

Good evening to you all. I greet you all in the name of Jesus Christ our lord and savior! Amen. It is a great privilege and honor for me to be standing here before you tonight, to minister the word of God. Bishops, reverends and pastors here present tonight, and all you children of the most high God here present, I salute you in the name of our soon coming Lord Jesus! I feel so humbled to be here tonight.

-Tonight, we are going to focus on the word WE, as it is in our conference theme, together we go.

-WE, is the human aspect in our theme

-It is you and me that make up we

-Without you, there is no we

-Without me, there is no we

-Together you and me, we make one big family

-So today, may God address us in this service.

-For God so loved the world, he loved you and me.

-He so loved us, he made us ambassadors for Christ.

-We belong to God

-We should live for God

-We should walk like ambassadors

-We should live like ambassadors

-We should talk like ambassadors

-We represent Christ to the world

so, the church is counting on you

-Without you, there is no us

-Without me there is no us

-A chain is only as strong as its weakest link

-So, our chain is counting on you and me

-You might be the only bible that someone else will ever read.

-So be the best version of yourself

-because in you, you carry us.

-So, your brother next to you needs you, as much as you need him.

-No general wins a war alone. We are one big army together.

-Pick up your brother when he falls

-Help him stand up again

-This afternoon we have been exposed to the effects of apartheid

-And how it has left an ugly face on the streets of South Africa

-I know it's not easy to be you, considering your background

-Looking back at what you have been through, emotionally and spiritually

-It's difficult to be you

-You don't know how much it costs to be me

-You have been through some storms that left you weak and needy.

-Nobody knows the battles you have been through

- Nobody knows the battles you are fighting to maintain you
- You probably have painful backgrounds
- But your background is no reason for your back to be on the ground
- We probably come from difficult situations
- Some of us here have had encounters with the ugly face of apartheid
- But that's why we are here at this conference
- To hold each other's hand
- To help each other stand, despite the storms of life.
- Consider the concept of UBUNTU.
- I am because we are
- We are interdependent
- Black or white, rich or poor, we are interconnected
- Your anguish is linked to the anguish of someone that looks nothing like you.
- You are interconnected to someone who speaks languages you don't even understand
- Interconnected to someone who lives in ways that have no commonality with your ways
- It's all about being human

- Ubuntu tells me that when my brother dies in war, I'm equally hurt
- When our women are raped, and our girl child is kidnapped, my heart hurts
- Their cry is my cry, their sorrow my sorrow
- Because I am because we are

- When the floods sweep whole villages away in a faraway country, -Ubuntu tells me that my family is in trouble
- There is this oneness to humanity. -We are one family.
- We are all bound together in ways that are invisible to the human eye.

- O God today, deal with us, our past present and our future.
- Heal our broken hearts of God
- Heal our land, heal our bodies

- Today o God
- We are gathered here
- We need you God
- We are hurting God
- We are wounded God
- We are faced with challenges beyond our means.
- We stand here to represent our different countries and continents
- We represent our different struggles and pain
- We represent our unique challenges and backgrounds
- We represent before your o God, our wounded past
- We represent before your o God our painful history

- Holy spirit, transform lives today

- Bring peace to troubled hearts
- Silence storms raging in our lives
- Deal with the secret pain we have
- Address the insurmountable mountains that we face!
- Great God that you are!
- We trust you with our lives

-We your people are here today

- Reconcile us back to Christ
- In Jesus mighty name!
- Amen and amen

I thank you and may God richly bless you all and may your lives never be the same again.