. Does poor peace frolic in vain adventures? Morrow hides in shadows of green villages; Mothers grieve in chants of brok'n elegies. Zambia, loved like a mother who shaped me, Cherished since I opened my eyes to see. Our legacy, sign of freedom an' bondage; Our past, a prayer of a shunned adage; Let it be said that we had thinking bards, Let in books, your precious liberty buds; Let in years to come it be said, "Ours knew" Although in pride, grand, virtuosos are few; Struggle is my people's fault-lines of growth, And to freely prosp'r, our true and bold oath.

236. My Zambia, I Cry

The nation awakes to sounds of mourning More frequently than it does to mirth There is music in the air-waves burning But not to celebration of life or to birth Bana-Musonda just learned that her job Will no longer be hers, but foreigners` Children now run for help to the mob And begging is part of the national anthem; Small victories are displayed as mementos A few malls are idolized as development And education is a bygone word for ruiners Inventions are rare and unknown for "them" Talent is lamped to worst in churches or ghettoes The nation feels like a chilling firmament As workers and students alike resort to strikes Since conditions are bad and the meal hikes Who shall bring light to a nation in dark Will the future be as it has been in the past Are these leaders all look but on the back, Oh Zambia, O land, stop sliding so fast! With all that we carry within, we still believe For Zambia, there is still more hope to re-live.

237. Dreams of Poverty

I wake, tears rolling, in deep sweats, Dreaming of days gone with big debts, In pain of worry and harsh nights When sleep climbs over higher heights.

Dreams of poverty stir my soul, I fear the day lack will befall When gloom as a frightful shadow Becomes a close and common foe.

I run from my footsteps all day, All my plans have wondered at bay, Poverty's shame does threaten me And from my own heartbeats I flee.

The thoughts of days of want do haunt The feelings of great need also taunt, I see the pangs of struggle's past I run and away very fast.

238. Dreams of Africa

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I dream of Africa, the smells of early rains I long for the beaches heaving with swamps and fens;

I yearn for the dark long free worms, food for fishes

And I hunger for breams and all native dishes.

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I miss the songs when new virgins' rites are over With every step a rare chance to live in clover; I wish to stand all day watching their curvatures, When they emerge with tight chonches and fine cultures!

Ш

I long for your tender bosom, Oh Africa, I remember busking inside your bright Spica As I milked in the zephyr of your youthful dawn, And your *Nshima* maize mixture I had always gnawn.

IV

Oh, the rhythms of Rumba, pleasure of your drum,

In this young and old, day and night, shindig and

To the sounds of mirth my ancestors bragged about

Oh, how soundly the children slept after the bout!

V

I often dream of the wastes lying on Cairo Road Of graffiti and filth garbage across the board, Of smut of compacted town-center boulevards Of the uncouth conduct in courtrooms and churchyards.

VI

I didn't enter the portal of the living dead Nor tasted sweet love in a darkly flowing bed, Yet, I dream of the best potential of all kids Of women who dance with opened legs in all nudes.

VII

I have been to the river banks of flowing blood, To tears spilling over with a weeping flood; In Africa they teach, "Life once given, it's gone!" Oh land, without you it feels like I was not born.

VIII

These nights are memorable when I dream of you These lights are horrible when I forget what you do;

These rights are fallible when I flout the offspring; These fights are agreeable when I speak your feeling!

IX

The streets of raw Africa are littered with dirt, The central banks are going to war with yawning debt;

The roads are thwarted with problems of a pothole;

The fields have graves but the sound of music makes whole.

Χ

I stand at the edge of the rising waterfall And watch able adventurers drive, dive and freefall

On the waves of high splashing flurry and glory Where they burry their heart and mind with no worry.

XI

When I saw the smiling girls at their first instance, When the bare-breasted women took their early chance,

Their thighs strong and their arms hardened through toil,

Their diamond hands and golden tongues drip silver oil.

XII

The politics of the land are lovely as flute The speeches of Parliament sound like awful fruit; The decisions of courts are lithe like a Danseuse And the banks lend only to those they can abuse.

XIII

The beauty of Africa is a fantasy, Women keep their pubic gardens smartly fussy; Men find it in parody of foreign accents And presidents' pride in signing stately assents.

XIV

The dreams of my homeland are many and intense,

The visions fill my beliefs with divine incense; The fine blessings and the curse on the savannas Are shaped like the anxious tendons near the anus.

XV

I dream of your never changing magnificence, In avant-gardism and now I see your presence. Your vowel-ended surnames I love to pronounce And your pure kind-heartedness I like to announce.

239. O Africa

O Africa, I have loved you with pure love Like an eagle flying up and far in the above So beats my heart, for the memories of you O Africa, compared to many, there are a few

You have been my lover, my keeper, my anchor You secured my undone frame in your banker And now I remember your infinite loving-kindness And your unfading and unbridled goodness.

From the lands of the White people, I recount I look at your history from which fortune I count That at the beginning of your journey to far here You kept our promise, "For you, I will be there!"

O Africa, land of unfiltered and sober music In manners and etiquette, O Africa, you're basic But the dance of your people my soul it reaps And your rhythms, a dagger rips mat my heaps.

O Africa, your face never leaves my brown visage I wait for you, my sense glued to your long image For blood and tears have run through your soil The rule of fear has threatened our flowing oil.

I will love you always, O Africa, I will not forget Your anthem of peace and freedom is my fete I will never cease to remind you of true loveliness Of that unadulterated African neighborly selfless

In your brown terrain lies the hope of the earth In your unplowed villas there I will put my faith For the children run freely in the early morning The elegy is no longer our song of mourning. Africa, should I call you a champion of the sufferer

Or the captain of those who hold the Emperor? In the art forgiveness, you excel like a frugal god In endurance, you stand the test like purest gold.

240. Apolitical Theory

Classics

Thou built reason's mind, O Plato, Shaped brain's wit, thou Aristotle, And deified politics divine Whence St. Augustine's city doth shine!

Hobbes

Thou men, equal in body and mind Court thee that kingly Leviathan To appease thine life, short and poor By these contracts, flawed and unsure

I ocke

Thou nature in thy undressed state Do in liberty instruct all; Our labors with property rewards; These laws our happiness awards

Machiavelli

Thou double-minds of earthly reign Partly foxes, partly lions, Thrust thy trust in beastly powers To slay virtue on saintly towers

Rousseau

Thou art depraved, O thinking man And thy good to thy nature tied; Born free, yet everywhere in chains, And in forced freedom thine trust earns

241. Hillsboro

Thou city of Hillsboro
By the embers of Wichita
Though thou art only a borough
In thine quiet street once veered a star

Thou art smaller by thy numbers Yet thou grow the famous and rich And rarely add to thy members Desiring thy symbols to reach

Thy people proud and sufficient Coldly hold to thy horn of race Whence they gasp like a patient Cancerously marred in the face

In thine churches emerge a song Of penance for equality Whence thy masses in oneness sing To save thine renowned quality

242. Mibenge

Mibenge, I do remember, It was here, the root of my roots; Across the trans-border journey Crossing the Luapula River.

I do remember my childhood And our fishing in Mulonga With all the thickets and bushes And our ancestors in ashes.

We have come to Mibenge, The place of childhood scenery In our fondest memories byes Where my own beloved father lies.

These earths calmly rest Ngalula Next to my father's chummy breasts; In here, I remember innocence. For tears, unlike memories, dry

Mibenge, where men ever fade And depart before they can grey. Mibenge, I remember nuts A treat only called *intwilo*.

243. Bye-Bye Bishop

The terrain still remain light brown But we have put on a bright gown. Several questions of whether It is only in good weather That to noble men with big farms We soon empty all in our arms?

The factual hour will always come For troubled and torn hearts to calm And never again to bishops Will we exist to place our hopes.

We were not meant to live like them We too have to fulfill our term. Yet your prayer, O man of God I will seek in lands far and cold.

244. Eagle's Feathers

They rise up, too strong And also, very wrong They awake like they have furlong'd In comatose for long They aren't vixen But with strength of oxen They mount with wings Like celestial beings They wear fake Only when they command And with tyrannical demand They order minions Into frozen unions As of callous words with pride On the weaklings they ride Until their power is stripped And with throngs they are whipped Then they fall, fall, fall And all fall It is a mighty and heavy target For these do forget That April showers Bring May flowers And that the kindness of many Shouldn't be trodden by any, Rule kindly, demand justice For the eagle is big as its feathers And all bests at ease Be rewarded with treasures.

245. Mother Zambia

Your virile bushes; Much less inhabited.

Your smiling hopeful visage Is the ink that pens this message.

Mother... Of mound display An unexplored Eden in Africa; Full of Nature's best And an endless of tradition... (To Zambezi -To pay an invocative visit: The people on superstitious gravity) To you Mother... Higher vows I pay. Your soils are veins of life, The peace The Joy The resting Your people, my people, Occupied In structures of thatch And decorated mad walls! Your idyllic terrains; Much more unexploited.

246. South Africa 2010

Oh, Africa, at the tip of the Old Benguanaland,¹ The land of the Zulus and the Xhosas, Therein Shaka of the Zulu brought us pride, Thy gyrateth like none other, Thou danceth as the goddesses in Brenda Facie, Or that angel only known as Malope! In these terrains where Mandela's gongs clearly gluing, O Africa, south of the continent, Thou art our blazer. In that 2010 atmosphere, Thou hostedth the Great Cup To the sounds of Beautiful Shakira And rhythm of Waka-Waka! Or "This Time for Africa" – Oh, mother Africa, Mother of mothers, I honor thee! From the land of wintry whites and polar bears, Surely, here in Kanuk's maple groves, I remember the tropics in their thickets, Surely, Africa thou art gorgeous, land of my

Oh, South Africa, be a land of soccer's grandest dribblers,

I surmise, time is now to dribble thine troubles.

And thee, Africa, be to me a trophy,

A garland of victory.

It's time for Africa,

fathers.

Thou heardeth me, a faint voice from Zambesia It's time for Africa,

And may the waves of grace to thee, An orison from our Heavenly Father be.

¹ Or Banguanaland, see #269, on p. 297 used interchangeably

247. Africa I Love Despite

Oh Africa, my Africa, Don't you amaze me In all wise, you're poor And sometimes even evil Other times, you disappoint, Especially when children you neglect Your roads are full of potholes, Some of your housing dilapidated You keep enjoying other nations things And you don't pay attention to your own potential You spend more time copying other people Than you do trying to improve yourself BUT I still love you I am dead in your rhythms, Especially your Rhumba Your girls are lovely – As soft as the feathers of a peacock Your music – oh my God – I can indulge in day and night And your beauty – is true beauty – The nature, the people Oh Africa, although you're neglected, My thoughts are all you Africa, my Africa, no matter what, Our love is forever Africa, till I die, we are two roads that met And have promised never to part Oh Africa, my Africa, God shine upon you.

248. The Stairs of Kabwata

I remember the many stairs leading up to fourth home

Here I prayed, we laughed and also, I saw you come

You were so angelic in all ways, you're still an angel

It does not matter "others", or a look from another angle

The Stairs of Kabwata, we were like little children playing

"We're still little, playful children," that's what I am saying

The Stairs of Kabwata, in both our hearts, we know it well

Though long ago, down our hearts, its rhythms still dwell.

249. Canada

Cold and clean Oh Canada, Canada Streets of marble And terrain ever cold. Your people busy Subways chilly and clean And eyes blue and wet. In these speechless elevators, Behold avenues, Swept and candy sellers Malls crammed and full And men seem confused. Canada, Land of opportunities. And Canada Is cold and clean.

250. Black Africa

To you my darling mother, My one and only And I don't have another. My dear family Has entreated me not to Ignore history And our own origins, too. This is our story I tell in tears and sorrow And it offends us Deep into our bone marrow After as soon as They notice that we are black And color doesn't cheat, They also think our blood is dark. We may take the heat, But we have been strong To speak to their face That all along they are wrong Since we know that race Speaks volume of variety And none is superior Or all-wise in entirety To think inferior Of others who are diverse When you reason in reverse That today's culture Is mixed civilization Of a past nature; Think Africa's ideation!

Sing you in skins dark For there's no color as black!

251. I Am a Proud African

I am a proud African,

Let the drums beat, the forest shake and the rivers flow

I am a proud African

There is an eternal blood in me, vigorous and steady

I am a proud African

From the lands flowing with gold and diamonds, lands of my ancestors

I am a proud African

I have built civilizations, toiled for nothing and reaped the wind

I am a proud African

Others mistake me for a bigot, a slave, or a thinkless brat

I am a proud African

I have birthed inventions, and my name is not associated with any

I am a proud African

I am strong, daring, fearless, and my veins drip with ripped marrows

I am a proud African

My wisdom is in my color – dark, black and fits with any variance

I am a proud African

I am the hope of the world, I still treasure the jungle filled with greens

I am a proud African

My shape is a bottle, I treasure the rhythms of my protruding buttocks

I am a proud African

I speak with divine accents, feed with the roles of nature and sleep free

I am a proud African

CHARLES MWEWA

This is who I am, I don't want to be another, nor serve another

I am a proud African

I love all, never discriminated, never enslaved another race, I am pure

I am a proud African

Generosity is my outer wear, and forgiveness is my inner garment

I am a proud African,

Abused, but never retaliated, cheated but never repatriated

I am a proud African

Others think that I am dull, unsophisticated and clearly brainless

I am a proud African

Tolerance is in my DNA, the past eluded me but the future is mine.

252. Hawaii, I

Oh Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii Oh, island of beauty, beautiful food Hawaii, Hawaii, Oh Hawaii, Hawaii. No island is this fancy, no notable wood I once visited you, Hawaii, Oh Hawaii With my young but adventurous family Oh Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii, We raved into your brilliance, how lovely Oh, Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii, I still feel you, your oceans, your beaches Oh, Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii, Hawaii, You're a sermon Heaven preaches The Chikuzees of Hawaii are truly fresh The Happy Hours frolic with florescence I see my little ones smile widely afresh I, myself, feel as if dunked into incense I am all dancing, drinking and splashing Oh, Hawaii, Hawaii, I relive you Till now, I remember, I am all bashing, I will come again, a paradise you're, too.

253. Hawaii, II

I have been thinking about you, O Hawaii Your seashores, your palm trees and the Asians The dance, Oh, these lightened boulevards, And the clean, green and spleen environs, How I miss the evenings when my loved ones dined We ate, we drank Champaign and even danced. Then we raved into the raving ocean; I lost the phone – oops. But got it back in Kitchener, Ontario, O Canada. I will come back to your shores, to bask and hear Oh, Hawaii, my kids loved it; my wife enjoyed it. I love you, O Hawaii, your divine themes, your lovely seashores. We boated of the best, On the Mighty Pacific Ocean, smaller but available seas-cruiser. I held Cuteravive tight; Emmerance and Tashany adventured. Then we disembarked and tasted some sumptuous pineapples, mangoes, fruits, Oh love, oh joy, oh hilarity, I am all for the beauty of the ride. Invite me again after Covid-19, and my loved ones I will bring;

O Hawaii, we will be your guests, the favor to return
And the joy of a life-time
Wherein to indulge.
O Hawaii, the island I clearly,
And love dearly.

254. Los Angeles

Thy art magnificent, O thou city with Angeles Thou hath no equivalent, serve Domini Angelus Thy mountainous Bel Air, thy flattened Beverley Hills

Indeed, thy hilly Hollywood, thy unseen Hidden Hills,

These brilliances in their eternally glorious Calabasas

Wouldst Orange County volitionally be "Birth of Jesus"?

Down thy lively lit boulevards mine sweetie droveth

Up at thy vetted Disneyworld, mine little angels roveth

In thy lux hotels, dreams of effulgence hugeth mine soul

In thy fabulous indulgence, mine senses fluently roll

Oh City, a place whereth I would again rather be, After Covid-19, O City, me orisoneth recover thee.

255. Over the Seas

Here my people, I write From over the seas, I write To people dark and lovely, May I write.

I am yours from abroad I am a patriot and a child Your own blood A product of your need.

To my motherland, In the fair and brown land A place of civilization's splendor And birth place of culture's grandeur.

Here they come to seek fortune In the lands of fruits and pearls Where music never lacks in tune And women keep long hairs.

I am yours from overseas, My name I have not changed, Though I be gratified abroad Yet my wish I will not alter.

My people, I write And yours still I am Even from over the seas.

256. Christian Nation

My country is a Christian nation, A declaration of the century A transition indeed To the people in need.

My country is a Christian nation, A declaration of good faith A transition indeed To a people who read.

My country is a Christian nation, A declaration of trust A transition indeed To a people who hate greed.

My country is a Christian nation, A declaration to God's glory A transition indeed To a people great in deed.

257. My Canada

Here my Canada I come. Once visited forever treasured Your nakedness is picturesque Which haunt even in dreams.

Here in my Canada I am Flesh stuck closer to flesh Bones big, broad and hard, Canada, may I call you mine?

Canada, the world's baby-sitter Hope of the world's destitute And Canada your open arms Many a soul you protect.

Here my Canada I come To breed light from darkness And brood over unborn bloods And Canada, I call you mine.

258. Heroes of Freedom

They fought as a band of soldiers; They died while fighting, as martyrs, Some are presidents if they lived, And others have scars to show for.

We meet them daily in grey hairs These are our truest statesmen, These our prized gallant fighters, Pillars on which we live and thrive.

We their brood their glory will save Never to forget the blood they shed, And in their footsteps, we will follow, Attesting to hearts strong and brave.

This freedom so for granted we take With sword and pain was achieved, Even when many in pieces returned, Silently, yet very clearly, they speak.

In libraries their heroism archived, In pain and anguish they travailed, These sons of liberty are of renown, Heroes of peace, our true veterans.

259. Heathrow

Heathrow, Heathrow, Heathrow, Though bright and ruddy
A detention thou art not
Let me pass, and let me go.

Thy skies in raining tears
Though thy summers be bright
A destination thou art not
Give me a pass, trip thy door.

Heathrow, thou pride of London Though mine luggage thou lost A habitation thou art not Bring me past thee, let me fly.

Heathrow, thy arms wide open Though terrorists thou perturb An occupation thou art not Take my low past, push me high.

260. Over Paris

The skies of the ground beneath The clouds within which we bracket And though dull, pale and chalky, The skies over Paris are bluest.

The envelop that canopies France Opening its eyes towards Londres And closing its mind to America Is frisky, risky, milky and murky!

Oh, the feeling within the steel bird, Oh, how magnificent it is inside, Oh, how fearful and uncertain, How trepid within these tempests!

Over the skies of great Paris
The sun shines lazily pale
In tints of orange and yellow
How relaxed is the air over Paris.

261. Joe Biden

On the flicker of a democratic win,
A due return to sanity will begin,
Even with it the total decay of pride
For virtually four years, the USA denied,
That its internal glory had been faded,
And corruption, its image had degraded.
An unlikely savior be found in Biden
With his election its glory, be widen
O, rejoice, Oh Great Land, rejoice, rejoice
The arrogant's fallen, with their tweeting noise.
For the disgrace is exited, debouched
The legacy of Obama, now whooped.
For whatever happens in Amerika,
Does not remain only in America.

262. Mr. Thairu

Your tag read Richard Thairu, At Jomo Kenyatta Airport In the double lines of duty When you paid no attention.

I am the one you mistreated A vacationer you offended, When you pushed me aside Because like you, I am black.

Your tag said James Smith At Dallas Fort Worth Airport In the duty of two lines When you paid much attention.

I have not forgotten at all I was only a poor tourist When you pulled me aside Since unlike you, I am black.

People will many a time Judge us by our simple looks And only God all the time Writes our truth in his books.

263. Kingdom Within

Man is a kingdom decked within. The realm therein he aptly rules With dignity and decorum And dreams never in short supply.

Your own tender sleep, dreamy man Will scout for reaching very far And take you to lands far-away Lands with plenty and yet unknown.

In your head above, thinking man, These lands undiscovered are near Full of treasure and raw riches And so real and very well-known.

When you came across a signal And vividly remembered that You had existed there before now, It was meetings of intuition.

And so many times you do dream Of lands and peoples and places Of plays and drama arenas And of actors and actresses.

On these arenas and play stages You have seen yourself escorted By retinue clad in pure white Whereas doors everywhere open.

You should never stop to believe In the dreams of night and of day For they portend hidden senses And foretell future realities. Many days stop me and inquire And there seem to be conference Going on in the inside of me. It is this keeping me searching For the idyll time and right place Where the 'I' in me would surface And join me to self-made heroes.

264. Perfect Full-Stop

Perfect full-stop
When my sentence
Shall be completed,
What will its *predicate* be?
Will it have
A perfect summary of my life?

Many people need where to lean Someone who looks out just for them Who has themselves been there before And by patience and endurance Has come back home with life's trophies; This someone must not be the end But is only a stepping-stone.

Perfect full stop
When my sentence
Shall be completed,
What will its *object* be?
Will it have
A perfect summary of my life?

Many people at life's apex
Do say they began from somewhere
By trying out what was inside them.
Many of them discovered treasures
Of stuff they didn't think existed.
Someday we will find that someone
Who gives us wings with which to fly.

Perfect full stop
When my sentence
Shall be completed,
What will its *subject* be?
Will it have
A perfect summary of my life?

Many dark seasons do appear
To intimidate our courage.
Years of seed-planting will also come
To call for planning and hard work.
Times of helpful disappointment
And radical opposition
Break up eaglets from growing chicks
And make us who we really are.

Perfect full stop
When my sentence
Shall be completed,
What will its *statement* be?
Will it have
A perfect summary of my life?

265. Congo

Congo, thou land of biting gold Thou crafted my father a home And gave his son a wife am told Congo, thou hast shrunken in form!

Thy womb bore many great children Thy fortunes with them gladly shared And though to thee they were foreign Thine barrier was not closed or sheared.

The copper fields of Katanga By which mine folks thou ably saved From disgrace and piercing hunger And their deficiency thou waved.

In thine rivers flow brooding blood And thine skies drop toxic bullets. Funeral songs are washed in flood Horded with parts marred by mallets.

Congo, from my Zambia I call From my *terra firma* I bawl Congo, from Canada I declare End thee thy ugly wars, I decree.

266. Idyll Phonoriah

These sounds
Smell of grapes
And of spices
Of great Indiana.
This is the place
Where we have to discover
Stories yet to be told.

We shall dance
To celebrate an idyll future
Of infectious flavors
And decorations in antique.
It is a country so bright
And land so light.

Oh, Phonoriah A land so good, A future so promising. Oh, Phonoriah, What an idyll a place.

267. Chitambo

Passing by Chitambo we saw a tomb Whose epitaph was a dual petition To the god of the feast of Hecatomb, Written below was a re-petition.

He passed away with hands in akimbo After braving the nip of fillaria, And shunning many calls from the limbo But was met by a shell of malaria.

This man bemoaned a German war Gotha And found a panacea in helpful Chuma Whom he taught the secrets of Golgotha Whose blood-flow cures the tumor of Guma.

We hear sounds rattle from clouds in Congo Sending dark and heavy rains of defiance Smashing civilizations as ingle, Washing them out without any reliance.

We come home back to village Chitambo To water the plants of our great Sambo Whom we rhyme in our book about poetics Who savors the African politics.

Africa is now a Cinderella Her beauty should not be spurned as loveless And a reed-mat shouldn't be her umbrella And she shouldn't be let to hold sewer gloveless.

268. Mr. Conductor

You drive on tars of Beirut Road Full of risks and wavy potholes There you are on your way with loads Filled with rage and stumbling on poles.

When that woman gullied on you You almost lost a customer But today you had just a few So, you just fixed your sad stoma.

At four every day you get up And by twenty you are late on For you rarely capture a nap Nor find time to answer your phone.

In your busy life friends are few Since they cannot see or know you As you leave early and come late Carrying out routines that you hate.

269. Banguanaland

The vile wars of Banguanaland²: Let me lament for the beloved And compose a dirge to her plot.

My beloved has a spacious land Sited between two great waters Of Indian and Atlantic seas.

She dug it up and cleared out stones And planted therein dire landmines; She built a loom and secured it.

She dug around mass shallow graves. Expecting to bring on power, But alas, it brought gushing blood.

Dear kindred of civilized worlds From Cape, to Freetown, to Khartoum, From London to New York and past:

Did you observe the kid soldiers Who are forced to drink human blood And are strained to eat human fresh?

Wambo is factory to limbs; My beloved's airs are polluted With gases of ruinous rockets.

Who makes such planes in such plenty? In whose interest are they shaped? And who fashion rifles *en* mass?

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² Or Benguanaland, see #246, on p. 270 used interchangeably

Wars fought on my beloved's top soil Have tainted its fertility And rendered its earth impotent.

They die unceremoniously And are buried without prayer An offence to God, their Creator.

Refugee camps stripe my beloved Just like the skin of a leopard And the world believes it is free!

Poverty, like locusts, invades, Ballots are nothing but a ruse While laws only favor the rich!

The nations fob watch from a mile And monitor as man kills man And thinks it will never haunt them!

People in Banguanaland bawl: Guiltless children worriedly howl, But do you hear their hopeless roar?

270. War Sonnet

The gruesome visage of colorless war And every time it stares its gape of woe Into the fragile lives of the mortals, It erodes a million hopes in totals And render numerous desires devoid. In gloom man reaps what he tend to avoid, And in vain he gathers the world to moot But always overlook war's evil root. Is it not due to his queer lust and greed, Of which he has forever vowed to breed That the scarlet fluid of the innocent Has flown into a sacrilegious waste? The joy of life is damped hundred percent; For gory wars instill, in man the worst.

271. Nuclear Dysfunction

The mighty nations are stockpiling Hitherto, two wars, heads are filing. Do they care, when masses be dying, From poverty, cancer, time is flying. Thence, state budgets rarely meeting, Alas, fatal plague i'n't been treating. For dollars in billions are trending While armistice efforts aren't ending; Oh, cursed be all weapons factoring, Nil, nada, arms made w'd be victoring. End, don't fashion arms for deathing, Stop, don't deprive futures, breathing. Cease those death chambers erecting, Indeed, choose peace, leaders electing.

272. Rwanda

Rwanda,³ the core of Africa Inserted between giant nations What, shall I recount your sad fate? The doom of oval-shaped people, A society of ocean smiles!

Genocide, legacy of war: A story I must tell with tears, Rwanda, we will never forget, We will never remain silent; We won't deny you compassion!

You are now home to *infamy*, Your survivors will not forget The middle of the silent night Which turned into an awry sight Of the bloody massacre spree!

Rwanda, trees mature in straight lines, Character of serenity And outlook in tranquility, But your citizens you murder Hutus and Tutsis, you butcher!

Oh, horror, cry sacrilegious!
The unspeakable has happened,
Woe to the angel of dark Hades;
A strong nation you break apart
Just because their noses are different!

³ Or Ruanda

Rwanda, all innocently slain, Your tragedy, is disaster, A flaw in human decency, A crime against humanity, And error in human judgment.

273. Worst Antilife Report

Speak to me...

About war being won and lost; About war separating everlasting friends, And derailing further the amity of fiends!

Speak to me...

About ominous motives of terrorists; About the perpetrators of homicides, And about the perpetuators in genocides!

Speak to me...

About firing at unarmed and helpless people; About what happens when the masses retire to sleep,

And the workers of anarchy awake to reap!

Speak to me...

About the flawless blood that flows; About the unborn in volatile wombs, And when they are born into jaws' tombs!

Speak to me...

About dignity when it is thwarted; About the rights of the multitudes; And of those who suffer the wrath of evil attitudes!

Speak to me...

About powers that disregard the song of peace; About those who rush to pull the swords, And do not attempt the soft power of words!

CHARLES MWEWA

Speak to me...
About humans butchered like fowl;
About those in the name of patriotism
And who have done acts worse than nepotism.

274. Colovery

AD. 1 to 3

Oh, scream, retell the awful history
That sadly, became a scotched land's story
The palaces had thinned without pure gold
It wasn't viable to trust methods of old
Even brother had turned against brother
For the throne, siblings murdered each other
What we know today simply as Europe,
No longer was sweetened by fluid syrup
All the people worshiped was Monarchy,
But the strife only led to 'onarchy.

AD. 4 to 13

Armies and warriors massacred villages
The land was littered with crimson pillages
The horse could not breed fast enough
And boys only lived if they became tough.
The age was christened "dark", very dark
There was no guiding light from Moses' ark
The jingle, "Man for himself, God for us,"
Ignored all the teachings of Christ Jesus.
What wrung solid, was the blade of Vikings
Ironsmiths became valued guides to kings.

AD. 13 to 16

When the pangs of hatred and angst perished The knack for blood winded, life was cherished It was time to reemerge, rebirth the mind; The Renaissance, was also very kind. In art-culture, rose many a scholar; In economics, vast grew the dollar. No longer did boys become men early And women and girls' beauty came fairly. The pen, rhetoric's wit guided politics And people were not persuaded by tricks.

AD. 16 to 17

Then came the famed Age of Enlightenment
And the homage to the environment.
The earth was global, and not again flat
And a monarch became a bureaucrat.
Oh, Europe, and unknown America
Soon greed opened up doors to Africa.
Oh, woe, woe to you, my dearest mother
Oh, be aggrieved, dishevel, lament father
You had been discovered, safe wasn't your kids
Your lads'd be auctioned, your land's up for bids.

AD. 18 to 19

Then came the Industrial Revolution
It was by no means a meek solution
For what would be the West's enormous wealth
Would prove to be Africa's burial wreath.
What did provide Capitalists' treasure
Was to become the Natives' displeasure.
My land, was only good but for slavery,
My people caged, shippēd, not for bravery.
Oh, sham, Africa faced brutality –
Over sixty million fatality.

AD. 19 to 20

Those nastily slaughtered in feudalism
Couldn't compare to victims of colonialism
The prior took from, the later occupied.
It's Colovery, both mind and matter died.
What the gun took, the Bible pacified.
Our land, became cursed, color, our war bride.
The grown-ups, were "boys", ladies, sex slaves,
And work, unpaid, lineage buried, no graves.
A byword "Black" became, same as devil,
Our culture, derelict, our pride, deemed evil.

AD. 20 to 21

The cup is half-full, Oh, independence;
The land's, officially, in dependence.
Old masters exchanged hands with corporatists.
Oil, minerals, gone, grieving separatists.
The new masters are called Structuralists,
Ending the glory of agriculturalists.
They trend in grabbing natural resources
And still Africa, is joining forces;
Awake, Oh, sleeper, demand equality,
And let nothing be taken, with illegality.

275. Adventures

Sitting down on McDonald's pallor
At City Schipol International Airport,
In the old land of the Dutch legion:
I wonder that the day rolls away;
I wonder that I should have
Written many lines of rhyme;
I wonder that I have not started
An introduction to a book I would title
Simply as: Adventures.

People on scholarships travel far and wide With cash in their bags;
But I travel with dreams in my head.
I travel on my own volition
In airplanes large and small.
In these unsponsored travels
I land on airports large and small.
In these adventures I look like a

Very Important Person or VIP,
Just like a president or prime minister;
But even though I am not all that,
The adventure, is still mine.

276. Schipol

Runways at Schipol are foggy Byways, wet and straight and saggy Weather, damp and dreary at most Hazing birds and planes in the frost.

Rains fall in bits very softly Temperatures are rising lofty And steel shadows come and take off To move the best in worlds of golf.

The queues, long and coiled like serpents Flaunting badges of exotic merchants And from neighborhoods of Deutschland Cabs pass stunk strippers of Holland.

The simmering breath grapples you And shakes of hands are far and few As friends and fiends rub hot shoulders Fleeing Netherlands from closed borders.

277. Bernados

You need Canada, And Canada also needs you:

Thus, the anthem rung very early At the dawn of civilization At the expense of neglected childhood When the call that saved Europe And erected the ladder to prosperity Was never equaled to elsewhere.

There along the corridors of Liverpool Naked boys and girls Squeezed in tiny squirms at Bernados In need of food and shelter.

And Canada was open
To extend her hand
To the rescue of a genius posterity
And the legacy of goodwill
Which now and always
Great Canada is known by.

By the wood structures in Halifax
By night or by day via Quebec City
And worn-out from ancient labor,
Inhabitants of the world
Found the warmth in work
Denied them from Great Britain
And available to children
Who were neither exclusive workers
Nor bonafide members of their families.

278. Brutus

Clap your hands all you people And shout for joy with a voice of triumph For the mighty have fallen! Oh, how they have fallen, the mighty!

Hussein is incarcerated And Bush is deified Just like Brutus murdered Caesar With a sharp blade of a sword.

Saddam has murdered peace With the face of the Iraq people

And George has butchered morality With the vanity of the United Nations.

There at the Capitol
Great Julius Caesar fell
At the hands of him that he loved.

And at Capitol Hill
The voice of the Security Council
Is silent, guilty of *vocaphobia*A disease too hard to cure.

The rhythm of warfare Has sent conflicting signals:

To aggressors, romanticism While to the victim, it is realism.

You thought wrong
That the brute quest of Brutus
Did end with the defeat
Of the Triumvirate!

279. Canada, O Country

From east coast to coast to west coast Three seas, gigantic waters boast At the confluence of the seasons Dress'd therein as queen of reasons Bordered by ten decked retinue Canada, a group's revenue!

From cold to mild cold to deep cold Whiter than a glass of pure gold The hollers of pulping maples Fall along the trees for apples To hide the pale-shaded meadows From shrilly and wintry shadows!

From one nation to another Here all freely came to gather From Pacific to Atlantic Buzz anthems novel and antique Of "O, Canada, Our Country," In both English and French poetry.

280. First Black

Thou hast trodden the path long paved By the blood of civil rights' throng Of which Dr. King civil struggles saved Though the road was dark and long

Thy long walk to white house's glory Did not in the right's movement begin Though Selma to Montgomery An open door it ushered in.

A savior in chic Obama Rare, wise and uncommonly born; Fluent in speech and sane in karma What fêted an event he won?

Over the top of Mount Pisgah There the good Lord retired Moses And raised Luther King to trigger A crown on first of black bosses.

281. Democracy

The womb of democracy has twins: One is freedom, another is peace And a nation which enjoys both wins While those nations devoid of it miss.

There is a session of spanking air, When people can freely make a choice From elections held freely and fair, An exact expression of their voice.

A people in their natures fallen An apt manager that they must choose Their liberties portly and swollen He must further, bribes he must refuse.

There are regimes power abuses They do contain, and rights they foster. A rule, fraud it never amuses While its record proves, by a pollster.

By itself democracy isn't best Only that all other forms of rule Which were finer or better or first Have been inferior and never true.

The strength of a good democracy Is not in a first-rate theocracy But in values of institutions And the rule by its constitutions.

282. Tip of Africa

At the tip of Africa, What hilarity and grandeur! The temperate west coasts Of the lovely eastern grooves, The sea, the rivers and oceans, All together weave Into a lovely impression.

The land of light and beauty; You have come to South Africa, The people in carefree moods In houses paneled and lofty By black and blue labors.

You hear the sounds of cars And see the noises they create: The best places are here Where life goes to the brim In the heart of Johannesburg, The world's city.

Here are buried in Rands, gold And its display In splendorous Eaton center. South of Africa Is a-free-country, A continent at the tip of Africa.

283. Epidemics

Oh, *Aids*, menace killer, pale, ugly! No longer a regular visitor But an on-the-loose stooge. You have aggravated immunities And robbed live communities.

You are an ephemera, Striking with ephemeral speed, Among the favorites of men. You and cancer, Refuse to grant life its properties And deny old-age its liberties.

Two displaced beasts
Afflicting joys and inflicting blows;
You have broken human cells
With lethal force
And there is no place, space, or race
Where you have not raked your face.

Assiduous fighting men Fighters of deadly agendas; Our patrons in medicine Refuse to accept your subtle drill And in time your sting will chill.

284. Inside a Genocide

Sing not on thy bed to thy child Who thou did not attempt to chide For the evil that brews within him Finds a pathway and spills the rim.

They christen it ethnic cleansing With raised guns and axes they sing When their fellow man is hunted While heroic war hymnals chanted

Who dares to scream bloody murder! To bring the fierce monster under? Thou discount sounds of genocide And thy virtue thou cast aside

The guiltless souls of the maimed dead And sights of remains beheaded In mass but shallow graves stench While justice reckons on her bench.

For Rwanda, let the rivers say And Darfur, the sands will spay Cambodian fields will not bargain And halls of gas cry, "Never Again!"

285. Kilimanjaro, the Mound of Gods

Oh Kilimanjaro, on the concourse of the Great Rift

Thou art exalted in the sight of the damned gods Whence Chishimba concocts her dubious essence And Musonda proudly pounces on weakened hearts

The peak of Mount Kilimanjaro fluffs in white As if the gods on good day be enchanted And the sides are silhouetted with dancing spirits Whence climbers mysteriously disappear

The rivers that under the mound be stymied And the oceans from far fret for its grandeur, To the celebration of the rhythm of death And the engines of life in sky nets re-appear

This is Mount Kilimanjaro, whence demons stay The near-end of rising elements and gods spay For the generations of Masai's bowls do repay And Nature, in its symphony, awards heights' pay.

286. No Longer an Alien

I have birthed three gorgeous girls
I have set businesses and rang bells
I've planted seeds of greatness in many
I have not extorted nor cheated any.

I have lectured law in many colleges I have graduated Canadians of all ages I have written many books on topics I have vacated in seasons and tropics.

I have helped the destitute find a way I've counseled and afflictions taken away I have broken bread with my enemy I have cried with those who hated me.

I have bought cars, houses and a garden I won cases, wheels of justice I've gladden I have set examples for others to follow I planned my goals, vision for tomorrow.

Must I still be called an alien, a foreigner? Mustn't I be elevated, be called an earner? Mustn't I be celebrated and awarded? Must I do more, just so I be regarded?

Surely, I'll rise up and be called blessed, Surely, the stars have aligned, am blest, For sure, I'll always be found innocent, For sure, my legacy shall be magnificent.

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287. Sweet Name

Sweet is your name to my memory
Smooth to my clean-shaven cheeks.
Did I tell you I knew about you
When in sense and word we rhymed?
You were my morning brightening star
A song I sang when I knew not how.
I saw your face always in phases,
When you smiled without blinking,
And spoke without moving upper lips.

Sound are my dreams when I fall asleep Saying your name repeatedly and softly. You were right when you kissed me And not wrong when I held you back. But it is your heart that I adore; Your smiles that dropped spotless love – For while many friends I have had, To find one like you is truly hard.

288. Broken Lullaby

Stranger your tongue and tone is a broken lullaby For before we had time to talk, we said goodbye.

I have met many who look like you, and have said "hi!"

Only to discover they are not you when they sigh.

I have tried to forget about you and reach very high

But when your frame illuminates mine, I say, "my, my!"

We were like sister and a brother when we shared a pie

But you knew to me you were not just but another guy.

One thing you didn't want me to do, I don't know why

You never let me stroke your knuckles or let me try.

You were an angel who brightened my very blue sky

And carved the wings with which I was able to fly.

289. Subway

Thank you, subway, in which my mind comes to life. For in you I hatch poetry beautiful and sensual. You fill my heart's chamber with precious thoughts And chip my hands with fruitful narratives. At St. George myriads disembark in high heels As bells and sirens cloud my ripen memory. I hear the chuckles of the young nightingales And pay attention to the songs they sing. Kennedy to Kipling sings my soul in pure verse. As I recite the sweet numbers of divine crescendo. In staccatos of blank and rhymed lines I find my being and the reason I live. Oh, you gods that rule in these darkly tunnels, Muses who sharpen my linguistic genius – Stand at Bay when Castle and Frank broadly view And all veterans keep and protect at War-den. Strange is when life abundantly flows at Keele, And while guns and brains are traded for favor at Jane.

290. Love-Marriage Mystery

Stranger to the world of love and deep feelings Struggling to understand why we do things. I saw a girl that I thought would marry me; I slapped the flakes when it was not to be. Is it only fantasies that our ideals faint? Are there proofs that its dreams that we paint? Reading through lives of human stories, Realizing that they are just forsaken glories -For every good two people that will marry, Foremost will be to kill their ex's and burry. Yet their memories will never escape at all, Yelling aloud in their absent-minded chore. It is the sound of heavy drops of tears, Eating nerves and awakening myriads of fears. Why do we change shirts like soccer players? Willing to live with products of unmet prayers? Oh, the mystery of marriage and love, Only God truly knows what's true and above?

291. Goma Lakes

Besides the still waters of the Goma Lakes,
There we strutted silently in search of fortunes.
Movements in sacredly displayed bumble sashes,
In green lands of well-groomed marshlands.
Here in silent thoughts, we hatched future lives;
Our minds ran deeply, our studies gained thrust.
There at the great university uncertainties loomed
As our graduation days grew thinner and closer;
Men and boys here came together of age
While girls and women kicked in tight jeans.

Goma Lakes, our heart and soul: With every ripple a circle of avowed expectations And every drop, a thought of anticipated vocations.

By the serene water fronts, our fears turned to joy While our vanities told us we were still learners. The level of every rescinding depth Summed up our desire to overcome retention, And fallen branches made our temporary bridges. Oh, Goma Lakes, where our betters crossed Before their day of jubilation, they celebrated!

Goma Lakes - your tall straight trees
Shall account for all the plans
Which besides your oasis, have been made.
Your caves of rounded bush and pricking barbs,
Hide deep secrets of broken virginities.
We shall come back to Goma Lakes
To vindicate our pasts now forgotten
And rejoice over pleasures that eluded us
Here at Goma Lakes, we find healing charms;
Besides the Goma Lakes, our hopes live again.
Here, our stories developed plot lines
And secured us from republics of cruel fines.

292. Sun

Sun when you are tiring, do so fast; When you awake, blow no trumpets. My people live under brimming rays; Under the guise of licking roofs! The meek darked-hearts share space To rise from rage and pain of struggle, Seeking for safety in a wrong place!

Sun on my people you shine last; After exhausting all your strength! You bring feeble rays of nutrients To calm minds weak and hands limp. Children fumble in filthy streets Begging for food in stinking basins.

Sun, set and don't blame it on the past; Neglecting hope on the sea of trouble. Your light turns to mourning And stories become weapons of failure. They fall so deep in the pit of misery And no-one braves to rescue them.

Sun close not your eyes on the just; Darkness hides its devious deeds In royal lies and eloquent speeches While rulers build futures and chalets Where they hoard pearls and treasure To feed their gigantic appetites With empty hearts and packed heads.

293. Mantras

Alien you brag, even spite yourself That slavery had its part in antiquity. You rave at the mention of its breaking Claiming the ancient minds boo-booed.

You are not alone, many are just like you Who serve frustrated bosses And pal around with industrial superiors Who thwart laws of ergonomics.

Rules in the executive boardroom Ring a different tune from those on the floor. Pain and its cousin, broken joys Wrangle incessantly in disgruntled lines.

At shipping and receiving stations Paper and palm-tracks crambo through coils Irritating already fragile eardrums Caused by years of repeated motions.

Breathless hearts pound into warehouses, Ignoring blood is thinner than diesel, While shaven bosses lax through idly, Imbibing coffee and chanting mantras.

294. Wealth

Oh wealth, oh money, oh riches! Oh mighty, oh power, oh strength! Oh wealth – do not deny me Oh money – do not elude me Oh, if you can, embrace me Oh, I beg, do not forsake me.

I know the merciless heart of lack And the miserable hand of poverty In both, human dignity retreats And stiff hands of embarrassment rule Sense and reason take an easy way And knowledge is a beggar's whip.

I have asked you, lover of none And beseeched your counsel, Accepter of all Because in you, Wit and foolhardy trust And fame answers only to you.

295. Chaisa

Chaisa, oh Chaisa, how poor a place The thought of you breaks my heart Oh Chaisa, how dusty your streets.

Chaisa, women carry two pairs of shoes And wish churches have two washrooms Little army cling to ivory-legged limbs And would not give up to strong winds.

Chaisa, men travel with polish brushes And boys wear camouflaged dustcoats. Chaisa, your houses have no foundations Catching easy colds from heavy tropics.

How can I forget you, in your lowly hour? Or forsake you, when you need power? Chaisa, how can I your desolation ignore When in dirt and dust you lay low?

296. Northern Hemisphere

I sing to your beautiful skies and days
Oh, universe of the magnificent North!
As a child I only thought of rains
And sun-scorched patches of October.
In visions, wisdom slept pale;
In endless whispers of love.
The posts of the universe in twos posit,
Walking between thickets of dry sands
And reaching white and chilly valleys.
Our minds race infantile fantasies Comparing you only to Aphrodite.
A child in terror-ripped village
Vowed to drown the darling of South
Calling her Snow and Mirage.

297. Feeble Rights

It is obvious and I can see it in your mind As you walk, aimlessly and eyes down. You are always thinking as you walk And this you do day and night. You never straighten up your head And your steps are always disoriented. Even in the flurry of spring, Your eyes are still small and squeezed. You walk as if you are hiding something And your own salutes betray you. You are an alien, better you admit it Or those who lent you feeble rights Confiscate the little you have. The streets on which you trot Are hard and cold, very cold. They were manufactured from bitumen Acquired from the sweat of slave labor The labor of vindictiveness. The peace of the world you do not have And neither do you possess joy. You claim you stay in a paneled house, Which is but a refreshing station And a changing room To which you only return at mid-night To munch hard crusts of bread Since you have no time to cook, And early in the morning, You run the monstrous machines Which neither retire nor rest.

298. Weird Thinking

The plight of an alien is his platitude. You left your own country with a quest Hoping to find gold scattered in the Polished boulevards of trekkersland. You had thought your own peoples Were ruined and uncivilized, You have used the term "backwards" Time and again, as if your people Aren't even trying to make progress. Prisoner of your own weird thinking, Is almost suitable to you, And your own languid motives cheat you. You are never content, never satisfied. Some people have better manners, And better manners are bedrocks of Candid civilizations. Some people display mature ways of life And do not ignorantly offend others In the lands in which they are aliens. Some are aliens on grants, The benefits of which will never Develop their deserted nations. There were opportunities you never saw In the land in which you claim Nothing developmental goes on. But now you say, how I will be rich When I return to my own country; Such hypocrisy is huge, Since kings are born, and not made.

299. Industrial Towns

I see the rains pouring steadily outside. The land is being watered for cultivation And you are wondering why the waste Since no clear land exists, Only silhouetted towers and skyscrapers. No pigsties exist, too, Only idyll havens Full of electronically operated motors. There is no hoe for agriculture, either. They have combine harvesters, And long honked tracks and tractors Which bring in corn, wheat and rice In bulk supplies for sale and export. There are transit carriers and long buses Carrying busy and disheveled men And blond and brunette women. Industrial power is auto-run While human labor works them in shifts And their din never fades. Such is the state of affairs in these Industrial towns where gold is unheard of. Alien, you only see automobiles Which are feminine Since their owners treasure them more Than they care for their wives. Cars outnumber the traveling public And the outnumbered, control traffic rights. Alien, you see all the beautiful surroundings And they don't belong to anyone As owners have not paid for mortgages.

300. Free Existence

An alien, is he only so because of birth? If we should allow him to obey laws Just as citizens do, Can't we also allow him to exist freely? An alien is a dreamer, Always dreaming of threats of relocation. What if he does not have anywhere to go? If his native land is infested by plagues Or is invaded by other foreigners, Or worse still, canopied by battle planes? Is it only lack or poverty, That pushes an alien to voyage? He sees innocent policemen in dreams Coming towards him and asking for papers, Demanding that he shows them evidence That he came in through right means. By right means, they do not mean Coming by chartered flights Or in luxurious greyhounds, But with authorization by the Consulate of the nations Which, too, exist in the alien's country. They talk about law and order and cops. They count the alien's steps and Ensure that he does not exceed the limit. Yet you seem to understand law and order And you are more law-abiding than The citizens of the nation in which You seek refuge. If you are law-abiding, Why do you still think you are a foreigner?

301. Dreams of an Alien

The dreams of an alien are weapons, Horrendous and lethal. His night visions are invisible And well-plotted. In his dreams, an alien can be free, Free from fear of relocation and trespass. In his night visions he can buy a house, Find great a job and be an executive. In his dreams all plants are green, And all roads lead to bliss. In these exotics all scenes are in summer, No winter inconveniences, And all settings are in late spring With beautiful surroundings and flowers; And all flowers are either daisies or roses, And all roses are red and white. But he wakes up, all about him Is either blurred or suffocated; How he longs for the night When he can fall again and fantasize And reach places Too difficult for commoners, And wear clothes Too expensive for the jobless. An alien's dreams are sweet, too. In the best of deep dreaming, Ideas are laid and hatched in full, Bearing green leaves and vellow fruits. Here he is not imprisoned by his reason But liberated by it.

302. Schizophrenic

An alien is accused of being schizophrenic, A mental disorder of ambivalence. He is made to behave like one Because he does not have enough sleep. A man with rights is a small god, Able to recreate and reproduce. But a foreigner is like an impotent rich ruler.

"Once there lived an impotent emperor, Who, due to sheer vanity,
Added one concubine to the numbers yearly. The thing in between was but a haunch.
The young charmed maidens were wasting
Inside the marble palace.
They peeped through narrow lintels
For the courtiers who wear no silky apparel
And feed on no dignified a table.
Yet they have living hernias.
He was a king with a populous kingdom,
Extending from coast to coast,
And his queens lay flat-bellied
As flat as the king's own dining table!"

So is an alien, in the land in which His abilities are despised and ignored. Alien wouldn't despise, the schizophrenic.

303. Hope

An alien counsels, do not underestimate The power of hope because hope outlives. Hope in the land where you never wasted Your umbilical cord. Hope is a living thing; and has a heart. Hope passes current inconveniences And brings valued agendas to the brim.

"I hope in these hopeless terrains
Of landlessness.
In the midst of failure, I have seen success,
And I can reason why.
I walk with eyes down, an open mind and
With eclectic thoughts.
I allow not my independence to betray me."

Though the land where you live is not yours, Do not despise your economic potential. It cannot be hijacked, but gives you power, The ability to procreate and improve others. Do not be reduced to a pathetic loafer, And that, not even in your matrimonial bed. But write books, on poetry or romance And sell them on the Internet or bookstores And earn yourself a reasonable living. In that way, you can sit down And let your talents feed you.

304. Rich People

The alien advises, there are rich people And people with riches. Rich people are rare and few in number Since they have to have rich minds. People with riches are large in numbers But riches find wings and fly away. People go to work daily, yet only little benefit. I learned this because I was once looking for reality's old meaning And stumbled on several laws of economics. Streets are filled with movements of workers Children go to fast restaurants for fatty foods. They grow up obese or near to it And are ashamed of themselves. Others in nations where food is scarce Deem it a blessing to be fat, even very fat. When they get skinny, They are ashamed of themselves Because society might think They suffer from incurable diseases.

Tax return brings future rebates. I regret selling my house in my native land, And now I move like a shadow And a destitute in a foreign land.

"Time is Money" is true to the West And "by grace we survive," is to the South.

305. Critical Thinker

An alien is not a stranger to critical Thinking; he does engage his mind In productive reasoning.

Truth is what always wins and stays Untainted and unadulterated.

"Once there was a man determined To defeated truth. He introduced his Arguments with lies and supported Them with lies. Then one day his First born son was born and medical Officials told him that he was a girl. He disputed the fact with truth Because he saw that the baby Had no female features on it And he would not give his child A girl's name. From that time on, He respected truth and vowed To say the truth and nothing But the truth: and so, God helped him!"

A truthful plan is not devoid of ideas, It can only be neglected.
It is truth that foreigners are, By relativity, very wealthy.
There is truth that they live
To invest since they might be asked to Leave for their countries.
In your own country, critical thinking Is rare because all you see is familiar
To you and to everybody else.
You are shaped in a predictable form
And good ideas are not easily conceived.
Good plans are rubies in strange lands.

306. Race of Women

I was a stranger to the race of women Until I had tied a matrimonial knot. Beautiful, elegant women are very strange, And do they really exist in strange lands? "Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder" As it applies to women, is very deceptive. For after one marries and stays with her, He ceases to see her face, However pretty it is, Instead one begins to see her heart, However hidden it might be. Women are sophisticated from afar, Nearer they are not. Their charm is not on what they put on, But in what they neglect. From afar, her lips are red and dripping; Her eyes are doves and flying; Her mouth is watery and inviting; Her curves are divine and enticing; And her voice is soft, as calm as streams Of the quiet waters. But what you don't know about her Is that she is a mystery, As unpredictable as a chameleon. Yet when she comes nearer, And after you place her in your arms, She is simply as delicate as rules of begging. Those eyes are just large globes, Empty sockets, but lively and beautiful And strong men have paid for them. She wears fashions of deceiving splendor And you learn to love her For the reality that you don't even know.

307. Idle Mind

Oh, that I should be given something, Cried an alien. That I might not stay idle, Loafing and eating the bread of laxity. Work is the aim of life, The bell that awakens conscience. A worker owns the world in which He toils and derives satisfaction from it. In the pockets of work are Three compartments; One says eat, the other says shelter And the last one says *clothe*. These compartments are occupied And when they are empty, Untold miseries and pain come. That is why a worker has Found the bait to attract the three. A loafer has not.

"One day a crazy man washed his School books in the sink in order to Soften his understanding of the subject. He forgot that there is no nexus Between paper and grey matter, Though some papers may be grey. In another institution of learning A crazy student was found studying With lights switched off. After the Lights were switched on, he was seen Busy in his books flapping pages And making notes. Asked why he was Studying in the dark, he replied that He had no time to waste, day or night."

308. Time

To be stranger to time is worse than The sin of immorality. Immorality, though, Is a worst state of the heart. Time helps us to demarcate a day And helps our days flow smoothly, And is essential to life. Yet time brings anxiety and heartaches. The realization that there is time Is what forces the lazy to get up But hard workers are deluded By the idea that time eludes them! The guilt that follows moments Of time wasting are greater than The pleasures that are achieved As a result of doing little in much time. There is time for everything and No time for nothing. That is why God has allowed people To work in their dreams Even though their bodies are dead. In a place where everybody works And time is as vital as the heart's state, Find strength to spend eight Or twelve hours of real work. An alien from the land of the carefree Will starve to death in a province Where you earn a dollar hourly, And not a salary for no work done at all. Time spent at school is thus appreciated As long as a salary Honors your past school efforts.

309. Good and Evil

A stranger warns; do not put your trust in mortal men

Born from the grotesque wombs of women. Scientists too are not to be overtly trusted.

One of them once said,

"Evil and good are simply hypothetical ideas And neither bad nor good people exist." He perceives evil as a mental perspective

And yet our elders, who have seen much, Dispute the fact as inconsistency.

Evil and good are the sciences of morality,

Which are to be learned empirically

And which also distinguish

Mature men and immature women from Immature men and mature women.

To deny evil exists is to be evil personified And to discard thrives to be good,

Is being truly unscientific.

Oh alien, poor alien,

Be a believer in truth and a disbeliever of evil And in that you will prove the ancient slogan That Darwin left hanging by simple postulations. The 'unimpeachable' Evolution Theory is an enigma

To non-scientists and a mental grave to the religious

And both are not to be supposed.

To be professor with no good or bad notion Is like being ridiculed for walking on the moon, And this too is as a bath in concentrated acid.

310. Rules of the Game

The alien is sworn to play by
"The Rules of the Game" and I say
Do not despise such cheap propaganda.
These are the essential mores
And dynamic social rules
Which have shaped our world
From time immemorial.
They have maintained a certain amount
Of social order and tranquility
And have squeezed delinquency
From sophisticated social misfits.

Advocates of our legal system And enforcers of our laws Are they trained to pursue or Denigrate our earthly rights? Do they defend or defeat law? Do infidels escape while The innocent are punished, If it is not so, then tell me? Cooked defenses are tasty, More than prosecution procedures. Acquittals on technicalities And convictions on insufficiency of Evidence are all ploys to deny justice To the men and women who can't talk Yet we repair mitigations and allow Evil to flourish in a world In which felon is lawlessness While defending of hard cores Is quintessential professionalism. Alien, seek to do justice, always.

311. Rundlehorn Drive

The fantastic breeze just on The onset of summer In the inner corridor of Rundlehorn Drive Behind Pinehill Street, Calgary, Alberta Swells with sounds of remembrance. The wetlands of Twatotela Crescent. Overshadowed by light industrial dins, In the land where God has never retired And miners never go on annual vacations. The feeling of summer is Light to the blind soul Awakening all the senses of ecstasy And bringing joy to its full. Oh, how I love these senses, The sweet smells of after rains Which have poured all night long And soothe our feeling of trepidations. This breeze is calm And resonates with unexplained Greatness and mildness And Alberta's weather is unpredictable, A strange reminder of the serenity Of Zambia in the cold season.

312. Fall from Purity

Why is it that your buttocks are flat, Like a can of beer, they are empty? You stuff and staff them With pieces of pink paper So that when you walk No lines follow your contours. You have been complaining, That one day you are going to Dig out the entire road network Because you have seen enough Bodies and empty buttocks. You complain that Young girls are making you crazy. That they have no manners because of The way they dress which Leave a lot to be desired. Stop moving, alien, Because what you have just seen Is only a drop in an ocean. You are yet to see The winter of shameless nudes; The spring of artificial breasts, The summer of bizarre heights And then you will fall from purity.

313. Super Problems

Alien in the nation to which You have proudly gone to settle, Do not overlook the value of Small nations around. Do not say the land in which I have graciously sought refuge Is a super class super power. For the rulers of the smaller But peaceful nations Will hear you and lecture you. For there must be good leaders To breed excellent followers. But with the theory of International politics Big nations do not lead Smaller nations because of The doctrine of Sovereignty. Yet the Republic of South Africa Rules over the kingdoms of Lesotho and Swaziland With economic overloads. The United States of America Rules over Iraq and Afghanistan With military overtones. Alien, superpowers have Super problems and small nations May have huge economic potentials. And do not be fooled: Big nations will someday collapse Just like Rome and Egypt did And smaller nations will rise Just when you least expect it.

314. Emmerance

This is the word of wisdom
The alien gave to Emmerance
In the land in which
She was born,
A land which became hers
By virtue, of birth,
And the land in which her
Umbilical cord was accurately
Cut and destroyed:

"To be truly free, my daughter, Acquire knowledge and by it Gain understanding, discretion, Goodwill and prudence.

Do not wait for the money lovers To offer you patterned knowledge, The world around you shall be Your classroom and nature Shall tell you all you need to know.

Read books written by
Passionate researchers and
Do not despise the counsel
Of those who came before you.
Whenever your head gets stuck,
Do not be headstrong,
But rather lift up your eyes
To the skies where He lives.

True freedom, my well beloved, Lies in knowing who you are And respecting the rights of others."

315. Clientele

I, an alien and a visitor in the land of The mortals again and again ask this:
Do politicians play by the rules or against? They amass lucrative wealth
At the expense of governable masses
And pretend to play patriotism
Only, and only when it befits them
And as quickly as they lose elections
They organize versatile protests.

Protocol.
Politics.
Power.

Apart from their plosive sounds, What do they share in common, tell me? They act on the stage of frail promises, And are cheered for victories They never initiated. These are day-time robbers. What more, should I talk about Their "honorable titles," And the monopoly they demand On sweat-earned national capital Which they have grabbed And registered in their names, far away! This is strange, And a chasing after wind. Liars are attractive and unavoidable. Extortionists are simple and organized, No wonder they easily win the hearts Of hard-working citizens. Has our world paid lip-service To the troubles of voiceless masses?

316. Preachers and Politicians

They preach...

They teach

And loudly proclaim.

The pulpit and senate podiums

And parliament and church buildings are one.

The constitution,

And the Bible

Are both enforceable...

And exegesis and legal interpretation

Are similar

And so is the clientele for one,

The clergy,

The same as for the other,

The politician.

Promises...and the Word of God,

Reverberate in the ears of

The "faithfuls" in the name of God.

And the "faith-fools" are sulked

In the name of partisanship.

Actions are taken and judgments passed.

"Believe in the Lord and you will be saved,"

Declares one,

And, "Believe in the loan and receive low rates,"

Demands the other.

Give.

Give.

And "it shall be given back to you,"

Emphasizes the clergyman...

Give up,

Give up!

Give up what: property, rights?

Stresses the politician.

317. Love Theorem

"Falling in love is chemical reaction," Retorts the chauvinist. One can stay in love, And the other can walk into it, And marriage is a recipe for disaster And the bigot does not know. Love dies. And love lives. Love is a predictable feeling. And love has a life span. And nobody seems to dispute all that, A twenty first century love theorem And a blatant one for that matter. For the older generation, Marriage is better than flirtation. But for the novel generation, Vacillation from partner to partner Is not a specialization in promiscuity. Fall in love. And multiply the falling again and again And then marry her, for God's sake, And tell the coward to be brave And tell him that he should marry! To live with a woman, Is definitely very hard indeed, But to live without her Is unarguably not what a man needs. And this is the song, sing it again: To the stranger, sing organized rhythms And play the drums to deafness And loudly declare, that divorce, Is a tuneless symphony played by A disorganized orchestra.

318. Money and Politics

Alien, in the foreign land where you go, Several things you must remember And one thing you should not forget: That politics and life are twins; They have existed alongside each other For time and time immemorial. Life is not run by politicians But politics rule at the center of life Money and politics Are two sides of the same coin Yet politics have hijacked its place And relegated it to obscurity. Be no stranger to cash And embrace the chance to politick Because money is the weapon of politics And them that have it Are tigers in their own jungles. Business and charities And non-governmental organizations And the church and interest groups Have joined forces, everywhere. There's no place where their voice Has not been heard and neither is money's. Are politicians white washed tombs? People appoint them; politics promote them. And I am sure money will demote them. Alien, Join politics, like me, But don't be a politician, like them.

319. Boiling Soul

Why my soul you boil within me? Why you constantly unsettle yourself? Should I tread the canyons and deserts To bring you the peace you deserve?

Peace swings like babies on pendulum My soul groans like a pigeon My blood boils furiously like a broiler While I feel the measure of real drapes.

Is there solace for the troubled soul? Is there moments when they can rest? Is there a place quiet and peaceful? Is there a place for souls in distress?

Yet I am weary and tired of just living While my peers swim in chocolate dyes And wear suits of green embroidery. Is there peace for a man of many plans?

320. Payday

Alien to the feelings that you desire,
To the dreams that pass by in the night.
There you sit in the center of burning fire
To absolve every punch without a fight,
And day lingers like a pitiful tear.
As memory holds her bowels tight
To run from shadows she must not fear.
Do you think night is dark, day bright?
They work better whose respect is for peer
Who frighten fear with a sense of might
And believe payday is very near
To inoculate lack and numb the bite.

321. Woman's Side

A stranger I am to colds, and lengths, and heights and wides,
To free sight, to climbs, and
To pocking noses.
Mine is not the stature of giants
Nor of the pride of
Easier-spelled names.
And yet in this proudly I stand;
In the bosom of a woman's side,
In the chamber of pulping nerves
And the path of flowing life!

On the wrong tunes, they have played The dancers have not moved a step Flat tires are sustained By enlarging fondling And soft voices of dying breathe. There is no known sweetness as these, No sense as six times these Hidden fountains! Their taste no man has ever despised And in these embraces, dies the might And surrenders vetted heroes.

322. Bed Chamber

Alien to the ways of the bed chamber Looking as one battered by seven harmers Pulsing perfidiously in off and on modes Being unable in manner or posture to recant.

Alien you neglected the waves of life Like an impotent king with myriad virgins. There is purpose in breathing deeply And intimately in the process of nature.

Men use toys to bridge off the child guy And women look for glories in gossip. It is what they never say that hurts; For women as men, fear to fail in bed.

These lives divine no Viagra's need Virility rescinding nimbleness to feed Their agile surging power in force to recede Reducing procreativity in source and speed.

323. Rulers

When rulers rule, they say great things. Their voice is heard in motion and pictures; Their name is called by imperials and kings. In games by lot pairs crash in fixtures.

The known will soon end in quarterfinals; The unknown will ascend to the grand trials. Twelve men will compete for a prize tonight And a numberless throng will give a cheer.

In their wallets and purses days rejoice And their work place is a litter of grief. Here is a man with justice he rules Guiding minds and ideas to laughing tables.

Swerving chairs and plates in joy will cheer To mark a season of mended hopes; This for long has eluded their wishes But with a vote of confidence will return.

324. Ignorance

I was, ignorant of the race of all Until I came to Toronto Airport lounge Then I saw the world in a lamp of glitter.

I was, cheated by the illusions of race Until I sat on transit's rocket wheels Then I learned that people exist in colors.

I was, holding on to untruthful legends Until I entered the mammoth subways Then I realized variety has a name.

I was, afraid to talk my thoughts aloud Until at Humber I entered a geniuses' class Then I saw that brains respect no threats.

I was, disturbed by my foreign accent Until I spoke words attractive and smooth Then I knew that I was complete and human.

For the lessons we learn while awake Strange they may be, yet short and true.

325. Roundness of the Globe

"Do not gaze at me", Began the alien, "With those blue and brown eyes of yours. I also have my own people, with a culture. We were ten when we were born, With seven strong boys and three girls. We leaped through the jungle of life With fried opinions and hammered lips And found the world a stratum of classes. Now I have lost all who were mine. And that not through bullets or jaw-bones, But through the roundness of the globe. Yet I have this to my credit, I love the smell of ink, and the Bluntness of a pen, and my hands, Are strings on a well-tuned violin."

Thus, began and ended the Curriculum vitae of the alien, Whose brief account of his own Qualification and previous occupation, Does not exceed the thoughts Of those around him, And the job that he seeks Is not in places their qualified delve.

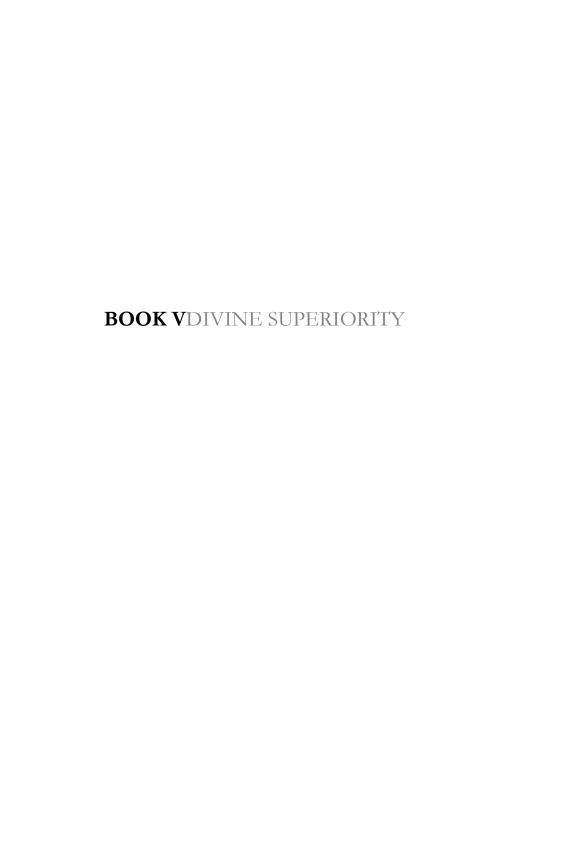
326. Epiloguia

The song of an alien, for the alien, Has been sung in a foreign land Where he has not belonged, And to the people unfamiliar And unappealing, From the world of issues.

To munch a large elephant
Is the duty of everybody,
Because by its size, an elephant is huge.
One man picks one piece
And faithfully feeds it to another man
Who was left idling at home,
Yet the glory of the killer is unknown.

To kill a huge beast,
Allow it to swallow you alive first
Lest in-between its teeth you lie grounded.
In the land in which you are,
You are an alien, a visitor, a stranger.
Eat only the portion of your grass
And sleep only on the bed you have made
And plant seeds of benevolence
In order to reap fruits of good will
From honest plants of undaunted justice.

On this earth, we are all aliens And many will be The forces of alienation. Through ink and pain, We write our experiences And sow seeds of love in others.



327. Sonate to Plenty

You don't just own cattle on a thousand hills, You are in charge of all corporate bills; Indeed, I now need thousands of moneys, Your love keeps me warm as myriad honeys; I go not to bed worry'ng of the next cash, I'm pleased, I'm endeared by a rainbow dash; My funds surfeit, my purse swirls to the brim, With abundance, You fill me to the rim; Never shall I have problems gaining wealth, Never shall I worry due to my health; One who owns gold and silver is my Dad, He won't allow His son lack or go sad; My soul, be happy, in God You have shares, Do find peace, tomorrow for self it cares.

328. Words Fail Me

Oh, Lord God, you created me with all tools Yet words fail me to declare all your rules For thou art our God, the only true God For thou art unique, O Transcendent Lord For thou art the owner, master, True Sir And all creation worships you, near and far Thou art our Holy Father in all wise For you carest, provideth, and chastise Oh, Supreme Lord, Despotes, O Kurios Our All in all, the Almighty, O Theos.

329. Indescribable YOU

How can I praise You,
O sweetest of Heaven,
You,
who dwells in unapproachable haven,
You, who is terrific,
prolific,
and truly omnific
Thy creation, magnific,
and altogether beatific!

330. Ultimate Prayer

Let my future be uncertain, undefined, unclear, So, I can know the power of Your convincing faith;

Let the sharpest pain lunge through my bleeding flesh,

So, I can appreciate the pleasure of Your healing hand;

Let me suffer loss, be destitute and reel from misery,

So, I can understand the meaning of divine providence;

Let my plans be frustrated, my dreams fail to come true,

So, I can stay true to what You have purposed for my life;

Let me experience disappointment, utter humiliation,

So, I should never put my trust in my own shrewdness;

Let me be rejected, dejected and totally offended, So, I should learn to love those who despise me; Let me fail lamentably, suffer invectives and insults,

So, I should endear every victory that comes from You;

Let me taste lack, be broke beyond penniless despair,

So, I should know that every good gift comes from above;

Let me go naked, be vulnerable, homeless and needy,

So, I can crave to abide under the shadow of Your wings;

Let somebody else win, best me, come out ahead of me,

So, I should be contented with the success that is Yours;

Let me die a bitter, painful and an agonizing death, So, I may wake up whole, in blissful, joyous by and by.

331. Good Grace

You have delivered me from their wolverine claws You have spoken to their minds and hearts And You have silenced the trouble-makers Surely, their grasp is broken, their will shattered The Giffens, will not for me trouble make Lord, I am assured of Your never-ending love I am satisfied with Your everlasting kindness You have shown me mercy and preserved me Also, I have watched in the morning hours And have heart Your tender voice saying, "It is over, it is over my son, you're free!" O bless the Lord, bless the Lord O my soul And do not forget His benefits and good works For as sure as day and night will reveal themselves So has the Good Lord manifested His good grace. Amen!

332. In Your Mercy, I Trust

You will again deliver me from The panther's hold,

So, Your eternal wonder I may live to behold; The Peter's inquiries, You will also render null, The weapon of a pen, will not be sharp, will remain dull;

You will speak my name in their midst with favor, All for Your righteousness' sake, not because I am clever;

I have forgiven Hagos, You will reward him with acceptance;

You're my hope, Oh Lord of mercy, my Heavenly entrance;

I know, I will not be disappointed,

For You'll defend me;

I will raise a praise anthem, and from afar only see; Yes, I'll watch Your divine advocacy, You're my lawyer;

My fear, You'll conquer, O great and mighty destroyer, Amen!

333. Essence of Presence

We have wondered away from Your presence We thought of floundering Your holy essence Yet, not for a moment did You forsake us Not for a moment You withdrew Jesus Father, You saw us when we did not pray You were acquainted with our vainly play You did not forget us, not even once You did not grant our enemy a chance On our knees, will we bow before this Cross 1340 Not for a time, will we stray from its course.

334. When I Pray

My soul wonders like one lost in deep jungle I seek for peace my heart so longs for When I awake, my worries are before me When I say I should hide, behold I am still here

Taken by the wiles of the world Pricked by the thorns of the world Tricked by the lies of the world Stricken by the tries of the world

My only recourse is to you, dear Lord When I picked up that Holy Script, Oh, even in this I am deeply enchanted, How that the book so simple, breeds solutions divine

How that man in his desperation forsakes it That woman have begged for fullness apart from it That in our humiliation we have not gone to it And our own frailty of life have not discovered it

For me, I toss in bed for hours, hours without end I reason in the secrets of my thoughts without end I reflect on the myth of the coming end Oh, who will decipher beginning from end

For there is no peace one finds in earthly glory No-one has returned to tell of the end of life Indeed, we may desire to live but for this life Yet, within my soul there is faith divine Within the concourses of my doubts I find belief Within the worries of life I find a way open Within this hole, this emptiness of my heart Within this search my heart hears a voice

I once walked the dry steps of the print of God Heard the waterfall of glorified saints sing and pray And led a throng of worshippers to the throne of mercy;

Oh, how my being rejoices for a chance of this!

My soul said, indulge for tomorrow is illusive Drink and be merry and shun the fear of death Drown yourself in the pleasure of life And forget about the fear of the good Lord.

My own views were clear and I said I will attempt all

I will find out what is it that the wicked have mastered,

I will go where they learn and observe them
I will pretend I have no knowledge of the Holy
One

I struggled to find my hand at their best skill and power

For with simplicity they acquired pleasure And with sophistication they braved hearts and souls

And with plain gain they indulged to the very essence.

At no time did they mention of the wrath of Judgment

No-one dared to define the end of all sinners For to them, the end comes with the last breath, And they hope only for what mind and brain demand.

They sang of songs of pure earthly joys They planned for their sons and daughters They acquired great wealth with all mighty They knew they would die someday.

I saw that they had a thought of the future, their future

They abhorred any who dared mentioned God And they looked down upon those who believe For to them, only shallow minds contemplate God.

Many times, I saw sense in their machinations Their plans prospered and they lived in luxury Their ingenuity brought forth innovations Their brilliance revolutionises technologies.

I said to myself, this is how life should be approached

Without the bondage of a faith that never rewards The worries of the omissions to an invisible God And the fears of the Judgment to come.

Just when I began to be comfortable, my soul failed me

My achievements became trophies of a desperate winner

And all those defences I knew kept me safe Only gave me more sleepless nights and great perturbation I have come to a place of reconciliation, a place of penance

When I think that I have a legacy, alas, it has no foundation

When I say I will depend of the books I have written

In that I find a small joy and a begging ferment.

For man, there is nothing good but to eat and drink

To enjoy the flowers growing naturally in nature And to work with one's hands to perfection While God lends us all a brief existence on earth.

And I walked by the elegant cemetery where death is pensive

There I saw the frailty of man's machinations I heard the unsaid silences of the traps of living without God

And my heart became a circus of troubled waters.

Who has wisdom to read the invisible ink To understand that it is a chance of naught To peg our hopes in things we do To forget the mercies of the Holy One

Deep down my heart I knew the answer, only imperfect

I knew that from the cheapness of God's love Flows the priceless trophy of life's desires For which man may be saved and delivered It is travesty, that weak men have abused the grace of God

That money and materialism have ended real prayer

And all live only to please their bellies Without giving God His glory

I now understand what I should do: not tomorrow I will tell God of all my weaknesses: he heals souls I will disclose my deepest ambitions: he will bear with me

And I will ask for his forgiveness: he is slow to anger;

For he abounds in mercy and compassion

Oh God, add more hours to my whimpering years Do not give my soul to the shackles of the burning hell,

And let me tell of your wonders like you are Even when I need it only for a short time

And in these my daily toils, teach me to see the end

For in much toiling I am still very empty And in much anticipation, I gain only frustration As in one duty there is more tasks waiting

Give me a simple life to enjoy, a simple life to guard Give me love for those things that matter to you And the knowledge of those things that have value Since only through you can there be true peace I have three or four adventures I would like to fulfill

Oh Lord, you know they are in line but only of grace

They are the childish ambitions of my life And if I should achieve them I know they are vanity

Yet give them to me, nevertheless What is this white which my body so desire What is this power that my mind will cheer And this law that I may be nobly sure

In this white, I will know you have been fair to mankind

In this power I will bring to you the glories of earth

And in these I will build for all nations a godly rest;

For in these vanities, let your true wisdom reign

When I pray, I seek for highs higher than spirits When I pray I see with a clearer lens When I pray, I heal from all anxieties When I pray, even bad turns to God's glory

Oh, the mystery of an answered prayer The strength of one who is a skilled player Because we all can become only good When what we feed on is God's love food

335. Jesus Christ

In coming He chose us, promises fulfilled In living He loved us, all sickness He healed In dying He saved us, all sin paid for in full In rising He freed us, for He's faithful In ascending He held us, many rooms to create In sitting He prays us, the way is straight In returning He gathers us, in Him we grow In judging He rewards us, in Him we glow In separating He blest us, hearts at ease In reigning He changes us, His rule is in peace.

336. Works of Charity

For the sake of your secret blessings, don't pay There is a rewarder of those who dare to pray Whose right hand does not interfere with left And when they gave they quickly left.

Blessed are those who must not show off When all they did was help the sufferings of Those who had nothing even to repay For all the gifts received when they pray.

It is better to give your gifts in secret Where no-one can dig through the concrete And hope to find out that it was you Who gave the way of the blessed few.

God honors the gifts given in love The ones which are not announced above So that no-one can know the givers And such receive all of God's favors.

337. Cheerful Giver

God loves a cheerful giver;
The one who gives for a purpose,
The purpose greater than just showing off.
There are people in this world who need help.
There are people in need of our help every day
And these people should be the genuine recipients
of our gifts.

We should be careful that we are not heaping rewards on those who already have plenty Or on those who are bent on building their own empires in the name of God.

God has made it very clear that our giving Should be in secret and not in public making a publicity stunt of it.

When we do such, we pre-empt God's ability to bless us,

And in that way too, we receive the praises of men And miss out on true divine rewards. Seek, and again I say, seek to give, Especially to those in desperate need, And God will surely bless you.

338. Mercy and Grace

Mercy withheld from us what we deserve Grace gave to us what we did not deserve Lord, it was mercy that saved us from hell And grace did send us to heaven's well By mercy I knew that sin's shame was gone And by grace, I knew that God's will was done Mercy, how wonderful You sealed the hole Grace, how amazing Your rule made me whole So, I bow, with truth that mercy found me I worship, grace gave me eyes now I see.

339. God and Wine, I

Genesis portrays wine as a social beverage
For merriment and distress relief.
It was drunk at social functions
And it came to be a symbol of blessings
To those who had found favor in the eyes of God.
Its intoxicating effects were not placed to the
gallows. Surely, those who floundered with its
effects,

Especially if they took advantage of those who were very drunk,

Were looked upon with impunity.

Even that did not discount the beckoners of blessings And God's endorsement of approval On those who deservedly earned it.

In the main, wine had come to be a mark of richness, happiness

And a blessing to be bestowed upon those who had done good or great things.

340. God and Wine, II

For Noah having been delivered from the flood And from drowning in the pool of the lost blood In the land where he was to be newly enchanted Drunk to nakedness from the vineyard he planted

In the shock of the effects of that brew of wine Then we awake to reality, to discover if all is fine For the intoxication does last but for a night And we should know from thence if all is right

Oh, Melchizedek, thou King of Salem Thou Priest of the Highest of Jerusalem For thine wast the gifts of pure wine And bread baked from the embers of pine!

When God destroyed the cities of Siddim For the sins of the people had come to Him He preserved Lot with daughters, no wife Who made him drunk, and began a life.

From the son's wine, Isaac drank to bless From the heirs to the patriarchs, no less And wine was the thing God would give To sustain man and his sins to forgive.

O this blood of grapes, sparkling and red For peers, choice drink and sleep-aid For gods, trophy, for mortals, a green card And whose countenance it has made glad

A drink offering to the might gods is wine A quota given neither with malice nor brine Yet forbidden in the Tent of Meeting While the earth gladly takes of its biting. For a Nazarite shall bear a special swagger Only separated from all wine's vinegar Albeit, a shaven Nazarite shan't of wine drink And from his duties he shall not brink.

The God of heaven has created feelings
And wine to bring cheer and healings
A sweet offering to complement all chances
The best of wine's aroma to fill all senses

And he will love you, bless you and multiply you He will also bless the fruit of your body, too He will bless the fruit and wine of your land And satisfy the works of your laboring hand

The best friend of old, O might wineskin For to sojourn with you was only akin Our sons and daughters followed our song And a curse fell when we didn't store for long

Not only does wine rejoice God and man It may be restrained for the sake of destiny To bear sons of valour and mighty warriors And with wine, no place exists for worriers

It was commonsensical that wine intoxicates A mourning and sorrowful spirit it differentiates Yet, when the Lord's Prophet is born It is given in offering for the holy son.

Ammon's heart is merry with wine, so strike All who drink it, to mirth as to their own spike May to danger also they succumb and fall While such with faint hearts it strengthens all. The reward of those God has called To take them to the land of wine and bread Of olive fruits and well-preserved honey So, they may live and spend no money.

Of all fine flour, frankincense and oil To enjoy the chores, they ever toil Of all choice wines and special spices And God has broken their sorrow to pieces.

Oh, give me wine, give it to me I pray And give me silver so I may not spay For kings and subjects alike may imbibe And to draught they may never succumb

May we be at liberty to serve different drinks Even according to how each person thinks For in golden goblets as in vain receptacles The royal wine in plenty shall be in spectacles.

To Job, when his sons gather to celebrate To Job, in wine all their wealth they calibrate To Job, whose breast is as wine without a vent To Job, all calamities he cannot prevent!

You have put more rejoicing in my heart Than when the wine is bound to be an art; Yet wine that makes people reel and daze is bad But red well-mixed wine, not forms, makes glad.

So shall your storage be filled with plenty And with new wine your vats hold abundant; And not with the wine of violence Nor with the bread of insolence. For wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler And the unwise reels at it like a fouler Since the love of wine makes poor The temptation for it is not for a ruler.

Its wine's duty to cheer the mind and body But it takes the heart to instruct everybody On how to control the signs of wantonness For wine as money may answer to idleness.

Only one is better than wine; your love And only your love, O my dearest dove For like wine, your love cheers me up And shows due course to my heart's map.

Let wine always be sharp, not mixed with water Let it not be inflammable, making reason falter Let not your heroism be in intoxicant brews For judgment it taints, rulers mix-up rules

Oh, cease not making the sounds of joy But instead, eat and apply anointment oil For tomorrow we may all be dead And our memory from the earth may fade

So sad are the days of sorrow, when joy ends And the new wine mourns, the vine press bends All the merrymakers stand still and only sigh And there is none to cheer or make us high

A vineyard beloved and lovely, O sing Woe to the crown of the prince of gong For even the priest and prophet reel And the righteous stumble from its feel. They are drunk, but not from wine They stagger, but not from strong drink They are taken away from the land of wine From sweet wine, to the land of bitter drink

There is a wine bought without gold A drink strong and yet I am still told There is a peace that comes from God A tomorrow beyond measure or odd.

The Lord has sworn by His right hand For sure I will not deny you grain fund Nor subject your wives to enemies` rape But will preserve you as the juice of grape.

Your bottle shall be filled with wine, not bitterness For God may repay you with a cup of bitter wine When you obey the Lord, He'll give you a break And command wine never to cease for your sake.

Neither shall any priest drink wine in inner court But in palaces of honor they shall be for support For it's the Lord who gives new wine and means From those who forsake him, He lifts no liens.

Men's rulers shouldn't drink at people's expense But give to all who have asked for its providence So that people may drink from grapes they planted O God for fresh wine's sake, let not evil be ranted.

For great is God's goodness to me And great is his beauty to see Grain shall make the young men brave And fresh wine the maidens to thrive Then as now, new wine is put in new wineskin And for this new covenant, He must suffer within For the Holy Spirit will replace the crave for wine And empower him with graces divine.

For Jesus came drinking wine and eating bread And do not say that he has a demon, O Israel For to the infected, pour in wine, reduce the dread And the afflicted will be saved from fires of hell.

And when the wine was all gone, The mother of Jesus said to him alone: "They have no more wine to drink," And Jesus made wine in a blink.

When the day of Pentecost came, they were drunk The outsiders mocked at them as frank And as early as before it was time for potion But Peter stood and calmed the commotion.

You may drink wine or eat any food you want Only do not let it offend a non-participant And not get drunk with wine, its sin Be filled with the Spirit and shine.

No longer should you drink only water You should drink a little wine at altar But only because of your poor health And not as a way to accrue wealth.

If thou drinketh, thou shan't be enslaved to wine Thou shalt never bow to it or to its wile For thy works of old doth passeth a while And thou art been born to this fruit of vine.

In the Last Days God shall not destroy the wine In the days of desolation, He will spare the oil But Babylon shall fall with all who drank her refine Oh, to Jesus run, spare your skin from eternal boil.

341. Under Attack

When I was under the attack of my enemy You still held me up on your shoulders I never knew of my grievously vane infamy Until after bitter clouds shook my borders.

I was sinking pretty fast for my own doom Everywhere I looked, I saw only gloom Yet in your precious wings I found room And under in your generous cup, bloom

The rivers of piercing swords rushed through The fiery fires of raging emotions followed There was turbulence in my inner brow And a tempest of sort that my soul hobbled

All along I thought of your love and mercy I wondered around all things but fancy And looked for pleasures to satiate my But you have helped me since infancy

Those who desire to chew me alive Those who are intent at destroying me Have increased and no mercy they give But I will never be afraid, for you I see.

342. He Answers Prayers

There are two kinds of fools on earth And one of them is me when I doubt Because each time I pray to God He answers me as pure as gold

Today I lost a document and searched Yesterday I needed God's clear favor And when I stood before the judge He vindicated me without a grudge

It was a matter of peace and chaos So, I looked everywhere for wills And the night dawned on me sadly As I prayed, the will appeared gladly

When I was sick of a danger ill A prophesy came before to warn And when I asked my wife to pray I am saying, it was as good as spray

You may have many doubts before You may even think it is a myth Yet a simple trust in God is just all You will ever need to secure more

Take it from me, again, again, again It is a waste of time and great loss To avoid matters of prayer in vain When it comes to answers, God is boss.

343. Religion

I wonder if you go through this everyday Each time you are confronted with truth You ask even more questions to nay Is the entire search for a god or gods worth?

If you live in some jungle in the Amazon Or you only hear of other sources of truth Or if you gaze intently on the horizon Do you feel there is more to this earth?

The inhabitants of the famed civilized world And the reciters of the ancient riddles Have been searching for the true word And all they find are only muddles!

Can we still say that Man is a form of a god A mere coincidence of nature's spruced force Or which generation will declare it bold That only one belief is the true source?

To deny all facets of human permutation And to live as though there is no Being Are all attempts at finding truth's formation Even the ancient fumbled over this thing.

The Isms are an excuse for dominating Man And or the attempts at finding true peace When will all such works said to be done Can we still say religion is that or this?

The mystery of God is a matter of belief And those who organise it very well Will be held with unpretentious relief However, with others, we will never tell. For when the ends of Man's machinations Are stretched to their ephemeral austerity Whether by mere chance or sheer imaginations We still experience but semblance of verity!

So, the advancers masticate rituals as camels And their followers recite lines they hate All for the hope of entering divine channels To render the after-life to its delicate fate

The moment one question is answered The next question becomes an enigma And the deeds written in the holy Hansard May only be placated by a dear redeemer.

Some religions relish the Day of Judgment When all deeds good and bad will be judged Others pride in the earthly firmament That once dead, all things are smudged.

Therefore, we live, not for truth But for the reality which we know And therefore, we die, not for faith But for the truth we never saw

And the question still remains to ask Who is right and who is wrong This has become every man's task Whether we live short or long.

For I live, daily with questions unanswered And I die, daily with fears beyond the graves Who will save a poor soul as this of mine? Only when Jesus shares his side, I'll be fine.

344. Human Love

All the humans are capable of love All can help to make love reality All can make love and enjoy love All the humans are capable of love

All the sexes are capable of love All they need is to know love All they have to do is give love All they have can be real love

All love demands is understanding All there is to know is to understand All understanding is rooted in truth All there is to know love is truth

All feelings are secondary to sex All muscles and sinews relax in sex All the traps of life are defeated in sex All nerves receive new blood in sex

All humans can learn how to fulfil in sex All they need is to know human anatomy All they do is touch the right parts All they get is Nature's great sensation

All but those who understand can love with sex All but those who have patience make real sex All but those who care can love with sex All but those who have time can enjoy real sex

All except the lazy can hurt with love All except the quick can hate with sex All except loafers can love to hate sex All except loaners have used sex for love

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All humans are capable of making love All humans are capable of hurting with love All humans are capable having sex All humans are capable of hating with sex.

345. Favored

Not that I have great words or deeds done Or that my mind out-thinks all my peers; It is not due to the trophies I have won Or as a payment for all my great cheers

It is due to the mercies of the living God Which have sustained me all this long And accorded me favors as good as gold And relieves me from my grave wrong

The mercies of the good and great Lord Have taken me to heights I never dreamt And brought me to the fountain of old That wonderful grace much esteemed

You will hear of the great works of love All for the kind-hearted who have courage And of all the favor that comes from above To all faithful ones in divine marriage

For long I thought I was more than normal More than the children of earthly glory, Nay, I came to learn of life's lessons' formal That success is also God's gracious story.

346. The Church

Of adherents and followers, it has over 2.2 billion Of churches and cathedrals multiply by a million Of the population of the whole world, about a third Of all religions, the largest, strongest in the world. Of faith groups, it runs over thirty-five thousand Of Christians, world's 33 percent population and Of half of Christians, are Catholic denominations Of 100 years, its voice has filtered across nations.

347. Tithe

Our father Abraham thanked God with a tithe For he finally had victory and could breathe And these tithes of the land; fruit and seed, All belonged to the Lord, for all those in need

So, they paid all, never to be found in default Or they paid a fifth of their own fault For the herd of the flock belonged to the Lord Who wanted all to have the fear of God

The Levites were not to inherit anything except tithes;

They lived in homes but where not to own clothes For the Levites took a tithe from the Israelites, And made the Temple glorious with many lights

This tithe is just not a tenth of everything It was an inheritance to servants of the King To Aaron and his sons, let them eat and rejoice For they have found favor in God's voice

They will take the entire tithe into the Tabernacle With great jubilation and mighty spectacle Since God has commanded them to obey And not to debate his holy and sacred way

348. God's Glory

The *Doxa*, the glory, the nature and acts of God in all their self-manifestation;
And this is what God is and does, revealed in all of creation and exaltation,
And which has been exhibited in ways and means God desires to be known.
And particularly in the person of Christ Jesus, God's Son of glorious renown,
In whom essentially God's glory has been shone generations after generations.
And made available to men by means of grace and power to many nations.

To God our Father, Maker and Sustainer be all the glory, now and forever.

For in the days of his flesh, Jesus Christ manifested glory by deeds and miracles. And released many from bondage, captivity, sickness and deadly shackles -At Cana, where he turned water into pure wine to feed many a thirsty soul; At the tomb, where he raised Lazarus from the dead and there many eyes saw; At the Mount of His Glory, there he taught many of the things to come And at the Mountain of Transfiguration, eyes glittered and hearts were calm.

To God our Father, Maker and Sustainer be all the glory, now and forever.

His attributes and power have been revealed through the entire creation, The world falls short of His righteousness, character and manifested perfection. For the might of His glory, the praise of the glory of His everlasting grace Has been revealed to the ends of the earth, to many a nation and race; The Father of Glory is He, from whence and to whom all things emanate, The source of all good things spread wide for all and to all they illuminate.

To God our Father, Maker and Sustainer be all the glory, now and forever.

To date, and through the lives of those who believe in His word and name, And who wait with intent for that blessedness filled with glory and fame, the blessedness into which believers are to enter now and hereafter, As they are brought into the likeliness of Christ, and hence thereafter, to be with Him through the body of His glory, the brightness of His splendor, And enchant them forever as their God, their light and their defender.

To God our Father, Maker and Sustainer be all the glory, now and forever.

The Shekinah Glory, in the pillar of cloud of the Tabernacle's Holy of Holies, was only but an emblem of the glory of the Church of God's own families, and will be made manifest in the appearing of the only and our Great God, the Savior Jesus Christ, whose throne is surrounded by marble and gold, as one who won His Father's good reputation, praise and due honor.

Who deserves all our worship, and must to us all be our favor and banner.

To God our Father, Maker and Sustainer be all the glory, now and forever.

349. Incomparable Jesus

He is overall the flame that glitters without end His palm of comfort holds all he will defend To the weary I say, "Relax in his balm of peace" And have his mind of love replace all you miss.

The incomparable Jesus, the Man that I love Among all creatures He is God and above For before Him, there was nothing called life And of many husbands, He has the prefect "wife".

This Jesus whose name makes my head turns This Christ who saves my every returns This King from whose kingdom flows power This Healer who touches me in every hour!

For so I love Him, many times without measure By His throne are stored for me great treasure My dear love, my all for now and all eternity Surely, He's most excellent amid the fraternity.

350. In the Land of My Enemy

I give You thanks, Heavenly Father, The Father of Grace, God of Justice, For to You and for You, belongs praise You have shown throughout history That, the only one who remains, is You, Great and eloquent men have come, Bright, sophisticated women have gone, Yet, You alone, continue now and forever. You stand strong at the door of fairness, You speak loudly, for the plight of the weak And You open Your arms, to the hopeless. As for me, my trust is in You, alone My confidence comes from Your throne And in Your love, I take refuge and rest. Great things You have done, and will do, Not by me, Oh dear God, only for You, I have a portion in the land of my enemy, Your banner over me soars blessedly.

351. Falling though Not Down

Falling to my knees, I am where the heroes of faith passed

You have been kind to me now and in times in the past

I have been like a prisoner in my own thoughts, now am free

I knew in my heart I needed to pray first and only to Thee

Oh Western, the pain was reduced; I first sought the Lord

The Lord gives and the Lord also denies, yet He is God

I praise you Lord, my Father, for you know all things

I give all the glory to you, Almighty, who is King of kings

From now henceforth, all my future into your hands I give

From the hands of the Lord, good we may receive And even when nothing seems to be there, I still trust

Lord my God, you alone shall be God, the holy, the truest

Who am I that I should doubt your grace; it's sufficient

I *know* your favor has been upon me from times ancient.

352. Windsor

Windsor will take me, to the glory of God This I attest not that I see, yet I see For the goodness of his mercy hath shined He will see me through the down valley And will bring up to of the mountain Father, to you my soul looks for help For my Savior shall rise like a morning star And my joy, though delayed, will finally come.

353. Fail, Well

Lord, in times past I was a prisoner I was a slave to a mortal examiner To a congregation that judged my deeds To a human master I thought met my needs To men's opinion for their formality To people's standards of popularity Lord, I am sorry in men I put my trust I am glad you remember that I am dust Am not ashamed of the Gospel and its Cross, Christ's my faith, men I love, glory is Yours.

354. Eli, Eli lama Sabachthani

"Eli, Eli lama sabachthani?" "My God, my God, Why have you forsaken me?" How it could be, I asked, That God His Son He should forsake? That His only begotten Son's blood He should allow to be poured as a flood? These things I pondered to my anguish Until in prayer He granted my wish Then I came to learn that God His creature He had forsaken But the Father His Son's bones He would never have broken "Eli, Eli lama sabachthani?" I do cry out loud sometimes When overwhelmed, I drown in world's troubles And my agony pile up all in doubles And like God, the thorn in my flesh He would not remove But like a Father, His grace is all sufficient. "Eli, Eli lama sabachthani?" Now I know, and expect even more That He loved me, so His face from sin He turned, But my peace and eternal life He gained.

355. Ancient of Days

Oh, Ancient of Days, O Ancient of Days As my soul from within cheerfully prays Ancient of Days, that I Thy Creature Should for a heavenly aorta posture For a tiny bit of Thy glittery presence Even before comprehend I Thy essence Should tender my limbs gladly to kneel My vanity and disquiet happily to heal Ancient of Days, honor, mighty, power Bid me now to glow in this fine hour That Thou darling of my eternal pleasure Not even the world is enough a treasure Ancient of Days, Thy Law is utterly good To cease not from praising Thee I should.

356. 2018, a Prayer

I bowed my knees before the Father of my Lord Jesus Christ

Through whose name the entire family in Heaven is named

I came to Him not in my own righteousness, Which is but like filthy rags; but through Christ Jesus,

My Lord, in whose blood I have redemption The forgiveness of my sins, and whose name I am saved;

I declared 2018, a Year of Faith, because in this year, I believe

I believe that God You will reveal Yourself to me again

Even more than You have done to me in times past

That I may again see You, hear You and honor You.

That I may love You more than I have ever done before

I asked You to come closer to me and embrace me more;

I only required a simple faith – to believe like a child, not to doubt

To believe, and not to engage in philosophical debates

Father, I asked you to grant me abundant of love for you

And to pray to You, and You will answer me swiftly

I believe that I will see everything with the yeses of faith,

And seek You daily in the secret, in the chamber of my heart;

I asked for faith to raise my family – to love my wife more

To be with my children more, and to lead my family,

I asked for grace to be an active member of the community –

To find a church where I can be a servant and contribute

And to engage in ways I have missed in the past years

So that the glory of God and service of man is my aim;

I asked for faith, and I will have faith, to believe in impossible,

To trust God for high goals – high business profits, high returns,

That my entire venture in 2018 will succeed and bear fruit.

That I shall achieve, through faith, in all I do with grace

I prayed, Father, that I should not struggle but only believe.

I have faith that this will be done for me as I believe in God;

I prayed for all my enemies to become my friends, again

All those who have not spoken to me, my old buddies to return

That my clients will love me and trust me, and I will do same,

That I will be favored everywhere and given favorable results

That my cases will win and all my work will prosper

That my hands and works are blessed, will add no trouble;

In this year, I will achieve in excess of \$200,000 in business,

I will publish with bigger and well-recognized publishers,

I will have my name in the world recognized by good things,

I will go places and become a citizen with double benefits

I will enjoy everyday life and find satisfaction in my activities

Good doors will open, and bad ones will permanently close;

No weapons of the devil will prosper against me or mine

The Lord, You will be the mountain that surround me

And I will see the destruction of all evil plans against me

You will keep me safe and in assured protection each day

That my family will be healthy and outlive me in years

That I believe in You, and I will not be disappointed.

357. No Shame

Anyone who trusts in You shall not be put to shame

He or she who will believe in the unfailing truth of God

I have been contemplating lately, how amazing God's love

How much He has kept His side of the bargain The Lord will not abandon His project, not even once

He will bring to pass all that He has promised in His Word

For the Lord's Word is anchor and it is also a sword

I will look to Him, even when the skies be blurry I will trust on Him, even when the snow should scary

Because He who is in Heaven is mightier than I He is mightier than all the troubles of the world put together

I will also relish His chastisement, I will embrace His rebuke

For the piercing admonition of His kindness are healing

And the punishment He inflicts are a balm to a faithful soul.

Lord, I have prayed, I have interceded for my enemies

For they will rejoice when they hear of my dilemma,

Yet, I still pray for them – because they understand not

They do not know Your purposes and plans, which I learn

358. My All is Thee

I am well with the Lord's gracious providence I will not be ashamed in this chosen province Your Word has come to my beaming heart You have spoken, and You have set me apart I will forever be called, "Blessed in the land," My offspring shall increase within Your band In Your presence, I will find lasting pleasure At Your side daily, I will discover real treasure And those who fight against me, shall surely falter Those who remain stubborn, You will scatter For the kindness of the Lord has graced me His benefits in this world, I will, indeed, live to see Oh, joy of understanding that I have everything The peace of knowing I will be defeated by nothing

Even my accuser will bow before You in shame The one who stands with me will stand in fame For if it has not been for the goodness of You I would have no confidence, no rewards due, I know that Your mercies will carry me through Your grace lifts me, and makes me great, too.

359. Again, Again and Again

You have saved me from all my enemies And also protected me from all infamies Overwhelmed, surrounded by a critical bust The rumblings of accusations trike rather fast Yet, I will trust in You, my ready defender You'll also comfort me, Your hands are tender For Zand has brought a false allegation But You'll acquit me after the investigation You will also bring to nothing, Giffen's threats. You will, Oh merciful God, Again, again, and again deliver me, You'll bring to naught Hagos' complaints, and true praise belongs to Thee. Because of Your favor, You've silenced all fates Oh, bless the LORD, O my soul, do not fret In victory, give praise, His mercy don't forget.

360. His Mercies

Your mercies I trust, do not let my accuser prosper

He had raised an evil hand in falsified allegations Because he wanted to reap where he did not sow But You are the defender of my earthly interests, The Lord, mighty in words, able to silence the proud

In Your hands, I commit this lawyer, deal with him Not according to Your wrath, but in Your gentleness

Spare his life, correct his mindset that he retreats; Then he shall hear a voice in his conscious mind And it shall tell him to forget all his machinations. You will be praised, O Lord, when his threats die You will be worshipped for ever and ever and ever,

For You have rewarded me with mercy abundantly You have prevented it from insurer and regulator And You have, indeed, heaped great favor upon me;

O Lord, Your lovingkindness in floods I clearly see:

Thank you, O, thank you, my dearest Father, Words can't express this eternal love for each other.

361. A Wonderful God

I have contemplated on many things, on all fronts I hide in my imagination; I dwell on all You made I have pondered on Your essence, power and all It is an assignment that I have carried in my heart Whether I am traveling by bus, car or I am flying I still observe how You have laid all things bare I look at the invisible elements, such as the air I see the visible, from soil to oil, flowers to towers And I am terrified by the truth that I now conceive,

By the power of Your creativity that I perceive;

The skies do tell their perfect story of Your wonder

The things that live around the universe and under It is clear that You have made elements just fare You allowed the humans to survive on clean air And to live just where they are, for it is just enough

Their they can procreate, sometimes cry or laugh In this world below the ravaging skies all is right Even the Sun and Moon bring just sufficient light To cause every activity under the sun to prosper And nothing is excessive, scarce or improper;

I am amazed at how tiny from Your view we are We appear larger than a closest distance star We look far bigger than the largest crawling ants We sound much noisier than the singing chants.

362. Sweet Story

You have answered my prayers, each and every one

You have made me triumph, and enabled all I have won

Many, Lord, have been my opposition, my obstacles

But at Your feet, Lord, and in Your worthy Tabernacles,

There, I find mercy, and grace to lead me on to victory

Oh, what You have done, I will recite in a sweet story

I will tell my friends and those who care how You care

I will brag about Your perfect golly, which is truly fair

How awesome also are Your attentions towards me

Your daily remembrances that I can daily hear and see

Oh, Lord, in my whispers, You are still standing there

When I silently mutter, my requests You keenly share,

I will stop not to thank You, to bless Your holy name

For You are my true life, apart from You, I am shame.

363. Wow Pleasure

Oh Lord, real shepherd of my soul To Thee and for Thee, I bring all For it has been Thy good pleasure Why Jesus Thy rarest treasure, Thou sent Him, for my sins to die O, watchful shepherd, Thou doesn't lie Thy good kindness, Thy kind goodness, In these I find more, and not less. Thou said, "Worry not, little flock," And then I looked, I was in shock. Yes, it pleased Thee, my Holy God, It was Thy honor, O dear Lord, To give us Thy sacred Kingdom; Praise be to Thy greater wisdom.

364. Lindsay

Oh Lord, my God, keep safe from Lindsay
For the enemy masquerades as this woman
And in my soul, I have seen her evil intentions
She opposes me in word and in due actions
She investigates my weaknesses and pounces
But You have been my rock, source of my defence
And each time she has manifested, in colleges
You have stopped all her machinations outrightly
You have put her in her own place, for Your glory
Oh Lord, Your everlasting mercies I daily see
For You will not let her canings to maturity be.

365. Injustice into Victory

I didn't sleep well, Lord, I agonized all night Why have You allowed the wife of my youth, Why did you permit The termination of her job? She is the epitome of hard work, diligently daily She has changed her department, cleanly surely And yet, the wicked have celebrated her downfall, You have seen their machinations, their own doom. For me, O Lord, only words I offer for my dear wife, I ask You to intervene, and prove them all wrong I urge You to come to our rescue, lift her soul, O, dear Lord, let what the devil means for evil be turned into our song of victory, our purpose. And we shall give You continued praise, O Father We shall still glory in Your grace and power. Because, O Lord, You will come for us speedily.

How deep Your thoughts and plans, Oh, God Almighty; Who would have known Your strategy? Who would have deciphered Your tactic? Only now we see, that You had all along better loots, for You have satisfied her with exceptional skills More than a previous pay could reward And more than many hours could award.

366. Wisdom of Christ

O, the infinite wisdom of Christ Jesus,
The Leader
His supreme prudence in world harvest
His beauty, unmatched – Lily of the Valley, Rose
of Sharon
His tremendous creativity in creation, yet Man of
Sorrows
O, Merciful High Priest, Messiah who is Prince
A Nazarene, yet King of all kings
He has overcome, O Lord God Omnipotent

And His name is above all names.

367. It's Finished

"It is finished!" Jesus cried on the Cross For the Lord was on a redemption course "It is finished!" Jesus completed it all And paid all our debts in full and more "It is finished!" was Jesus' victory cry And it echoed through Hell and up High "It is finished!" Jesus gave up his breath And gave us life by grace through faith "It is finished!" and all sin vanished And in His blood we are all washed.

368. A Christian Life

My God, do live a Christian life for me For in myself, I try and fail daily My flesh works but to please itself only So, the things I want to do I don't do Dead desires in my body form a queue My faculties compete for the gaudy If I should say that I don't sin, I lie And the truth of God is far from being nigh Only in Christ can I live in purity Dear Spirit, be my steadfast surety.

369. Holier, Lowlier

Oh, that I may be but emptier, lowlier,
And be to my God a vessel holier,
Oh, that I may be to all sin, slower
And to kneel down before His throne, lower,
Oh, that I may to righteousness be, a slave
And to dying to sinful flesh, fast and brave
Oh, that I may pray, daily, and longer
And to grow in my faith a lot stronger
Oh, that I may be unnoticed, unknown,
And be filled but with Christ, and Christ alone.

370. Insult to Mercy

To forgive a perpetual law-breaker
To ignore the persistent faults, too
Is it to insult God, Creator, Maker?
Oh, far be it from me that I be a fool,
Or worse, a pig that it's vomits feed
By not to Your word wisely pay heed,
For You, my sins forgive, time and time
For my salvation, You charged no dime,
My redemption, Your Son's blood poured
Oh, Greater Savior, aren't You also Lord?
For my needs, Your goodness You give
Without hesitation, in me, You to live.

371. Heart of Prayer

I humbly bow my knees to you my Lord The Creator of all things, Father and God King of all nations and Chief among tribes And before Jesus Christ, Scribe of the scribes Our Lord God and Master, Supreme Deity To you I bring my requests of piety To the Merciful Seat of grand glory, That you should hear me, O Supreme Jury And be presented with sacred homage, For yours are the wisdom and all knowledge.

372. Burden of Nations

Now Lord, my eyes are fixed to Heaven
And ask that all nations I be given
Not for me to possess, for Christ to save
And the world sin and misery to waive
I bow to pray for this our world in need
For all the people, Your voice they should heed
Lord, in this day and hour of petition,
I beseech You, save us from perdition
For what nations have in their behavior
Are lost souls in dire need of a Savior.

373. Cantata to Sounds

There is music inside my singing soul, I feel strong I'm almost reaching my goal; The firmament above shall be my roof, And the ground below my theatrical spoof; Angels gladly welcome me each morning, I grunt not like one who is in mourning; My hands will hold riches unthinkable, My ways meet favors unbelievable; Oh, I am bursting with exceeding joy, I am enamored with strength like a boy; Inside me, there is a stream of waters, I'm rewarded with smart, gallant daughters; Oh, Lord, what did I do to deserve these? Your golly daily this eye of mine sees.

374. Mulungu, God of Africa

Ι

Oh, give thanks, give thanks to God Omniscient, The One who is all things, and most sufficient. In Africa long ago, they knew You as the Omega, Indeed, in vernacular, this rhymed with mega.

П

Although they had no history of Christianity, They were not at all devoid of sensible humanity. They observed Nature, in it they discovered You; In their customs, it was clearly You they knew.

Ш

They could be enchanted by how You made them, They had no doubt it was from You they did stem. They could be amazed at the meandering of rivers, But they believed that it was only You who delivers.

IV

They were astounded at the heights of mounds, But they heard Your voice in surging sounds. In all these, they never stopped to be thankful; They knew You're immeasurable, You're tankful.

V

They played drums, flutes and pipes for their God, They didn't tire to follow, the Protector of Old. They were flabbergasted by unusual life events; With libations, they flooded You with presents.

VI

They know You in their mother tongue as Lesa – And in many dialects, Oh, God, You are Leza. You're Africa's, You bless her soil, Oh, Nzambi; You have achieved ascendancy, Oh, Kyumbi.

VII

You're Bore-Bore, kids sing of You, O Mongu. You're famously known as Yala, Asis, and Mungu. In dry season, You supply food, O Kalungu The skies are full of Your splendor, O Mulungu.

VIII

You're big, the biggest, You're called Mukuru. You busk in Your eternal glory, Unkulunkulu. You bring the rains and winds, O Ukulunkulu. You'll rise for Your people, Chindi-Chaimana.

IX

You laid the foundation of the world, Kiibumba, And beautifully designed its borders, Kabumba. You unleash Leviathan and slay the Black Mamba, For You're known as the Dragon Slayer, Pamba.

Χ

Oh, Most Venerate, You're honored as Yatta. You're the Great Father, in Bemba, You are Tata, And by all, worshipped as Zanahary and as Chiuta; You are Almighty, You roar, Oh, Lion of Judah.

XI

You reign in an unapproachable glory, Nyame, You have revealed Yourself as Leader, Nyambe; You display Yourself as Olodumare and Ondo, For You are the Self-Existing One, Oh, Olo.

XII

Oh Lord God, You rule over kings, O Inkosi, For as King of kings, You're Inkosi-yama-Nkosi. You fight battles, and the bounty is theirs, O Tilo You're worthy to be followed, Oh, Adunbalo.

XIII

And who is like unto You, Oh, Lord Mwari? Surely their ancestors loved You, as they do, Ori; From eternity, You've been merciful, Great Wari, For Yours is the power, the praise and the glory.

XIV

You are decorated, Mighty Warrior, Oh, Rugaga, You are the lifter of Your people, Oh, Olugbega. You return triumphantly, O Lord, Great Hero, And those who hate You, will inherit but zero.

XV

Almighty God, You give all things, Oh, Ruhanga You drew them in Your palms, Creative Chilenga For You know the end from the start, Kalunga, Your love, has not deserted Your lovely Africa.

XVI

You're victorious, glorious, Almighty Modimo, You're meritorious in deeds, increasing ever more. All nations of the earth look to You, Oh, Urezwha And Your goodness is shared by all, Osanobua.

XVII

You are, and can be, many things – You're Oluwa You do and undo anything, Almighty God Ruwa; You justify the innocent and the humble, O Suku; You forgive sins and show endless grace, Chuku.

XVIII

Khuzwane, to describe You, there're no words, Imana, because You are affected by no swords; You are the true God and Lord, the Invisible One, You're the way, truth, life and victory You've won.

XIX

A diversity of people knew You simply as BIG, For in You all promises, pledges will never renege, Oh, blessed be Africa, Your land of amazing hope, Of her, You've spoken in prose, verse and trope.

XX

You've graced Yours with stamina, Great Njinyi, In their dire need, You've'nt forgotten them, Ngai. You're their King, Sovereign, their Great Oba; In Africa, You're like a Mother, *the* loving Baba.

375. Bisrat and Ojo

I'll look to You, from where my helps come I will pray to You, for You will my life calm In Your heart, are mercies and compassion And in Your mind, it is to bring to action. You will embrace, and not leave him to solo For Your miracles will be strong with Ojo. You will conceal Your sons' label so that It may go well with new counsel with Bisrat. In this, too, Oh, my Father, You show grace, By Your kind deeds, You dispel all disgrace.

376. Peter Stehouwer

You will show me favor, Oh, Lord
In the eyes of the man Peter Stehouwer.
You will give him no peace, no sleep
Until he finds me not in breach of rules.
That You, Oh, Lord of love and mercy,
Shall make the Hagos complaint end,
And from the ashes of this investigation,
You will lift me up in grand promotion.
That from hence and forth, glory is Yours
And Yours also are the praises and honor.
For You have vindicated me, this thrice
And given me divine peace, this twice.

377. It's Wichtig

Wake up bones, tendons, muscles and sinews
Stand up marrows and you all tender tissues;
Come out from slumber, Oh, you blood vessels
And jump up and down all you internal entrails.
Tell the central nervous system to stretch up,
Turn on the sensory nerves, let them all dup.
It is time to dance, to shake those many gifts,
Oh, let God enjoy as your central limb shifts.
Do fear no-one, and before none be ashamed,
Let those moves flow, your pride be chained.
It is good to praise Him, to brag, and to shindig,
Oh, my soul, flesh and mind, do it, it's wichtig!

378. Praise in Every Genre

Singers, use your voice to praise Him Dancers, make every move to praise Him Poets, compose beauty in praise of Him Musicians, string numbers in praise of Him Writers, pen perfect prose to praise of Him Choreographers, move bodies to praise Him Ballerinas, step-up, gesture in praise of Him Drummers, beat the skin to the praise of Him Gamers, rave up those videos in praise of Him And players, kill up the talent to praise Him!

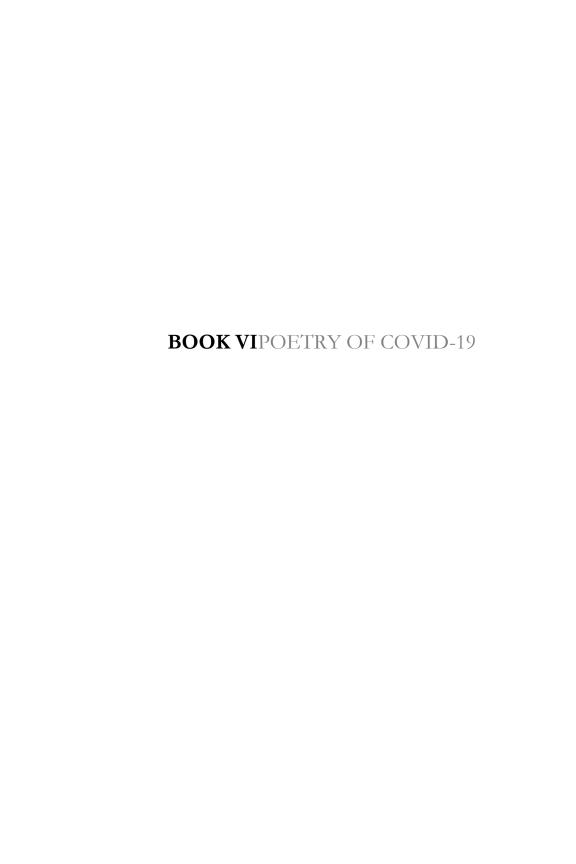
379. Earth You've Colored

Each day you light up, is a treasure discovered; And each night you dim, is a chance to sprawl. Each flower that blooms, the earth You've colored;

And each ray that rises, Your love for me I recall. Even when the wind blows, I know You're here; And in the tiniest atom, there I find Your grace. Your voice is heard clearly in the morning air; And You reign as LORD in the furthest space. My mind fails to fathom how You came to be; And yet I am happy, Your infinite glory I see.

380. Dear My Rarest

I am in love with You, Oh, Jesus
Even as I loved You, as a fetus.
I loved You while in my mother's womb,
Surely, I will still love You in my tomb.
I'll forever love You, before my eyes close,
Before my finite farewell, before I bid adios.
You are always in my head, Sweet Savior
Yes, in my manners, thoughts and havior.
Of all I love, O Christ, You're the rarest
Since I found You, You're my dearest.



381. Down Corona Lane

Down the Lane named Corona, lives a virus It has been gloomily, untimely brought upon us Down the Lane of Corona, sounds are muted All routine adventures have been civilly re-routed There is rarely a person walking, Neither is there a muse talking All is quiet, deathly silent, as if life had ended The way of normalcy, prematurely suspended Fear proudly prowls an empty street in disguise And staying at home is seen as damagely wise Heaven and hell receive more souls Forever shunting them in eternal thralls Under the shadow of Corona families thrive There is more cash on which to sparkly survive Mobility is a race from room to room, out is rare, But herein, the art of complete manuscript is there. Down Corona Lane, same is gone Down Corona Lame, game is done.

382. Los Angeles

Thou art magnificent, O thou city with Angeles Thou hath no equivalent, serve Domini Angelus Thy mountainous Bel Air, thy flattened Beverley Hills

Indeed, thy hilly Hollywood, thy unseen Hidden Hills,

These brilliances in their eternally glorious Calabasas

Wouldst Orange County volitionally be "Birth of Jesus"?

Down thy lively lit boulevards mine sweetie droveth

Up at thy vetted Disneyworld, mine little angels roveth

In thy lux hotels, dreams of effulgence hugeth mine soul

In thy fabulous indulgence, mine senses fluently roll

Oh City, a place whereth I would again rather be, After Covid-19, O City, me orisoneth rebound thee.

383. I Can't Breathe

"I can't breathe," three words, three last words Words that have ruined lives, damaged worlds Oh, Minneapolis, don't you hear him, dying? His chocked head, cop's knee on his neck, frying? The indictment, because George Floyd is black? He didn't walk free, he woke up, all was dark Oh, cry you all who hate, hate and love, love Even Eric Garner, his eleven calls, quake above There is a war raging, xenophobia is the bate Should looking different be judgmental fate? Don't tell me White people are racists, nope I know many noble Whites, many preach hope Oh hatred, O Covid-19, you're ruthless killers You're cowards, you feast on and butcher pillars, You, ruthless homophobes, you, brutal tribalists, You're heartless, you're fake, damned nihilists You target the weak, helpless, you cause misery Your hearts are deadly, your anger is blistery, Oh, deny, deny them power and authority, For they abuse it, wrathing it on the minority.

384. America

America, America, Oh, America, the great Founded on stolen estate and historical hate Oh, land, developed by injustice of slave labor And invigorated by angst one against neighbor Your soldiers to foreign countries do harm Saddam and Ghaddafi, you murdered by firearm But George Floyd, you slaughtered, wrong Your streets do riot, violence you now prolong For your president, Trump, knows no clue His style of leadership, tenders a racist skew Oh America, your wealth, rests on Black sweat Surely, you've weaponized race, with no stet. Your bigoted police him killed in broad day-light Your towns lit with gory, nights fill with blight.

385. Pandemic of Racism, I

Declare it all, say it all, write it all, record it all. My people, African people, all over the world, have been victims of a pandemic called racism The characteristics of which are obvious, namely: Character is secondary, the hate monster reigns; Intellect is third, the evil of hatred drives agendas; Love of danger is fourth, all Blacks are suspects; And cruelty is last, Africans must be punished. From the shores of Benguanaland, cries rise, A mother has just lost a son, taken by slavers. A wife is now windowed, though husband's alive. And children will grow up without two parents. In haciendas of America, backs reel with pain, Masters spoil Black thighs, with no alimony given. Men and boys toil endless fields, with no pay.

386. Pandemic of Racism, II

New immigrants drive dyeing industrial cranes. "I can't breathe, my face is gone, please" falls in death eyes, this Black man must die. Oh, Mother, Oh, my late father, did you know, that chickens are killed with ample dignity, that animals have rights activities for them to advocate? And Derek Chauvin is charged with third degree. And is immediately free on a million dollars bond. I ask: Where did he get such with a police officer's salary? Oh, how unheard of, for such brutal killing? An African would have been lamped with first, He would have been assigned death penalty. And he would have been gazetted a "demon."

387. Pandemic of Racism, III

Africa, Africans, Africans descent nationals, why have you paid so much, just for being black? For over four hundred years, you've agonized. For many centuries, you've been abused. You've overtly been disregarded as humans; Not so long ago, you were things, property even. Not so many years long, you were flogged. And not so long ago, your continent was stolen, your young healthy ones captured, taken away. Your old folks, beaten, stricken, slain murdered butchered. And your hallowed African cultures, forsaken. Oh, haters of Blacks, stop, cease, end terminate; vou aren't feared

you aren't not jeered. Now, guard hard, guard now, for the ravages of Covid-19 have pointed their lethal noses there they come, they pay no homage respect no age and only take undue advantage. Brace, O you opiodated governments and you, who specialize in mismanagements, and you, whose experience is parley arguments take steps before the missive come tell your people, let them be calm don't spare any intellect wise leaders them elect but forget not the ruins of colonialism and frown upon the dictates of Nazism if not, Covid could be more deadly even than slavery and dictatorship lethargy, do not worship bravery not drudgery but courage to encourage the next generation not to neglect this nation. You heard of vaccine producers and of the booster users and Africa isn't consulted and Africa is again insulted before it inoculates its inhabitants global distribution has been scandalous, violate annihilate and isolate the pandemic racism.

388. They Count

They called you floor sweeper, a toilet cleaner They did not invite you to make TV talk When they gathered and made future plans You were deliberately forgotten, useless They make you hate your profession, shameful At college and university, you were dung, least You were paid less, working conditions, worse You feared to introduce yourself, you're embarrassed You became a nurse, because you couldn't be a doctor You cleaned people's shit, and they despised you. oh, janitor, oh, grocery seller, oh, fuel pumper. No-one loved you, everybody hated you, for null They said, "You're not an engineer, you're a technician." They compared you to a lost cause. But hypocrites them they celebrated, ululated. They called them stars,

paid them billions. But you are only living pay-to-pay, near poverty. Where are movie stars, soccer players, NBA, NHL? Where are "Big Bosses," "Big Bishops" or MLB? Where are bright lawyers, smart judges, or the showstoppers? Where are professors, airline pilots or money-managers? With their big bucks, they have disappeared, gone. Oh, see, a farmer, made me see another day, today. Underpaid mail-delivery guy, still brought my letter. Garbage-collector, still took away my stinking rubbish., And the cable-guy, TV-announcer, Internet technician, still made me watch the world dying, searching for a cure. I would go on and on,

I shouldn't, know for sure that the least among us, are, in fact, the more useful. And they count, in life or death, they remain faithful.

389. Courage to Say "No"

The lack of courage to say "No" It is such rare in our times It is responsible for many deaths It has led to many aborted dreams!

The lack of courage to say "No"
Has sold many ideas to the gallows
Has welcomed many to their early graves
Has forced many to give up their visions!

The courage to say "No"
Is responsible for great inventions
Is the DNA that champions are made of
Is the blood that runs in the veins of martyrs!

The courage to say "No"

Makes smart women run away from abusers

Makes wise men avoid endangering families

Makes many survive Covid-19 and other diseases!

Many people are in trouble because they said, "Yes!"

Many souls are dying because they refused to say, "No!"

Weak minds easily say "Yes,"
But strong hearts have learned to also say, "No!"

Stop saying "Yes" to everything Only say, "Yes", if it is beneficial to you Do say "No" to nothing, If it enslaves you to another anew.

390. It'd Be Well, I

The world may look, sound and feel sad. It seems there is everywhere bad news. But remember that He who has begun a good work in you, Shall not be derailed by the pandemic. Don't live like those who don't have hope. Remember: "The LORD is close To the broken-hearted And saves those who are crushed in spirit" Trust also in the Lord, and He shall provide your food: "The LORD does not let the righteous go hungry..." During this trying time, God will not forsake you: "I was young and now I am old, Yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken Or their children begging bread." You may be alone at home, But you're not lonely, Because Jesus is there with you: "I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

391. It'd Be Well, II

Even if you may develop Covid-19 symptoms, Don't be afraid, for "God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble."

A very present help in trouble."
And when you're overwhelmed by this pandemic And don't know what to do,
Pray, call to your loving God:
"In my distress I called upon the Lord,
And cried out to my God;
He heard my voice from His temple,
And my cry came before Him, even to His ears."
And last, God is reminding you, that,
"Tell the righteous it will be well with them..."
And so, shall it be!

392. Canceled

Everything that is not essential is canceled. This includes education attended in person. Canceled also is prestigious professional games. Planes which ace the skies, travel, is canceled.

Nothing that is of essence should be cancelled. The police. Nurses. Doctors. All healthcare staffs. Those whose it is their business to save lives – Grocery stores, gas stations are not canceled.

After days, hair is over-grown, sagging the head. The crass, the messy, and an undergrowth beard. Ladies nails cry for a last paint, or they are dead. Many saloons and barbershops beg to be heard.

Look, the monetary indexes are terribly down. Dow Industrial breaks many hearts of the rich. Empty, is every financial bastion downtown. Many can't flaunt, can't frolic on the beach.

What's not canceled is home, family, and love. Even religious, spiritual centers, are cancelled. Luxuries. Business. Courts. Taverns. Suspended. If contact is not cancelled, life could be ended.

393. Politicians as Leaders

Why do we still make politicians leaders? They have no clues to complex problems They don't answer questions, they dodge When they are called to provide statements, Nay, they spill eulogies and anecdotes They're shameless, they meander throughout For a simple "No" or "Yes", they spin into mazes As far as they are concerned, They cause nothing, They're responsible for nothing, They didn't do anything And as for the difficulties at hand, They only inherited everything. People everywhere are dying, Politicians are living, Everyone is poor and in need, Politicians are full and flowing They lead from behind, they sleep in Parliament They run departments they can't define They read speeches they did not write And they are hired without any qualification. They have one certification, They are not afraid, to lie -Only the truth, shall bid Covid bye!

394. Easter Poem

I

The Covid-19 pandemic is all about a disease, a virus

And this just reminds us of the story of our Lord Jesus

His birth, the first wonder of the world, a virgin conception

Herod, trying to kill the Baby, his plan hinged a deception.

TT

He grew up normal, like any other child, physically strong

But unlike any other human being, He did nothing wrong

At the age of twelve, He confounded the teachers of law

They tried to dissuade young Jesus, but found no flaw.

III

As He grew up, everything about Him coiled in contrasts

Though He was God, He was also human's special class

And the greatest of these, was the exchanges He made

Though divine, He became mortal, what a price He paid.

IV

Through miracles, He changed the order of entire nature

By parables, He spoke to the intricacy of man, His creature

But through a painful death, He opened a new vista of life

And betrothed Himself to His Church, His body and wife.

V

It is Easter, I want to tell a remorseful, but blissful story

How humility and wounds paved a daggered way to glory

In Israel, the highest of criminality was meted at a cross

It was basest condemnation, lower than ordure, a curse.

VI

The cross, was the sign that you were not at all wanted

You were heavenly waste, and earthly dung, haunted

Hanging there, your crimes, in pain, you bore as trash

In death, devalued, you became lower than rubbish.

VII

How can it be that God, the Father, should subject His Son,

The sinless One, paraded naked, on a tree, in bright sun?

How could a real criminal, a sinner, me and you, go free,

But His beloved didn't allow Him from this cruelty to flee?

VIII

Oh love, kindness, mercy, justice He made Him to meet

Nailing Him on a tree, sparing not His palms nor His feet

Ignoring His voice, He did not hear His solitary prayer

Only anguish, merciless anguish, His dignity left bare.

IΧ

Then to our benefit, God His righteousness to us credited

His position in the sight of men, to His shame debited

He took all our sins, past, present and future in His body

His flesh became a large sore, His Word was our antibody.

Χ

In His wounds, injuries, lesions, cuts, blisters, His life gashed

By the stripes, strips, streaks, lines, all sickness got punished

The scourging plague and infirmity exchanged for wholeness

The torment, terror and setback imputed to us as a bonus.

ΧI

Then the final blow – death – inflicted on Him *enroute* to Hell

With His own blood, the price, He freed captives from the cell

Proclaimed, "Man is whole, cured, healthy, restored, saved,"

God, to earth and Hades His Son sent, for man He loved.

XII

Oh Covid, you have no power, the worm's itch is quashed

For He is risen from the abyss, His blood their sins washed

Oh death, oh grave, Satan, by His life your sting is crushed

Those in Him believe, forever their pain, gloom is hushed.

395. Covid War

The nations are at war, not against each other This is not a battle between brother and brother There are no flash philosophies, no ideologies There are no apologies, and no mythologies The cure is not medical, no antibiotics, either There is only a social remedy, weapons, neither The Generals, presidents need no legal authority The enemy is biological combat, in its full purity Over forty million people died in First World War Second World War, had seventy-five million tore In First, the trigger was a political assassination In Second, League's failure, economic frustration Then, only massacres, mass-bombings, genocide, Now, only disease, starvation, and broken pride In this war, there're no military ranks, no uniforms In this war, civilians do chase and weather storms This isn't a typical war; it has no engagement rules It respects neither the fighting wise nor fools Only distances – social, moral, and even spirituals No need for armaments, armored cars or warrigals The enemy is invisible – hangs on and to everything

So long as it is visible, to it, this foe will cling Fear – is its foremost malice, with it, it braces Tear – has broken rank and cursēd men's faces Death is common, it is no longer breaking news Faith is eroding, people's hope now lies in booze Money – is no longer a god; oil has been debased Honey is no longer sweet, isolation is the new taste But one flaw this adversary has, it can't rout unity If nations, governments bond, bug has no munity!

396. The World in Mourning, First Wave

The sooner the sun rises and sets, someone has died. Like vapor they go, with or without having goodbyed. There's no funeral home, no morgue to contain them There's yelling for grandpa, for little Moses, it's a shame There's no crowd to escort the coronaviroid departed Only statistics, more news, more bad news, for the parted In USA, they mourned six thousand people today In Italy, thirteen thousand people who passed away Spain lost ten thousand loved ones, and more counting While Germany had one thousand plus, discounting, In China. three thousand and more left the earth In France, over five thousand couldn't keep life's faith, They lie without breath about three thousand in Iran UK's over-two-thousand bodies are over and done And Belgian and Netherlands, lost over two thousand Canada, Indonesia, they put over three-seventy in sand Close to twenty have died in Africa, I fear more is to come Oh, Mother, don't keep silent, let no-one say, "Be calm!"
For the world is in mourning, and none is there to soothe.
Oh, no, this pain is gross, it's worse than extracted tooth.

397. Second Wave, I

It is here, it has been here, it's not going
The Corona Virus, numbers are growing.
By end May, nations had gone in lockdowns
Shutting counties, many small and large towns.
Some countries guarded well, including China
Whiles others the damage wasn't all too minor.
Many people, the aging, have succumbed
Though some, having to live with it, have numbed.
The tow on human mind is in millions,
But the blow on economies, in billions.

398. Second Wave, II

To USA, India, Russia, and Brazil, It has bequeathed an awful lethal kill. The nations with female leaders did well, But those with radical dolts didn't excel. Africa, except to the South, was spared Mostly due to strict warnings quickly aired. Adults and young did not go visiting, The worker did not do soliciting. There were restrictions in many a place And it didn't matter people's class or race.

399. Second Wave, III

Then did begin Trump to thump the trumpet When he saw his votes begin to plummet. He and like others forced the re-opening Before long, the virus had broken in. The second wave was finally around, This period, to run everything aground. The fear of second closure ran amok And mask mandates began to be in tuck. The GOP is breaking social distance rules As millions get ill at rallies and schools.

400. Second Wave, IV

This wave two is dangerously stronger
Many European states get it wronger,
The end seems far away in a distance
With no vaccine, there's threat to existence.
This menace loves and behaves like a flu
So, in Winter and Fall it will accrue.
The goal should be to stop the pandemic,
To reduce its spread, making it less endemic.
To that end, wash hands clean, and stay away;
Do listen to science, wear masks, start today.

401. Dr. Fauci

You may call him anything, US physician He is nimble, pure, and a true guardian He will not bulge to theories of ricardian Nor move an inch to give up his position.

The barrage of political pressure Underneath the Trump administration; He's relentless to save the population From Coronavirus, that wicked thresher.

For very well he knows, life continues Even when Trump is clearly defeated So, he stays, till his mission's completed His foe won't tire him even with bad news.

Oh, Covid, brag not you slew America But for the foolishness of its leader And the greed of the misinformed reader; They endorse the ideals of Amerika.

Oh, let Fauci lead the way, all the way Till the shot that'll kill Coronavirus fires And many a crooked politician retires, Till life yields to normal, and all is okay.

402. They Gather

They gather, in masses, in rallies
As many a death and fatality tallies
They wear no masks, the majority
And those protected, are a minority.
They chant, "Maga," as coffins pie
And repeat slogans, as elderlies die.
Oh, this ruthless public murder,
In their president, they've no girder.
Oh, this total reckless disregard,
The Great Nation, has no guard.
They hug and part, like normal times
No distancing, youth die en primes.

403. Western Virus

The thoroughfare that treks to Covidland Is plagued by a long, meandering garland. And silhouettes of broken effigies Do hang in gory on smitten elegies. It is the Western Virus, Gravorous, A descendant of the arbovirus. Anathemia laments deliriously, As bell tolls *Invocacio*, serially. The venom of AIDS conquered, barely, And mighty Influenza A, lived, rarely. The deep hand of disease rigged Africa, But Covid found a home in America. The rich, brave have him, so do the stars, He shuts life, is limitless, worse than SARS.

404. To Lock or Not to Lock

A raid of deadly bugs, the world in shambles To lock or not to lock, the earth gambles; Nanas are dying and so are young ones, Every day, daughters are infected, so are sons; But selfish politicians refuse to accept fate Their own interests they parade but not of state; Morgues are inundated, hospitals are overflowing, And there is no space to lay bodies, overthrowing; Oh, America, Europe, Africa, and even Asia, There is much grief inside Eurasia. No time in history saw an ingesting of bad news, Everywhere people wake up but with blues; The enemy, so small, and yet so powerful, It's sting, so invisible, and yet so hurtful. Armies of men, fight, mask, by all means possible; Do stay, find vaccine, make it not transposable.

405. Lamebration

This global winter of discontent's ended,
Oh, may the world celebrate and lament
This lamebration should to our victory sage
For it is not the might, but the proud fall;
The wise in their own understanding,
Who, thicken to moral reason by wealth,
Had forgotten their own nation's health
And corrupted religion with hefty orations.
The Trump has miambly fallen to delirium
Whence Omaha, hundreds left in frozen cold,
Oh, lamebration, then came the vote day,
And they watch a democratic dictator drop.
Oh, Covid, president's pride you do chop!

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