MOMENTUM - 2021

RESET

This is what the LORD says: "Stop at the crossroads and look around. Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it. Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls

Jer 6:16 NLT

Problem

In Genesis I and 2, God creates the heavens and the earth and everything in it (Including Humans) and they are perfect! He created Eden – a perfect place for them to live in and enjoy, eat and work while at it. The world was a perfect place, until Adam and Eve SINNED in Genesis 3.

Their rebellion ensured that there was a damning effect on all of creation. Their relationship with God is affected and earth is also cursed – no longer able to produce wealth at ease. They are expelled from the Eden and later on, we encounter their son committing the first injustice and murder. The separation of Man and God (including everything He had created) undermined humanity's ability to find provision and wealth. It birthed social economic, political and all kinds of evils that we see today.

In the fallen world we inhabit, God's original intentions for provision and wealth are disrupted in several notable ways. Drug abuse, poor work habits, lack of access to education, ill health, concentration of resources in the hands of elites, ethnic discrimination and a myriad of other causes prevent individuals, families, communities, and entire societies from co-creation with God of the provision they need.

Since Africa confirmed its first COVID-19 case in February 2020, every country has been affected, leading to over 100

million cases and two million deaths. Nearly 40% of sub-Saharan African countries are at risk of slipping into a major debt crisis, with many African countries at high risk [of] or in debt distress.

Of Africa's nearly 420 million youth aged 15-35, one-third are unemployed and discouraged, another third are vulnerably employed, and only one in six is in wage employment

As Africa prepares for 14 presidential and parliamentary elections scheduled for 2021, "Failure of national governance" remains a leading risk to business, and social economic justice according to executives in sub-Saharan Africa.

Africa is expected to be one of the continents hardest hit by climate change, with increasing extreme weather events threatening the health of its people and economies. At the same time, mass-migration as a result of flooding or droughts could put resources such as food, water and housing under pressure in areas less affected.

These among other challenges being experienced not only in Africa but globally are a result of Sin.

Solution

Our 2021 theme, 'Reset', calls all of us to go back to basics, ask the real raw questions and choose to try again to make a change. Digital impurity has created a vicious circle around the globe, one that has sprung from misconceptions about Christ and further tainting our understanding of Him. We have defied the Lord we claim to worship. We have disgraced his holy name by our unholy lives. Yes, we believe he is the Savior. We are Christians, not pagans. But our beliefs are not strong enough to produce righteous lifestyles.

Yet, another circle is available to men and women trapped all manner of sin, a circle of redemption and revival. A holistic understanding of the Bible – A RESET- is needed to overcome the inadequate and limited concepts that have robbed the church of its potential to be an agent of change and a witness to God in the world.

We will be seeking for a Reset and understanding of God's original purpose during creation through;

A. Repentance i.e. a rally call to a

- Reset Change of Mindset (challenging people to reset how they think about their area of calling to the mind of Christ)
- Reset Change of Attitude (towards the problems we face in Africa, determine how we live and tackle them.)

B. Walking in obedience. i.e. a rally call to

 Reset - Changing our ways, a Reset On how we live and respond in our spheres of influence.

Biblical <u>repentance</u> is more than a brief liturgical phrase or a hasty superficial tear. It is a deep, heartfelt sorrow for offending the Creator of the Universe and a strong inner resolve to embrace the conversion the complete reversal of direction that our forgiving Savior longs to give us. We cannot manufacture this radical change using our own strength. But we can beg our Holy God not only to forgive but also to change us.

Obedience means unconditional submission to Jesus as Lord as well as Savior. It means abandoning our one-sided, unbiblical conceptions of sin, the gospel, salvation, and conversion, and returning to the full-blown biblical understanding of these glorious truths. It means a Reset in the biblical reality of the church as community. It means a Reset in all our spheres of influence.

If we do that, I believe we dare hope and expect that a longing for holiness will sweep not only through our churches, but in every nook and cranny of our society! Our Businesses, Governments, Arts, Digital space, Sports, will reflect biblical standards and present an attractive alternative to today's brokenness and agony. Biblical Christians will lead the way in more vigorous efforts to reduce dramatically domestic abuse, racism, materialism, Social and moral decadence, poverty etc.

Many, many things have begun with a single act of courageous obedience, throughout history and today. A person steps out and makes one courageous decision and one domino creates a genesis of other dominoes falling. One man awake, Awakens another. The second awakens His next door brother. The three awake can rouse a town by turning the whole place Upside down. The many awake can cause such a fuss it finally awakens the rest of us. One man up, with dawn in his eyes surely then multiplies.

When we call people not only to RESET but also to remain steadfast and seek for revival through Momentum Weekend, we will turn them to be powerful tools in the hands of God. We are calling everyone to stand strong in the face of trails, bear witness to the reality of our Lord and Savior. The Lord we claim to love and worship stands at the door and knocks. He longs to be truly invited in. We cannot invite only half of him. But if we dare to embrace and surrender to the full biblical Christ, he will perform mighty deeds that transcend what we dare ask or imagine. He will turn our weeping in the political Governance (social and businesses, Sports and digital (Online) media world into joy. He will end the scandal of blatant disobedience in the people who call on his name. This will inspire and challenge a friend and another friend then a family, then a town and a city and before we know it, the nation and world will also be emboldened to stand strong for God's truth and righteousness. This is Revival!

"In a land where there are no musicians; in a land where there are no storytellers, teachers, and poets; in a land where there are no men and women of vision and leadership; in a land where there are no legends, saints, and champions; in a land where there are no dreamers, the people will most certainly perish. But you and I, we are the music makers; we are the storytellers, teachers, and poets; we are the men and women of vision and leadership; we are the legends, the saints, and the champions; and we are the dreamers of the dreams. Let us sit with God for a few minutes each day and dream with him, and with the vision he places in our hearts, go out into the world with a contagious love that cannot be ignored." – Mathew Kelly.

Demographic

We will be seeking to reach out to young people in Africa between ages 20 – 38 years

PLAN

The online event, which comprises of Online worship, conversations involving people who are making an Impact in different countries in Africa and an Online revival concert, seeks to shed light on how we can use our creative gifts, social and political positions, businesses, sports and digital media as God intends.

Speakers

Different individuals across Africa who will be speaking around our theme. We will avoid having major speakers and panel set up in 2021.

Proposed countries;

I. Congo	5. Burundi	9. Zimbabwe	
2. Egypt	6. Nigeria	10.	Kenya
3. Uganda	7. S. Africa	11.	Ethiopi
4. Rwanda	8. Zambia	a	

Music

• Karura Voices (inclusive of Youth Worship team)

Program

- Friday 20th August (8:00pm 9:00pm)* Opener (different artists creatively explaining the theme)
- Saturday, 21st August (8:00pm 9:00pm)* the aim is to have a one hour forty-five minutes conversation recording around:
 - How are people used to doing things?
 - How should it be?
 - How do we reset?

• Sunday 22nd August (8:00pm – 9:00pm) - Online Revival Concert (This will be First Edition of The Online Revival, led by Karura Voices (Inclusive of Youth Worship Team). It will premiere on Sunday Evening.)

The recording of the above sessions will be on 5th (Friday Opener and Sunday Concert) and 6th of August (Speakers Session).

NEED

- Having and fronting the Conference as a Church-wide Conference for ALL.
- Having all Church departments engaged as one.
- Finances.
- Volunteers and an Independent Team.

HOW TO PLUG IN

- I. <u>Prayer</u>
- For the entire church and everyone involved.
- Finances.
- Impactl
- 2. Creating Awareness (Multiple Reinforcement)
 - Sharing posters on your social media platforms
 - Talking about it in different spaces.
 - Aim is to reach out 30K+ people over the three days and thereafter.
- 3. Signing Up to serve

- Logistics team
- Marketing Team
- Production Team
- Fundraising team
- Church/Organizations partnership

DATE DUE	DATE COMPLETED	TASK	PARTY RESPONSIBLE
		JUNE	
June 18 th		TEAM IDENTIFIED	
June 19 th		FUNDING SOURCED	
June 22 nd		EVENT ENTERTAINMENT / SPEAKERS CONFIRMED	
June 22 nd		TALENT REHEARSALS SCHEDULED	
		JULY	
July I st		SPONSORSHIP OBTAINED	
July I st		LOCATION SECURED	
July 1st		PROGRAMS / CATALOGUES	
July 5 th		EVENT RECORDING FLOOR PLAN / SET-UP	
July 5 th		PRINT ADVERTISING	
July 15 th		recording decorations / set design plan	
July 18 th		Church ADVERTISING	
July 18 th		MEDIA ADVERTISING	
		FOOD / MENU / DIETARY CONCERNS ADDRESSED	
		BEVERAGES	
		ADDITIONAL STAFF	
		SECURITY / FIRST AID	
		ADA ACCESS	
		HOUSEKEEPING	
		AUGUST	
Aug 5 th		PROMOTIONAL GIFTS	
Aug 5 th		PRIZES / GIVEAWAYS	
Aug 6 th		ONLINE REVIVALS RECORDING (Friday Worship and Sunday Concert)	
Aug 15 th		POST CONFERENCE PLAN	
Aug 20 th		GUEST AND PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK / REVIEW SYSTEM DEVELOPED	

PRODUCTION SPECIFICATIONS		
EQUIPMENT REQUIRED	COMMENTS: AVAILABLE IN-HOUSE, SPEAKER WILL PROVIDE, ETC.	
LIGHTING		
CAMERAS		
SOUND		
MICROPHONES		
STAGE SET UP		
PODIUM		
BACKGROUND MUSIC		
PHOTOGRAPHY NEEDS		
DESCRIBE STAGING SET-UP AND REQUIREMENTS		
DESCRIBE ANY ADDITIONAL SET- UP REQUIREMENTS		

POST-EVENT EVALUATION		
OBJECTIVES MET?		
BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS MET?		
UNINTENDED POSITIVE OUTCOMES?		
UNINTENDED NEGATIVE OUTCOMES?		
FEEDBACK ANALYSIS		
REVIEW OF MEASUREMENTS FOR SUCCESS		
CELEBRATION & THANK YOUS' TO TEAM, STAFF, VENDORS, GUESTS, ETC.		