

I SEE A NEW AFRICA

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I see a new Africa. Do you see it?

I see a new Africa where light is dispelling darkness.
The light of God is shining in every corner of the continent.
It is shining on people of all races, languages, genders and ages.

I see a new Africa where the ignorance of the people is
being replaced with enlightenment. Yes, enlightenment with truth.

I see a new Africa where the truth is setting people free.
The chains of deception and superstition are being broken.
The land is filled with people who are pursuing knowledge.
People who are eagerly seeking all the truth about all of God's creation.

Yes, I see a new Africa. Do you see it?

I see a new Africa where justice is flowing like the river Nile.
Women are free to pursue their dreams.
They no longer have to compromise their dignity in order to
have access to opportunities; opportunities that are freely
available to their male counterparts.

I see a new Africa where the eyes of children are filled with
hope for a better tomorrow.
The wailings of mothers in the villages and towns over children
who have died from malaria, malnourishment and other
curable diseases have reduced greatly.
The street children who had been enslaved to drugs and
abandoned to hopelessness have filled the classrooms.
They are pursuing education with enviable career
and service ambitions.

I see a new Africa where the orphanages that house children
who are victims of HIV/AIDS, war and other crises
have become leadership training institutes.
They are raising new leaders who are ready to take on the challenges
and opportunities facing Africa.

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I see a new Africa where leaders are servants of the people.
Fear is no longer the weapon to keep people in subjection.
Workers are duly rewarded for their labor;
A free people are uniting in action around a common vision
of a free and prosperous Africa.

Yes, I see a new Africa. Do you see it?

I see a new Africa where the produce of the land is feeding the people.
The cotton from the fields is clothing her people.
I see a new Africa where her gold is her currency.
Her diamonds are her wealth.
The oil from the ground has become fuel for good health,
good education, prosperity and peace.

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I see a new Africa, where her children are no
longer slaves in foreign lands or
standing in long queues seeking greener pastures elsewhere.
I see a new Africa, where the youth love their land and
joyfully labor to make it the envy of other nations.

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I see a new Africa where the brown Sahara is turning green.
The dusty earth is giving place to giant trees.
The dry land is becoming a garden of life and healing.
I see a green Sahara.

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Where the gods made with human hands are being thrown
into the abyss.
The people are committing themselves to the true God.
Uncreated yet Creator of all things. Invisible yet knowable.
All powerful yet friend of the weak.
Source of all life, all truth, all knowledge and wisdom.

God has put the demons of superstition, deception
and oppression to flight.
Their heyday in Africa is over.
The Africans are singing new songs of freedom.

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I see a new Africa that is no longer the mockery of nations.
It is no longer a huge land filled with minerals, long rivers
and tall trees,
but inhabited by a people poor and desperate.

I see a new Africa where her people take their seat
at the global round table,
adorned with splendor, respect and royalty.

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I see a new Africa where the uncreated Creator has become their God;
and they have become God's people.
I see a new Africa where God has become their sun,
bringing light to where there is darkness;
life to where there is death;
energy to where there is weakness.

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Where the young are dreaming with God,
filled with hope and poised for action.
I see a new Africa where the youth are racing with horses on foot,
taking risks and leading change;
liberating the oppressed and bringing freedom to the captive.

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I see a new **African**. Do you see her? Do you see him?
I see the United States of Africa.
Many nations, one Africa,
united in social, spiritual, economic and political action.

Join us in the victorious march towards this new era.
Africans arise! Arise in the motherland,
Arise in the Americas, Arise in the Caribbean,
Arise in Europe, Arise in Asia!
For the glory of God has risen upon you!