My African Dream

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Oh God of all creation, see how this land and nations are endowed
This land, the mother of modern thought, innovation, philosophy and arts
A land of rich history, the origin of humanity, mathematics, science and technology

The cradle of life, creation of mankind, mother of our us all

The African heart loves, shares and hopes for same things, our own unity and prosperity

Our heart longs for the days of ancient, when we used to sing our native songs and not the empty tunes of the vain

The days when our bodies danced, together in unimaginable contortion, in synchronous gyration to the djembe

but our memories are blemished by conflict, poverty and strife, brother against brother, mother against child, government against its people

Our stomachs hardened from hunger, skin infected with disease and mind returned to a blank slate deprived of knowledge and erased of wisdom

We have lost our values, traditions and rituals. We have become selfish. We strive for self to feed our own stomachs. Why do we live for ourselves? Why do we take from our brother? Is it because we see not the affliction?
The politicians say, "we will do, we will go, just let me through and I will show you"

"Peace, peace" they say, whilst at the back they beat our brow and make us slaves of repression

Only to turn their word to poison, and feed the people the ashes of betrayal
Forgive us Lord for the sins of our fathers, for the smoldering wicks they try to extinguish.... may they not succeed I pray.

Save us from the oppression that brother brings upon brother, and offer us relief
Deliver us from future despots and lead us into salvation and consciousness.
Help us determine our future, let us become accountable to one another, let us accept responsibility and the consequences of our action
and in the days of salvation, we will thank you for the resuscitation and elevation.

We say thank you for the wealth we possess, and the bounty of our land.
For the heritage and culture, the song that is in our African heart, the drum that beats to the tune of the African spirit.
We thank you for our Africa..., our Youth Charter the way forward into our
destiny,
young men and women will dance around the fire, celebrating in the blend of
culture and tradition of the land
Sharing in the passion and wealth of ideas that the continent offers
Telling stories and parables of times past to friends on Facebook, Twitter and
around our fires at home
We shall work together for a better Africa, from Harare to Nairobi, Cairo to
Kinshasa, Uagadougu to Abidjan all together in unity we shall build a greater
Africa.

Regional cooperation and integration between Uganda and Rwanda, Botswana
and Lesotho, The Gambia and Sarahawi for the promotion of investment and
creation of sustainable wealth
Together we shall hold hands and raise them high To see Africa as one, singing
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Long live Africa,
Vivre l'Afrique
Milele Afrika
Achat Africia
Viva Africa

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