## Poetry Series

# Keitumetse Mokhohlane <br> - poems - 

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## Keitumetse Mokhohlane()

## Keitumetse's Biography

She uses Keitumetse for her stage name.
She is Keitumetse Mokhahlane (born 21 December 2001) at Boekenhout clinic. She grew up in Mabopane, Pretoria, South Africa.

She began writing her own poetry at the age of fifteen, but her potential was recognised a year before when she was fourteen by her English teacher. While she presented her first speech in class.
Having lost both mother and father, she sought comfort and shared her feelings to her dear faithful friends. And those are, book and pen

She is an extroverted introvert. Her hand is majestic.

Her writing took a toll in 2017 when she was called to perform at the youths talent show event. This was her first performance on stage. She roared her mind in an African cry. She voiced her thoughts, together with her motivational Poetess Nontobeko.

Her way of artwork is trying to put emotions into actionable expression. She writes in four poetry structures. Which are; free verse, narrative, limerick and ballad structure.

In 2018, she had her second stage performance in youth day with her motivational Poetess on stage and took first position in poetry. She also took it to face the crowd alone, and performed in front of more than a thousand of learners.

Again in 2018, a poetry battle was introduced by Lewis-Da-Lyricist in his group World talented poetry. Battling with fifteen poets, was a challenge she took. At the end, she was awarded the title being the first. She took it to be the 2018 poetry achiever in October.

After this success and recognition, she was confident to share her artwork on Facebook. She started getting more support that her fans adviced her to write a book.

She took it into consideration. She wrote the book and titled it,
'When you think you've found the one'. It's an inspirational, poetic and motivational love book.

In 2019, she was inspired to split her ink. She took it to write two books at the same time. She is still working on them. One is titled, 'The dark road that often seem to have been enlightened'. The other is, 'A road we all have to pass through'. The two complement each other.

Out of those she made herself a quote.
'Climbing a mountain with someone always makes it seem easier, than travelling and having to climb it all alone'.
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## 2\#

Do you find it awful hard cause
I laugh like I've got Gold mines
diggin'in my own backyard

By Maya Angelou

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## A Walk In The Street

A walk in the street of...
[The dream]

A walk in the street of Ghana, With no one, by my colour!
Name changed, it'd be Elena;
This, my dream wish!
A walk in the street of Nigeria, Thoughts; it'd be like I'm from Ethiopia Heading to one of the hotels, in Zambia!
Will camp, in Algeria!
A walk in the street of America, I'd be from South Africa,
In tone, I'd sound like I'm from Botswana
While the looks clearly indicate, I'm from Lesotho!
A walk in the street of Brazil, I'd be Basil,
As though from Belgium, I'd seem as one of the Belgians
A walk in the street of Uganda (Final destination)
I'd speak Luganda,
One would think, I'm from Rwanda
Just as I'm still learning, Kinyarwanda!
A walk continuation in Uganda,
A walk to Serena Hotel, Lake Victoria and to the Nile
Nile River, and a stand in the equator!
Take a vacation, out in crater Safari lodge Kibale
A walk in the street of Uganda,
The third walk;
Visit Lake Bunyonyi
I'd see Lodge Bella
Walks in the streets of foreign countries.
The dream.

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## Be My Shoulder To Cry On

Be my shoulder to cry on

I am deeply pained,
Badly damaged and hurt.
I wish to have been trained,
Trained to protect my heart.
I'd have been hard,
Hard to get.
I would have carried a sharp sword,
All goals would have been met.
Be my shoulder to cry on,
One I'll lean on
On in sweet moments
Moments even in those that'll be sour
I'm exposed,
Exposed to the worlds cruelty
Can't I be disposed?
Disposed and be given an opportunity?
I've went beyond the sky
I've pointed at a star,
I'm left with a tattooed scar...
Be my shoulder to cry on
I've written with an ink
I've used the colour pink
I'm about to sink
Save me!
The ink cannot be removed,
I've learned to use a pencil
Pencil for the pain to be easily erased,
I am disgruntled
Be my shoulder to cry on.

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## Better Angle

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Pose from left, pout
Shift a bit to the right, camera out!
I'll take you, in a better angle
Look steady, I'm concentrated
All's shady, unfiltered
I know it'll appear in perfection,
Since that's what you're fond of!
Don't worry about the distance,
Darling, we'll enhance
Just be patient, and embrace
Embrace yourself for believing without seeing my face
This should be our captured memory,
You'll write the story,
Story of us, to those that'll be history
I'll shoot you, in a better Angle...
I want them to notice,
Notice this photogenic part of I,
Through you...
At a glance, at a better angle
Be my test,
This camera is to be my examination,
You're to be my final mark,
A departure, of my destination
No prescription needed
I'll capture you,
With this poetry ka_caption;
At a better Angle...

Written: 18/05/2019
K.J.M Ink

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## Can't It Be?

Can't it be?

Late night texts, on que
Calls on my line, no thoughts about it's due
Can't it be like before?
Before where everyone thought we were pasted in glue?
Can't it be?
Where I get excited to log in,
Knowing I'd find your message,
Not just one, but lots of them
Where you'd sing me a lullaby every night
Told me to trust unto God, as he's might
He'll be my light
Where we'd share verses every night,
Meditation upon the word,
Can't it?
Go to where our love was expressed through Christ
Were you'd pray for me,
Me while I'm praying for you...
Can't it just be like in the past?

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## Check On Me

## Check on Me

I've been sick,
Been told my life's at a tick,
Everyday I turn weaker,
Still hope to get better...
I'm not good,
I'm not running desperate,
I've attached myself as gathered wood,
And verified through a template
I'm loosing my mind,
The same way I lost myself,
To your faraway land,
Kindly do, Check on Me
Whenever I cough,
I get tough,
Plan to play it all rough,
Like I'm Lovesick though...
I had a dream,
You'd taken me to the stream,
The stars, moon, lights went dim
What are those signs?
I've been told they're those...
Those that shows the world's end,
Our life's end?
Wait, and?
End of fate,
Believed till date,
Check on me,
So tomorrow won't be late...

I've been made aware,
I can't make plans for your tomorrow,
Since you can't avail yourself for today, Hadn't it been better yesterday?
I can pack stanzas, Yes, I can still rhyme!
I still use simile, Metaphor, but does it make sense?

My mind is damaging my writing, My ink has split,
My hand is loosing it's taste, Check on Me.

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## Did I Make You Proud?

Did I make you proud?

I've broken my promise
I lied, you were deceived
I've broken the steel
So, I've stood still
I couldn't climb the mountain,
I dived into the sea in hope to see,
All I saw was your tears flowing as the fountain
I'd been mendacious,
Would have been gracious,
Did I make you proud?
I was oblivious
I took it as an obligation
Threw an objection
Made it all go in slow in motion
I delayed it's rotation,
I didn't take your instruction
To whom can I turn to?
Whose like you?
Face, faced down
Saw you, frown
I'd thought of getting a credit,
Credit as I left for an edit
I saw myself as fit,
Fit to be, and took a seat
Sat back and got relaxed
Relaxed and forgot to observe...
Did I make you proud?
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## Have You Noticed?

Have you noticed?

Whenever you ask for my pictures, I only send one's I'm smiling at them...
Have you noticed?
Have you wondered why?
I want you to worry less,
Not about my pain,
The pain that made me be in sadness...
I want you to think all is well,
That I'm doing great,
You know why?
You once told me my smile brings you happiness, It is your worry killer pill, You said I shouldn't let go of it, I should always be joyful, until... Have you noticed?

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## His Desires

His desires.
[Her observation]

His desire, wealth
His partner, money
His empire, ruling the earth
His life, lavish; sweet as honey
Not conscious, of his health

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## I Dived Into Deep

And still, I dived in too deep...

He had made it clear,
Clear that 'we're just giving it a try'...
Said, 'My dear';
I'm doing this, since I don't want to see you cry
I'm not sure, lent me an ear
I'm not sure if it is the most wisely picked decision.
And still, I dived in too deep...
He told me it wouldn't be;
Be like in the past,
Where I'd be his first,
And whom he fully trust,
Said, it felt as a must!
I said it's fine,
We'll go with time,
Can you call me yours? You mine?
He'd said, 'maybe sometime'
And still, I dived in too deep...
You told me you don't have the assurance,
Assurance that we'll last,
Said you were tired of not seeing my face,
And saw no use, just
Just you'll fast forward the time, that'll you'll race
Race your love at a pace behind mine...
Then I stood, had a thought and stroke at this pose.
And still, I dived in too deep...

Written: 16/05/2019

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## I Don't Know

I don't know how being in love feels, but I know I don't wanna let go of this I don't know how being loved feels, but I know this isn't a flip-fling
I don't know if you know what I think you'd know you know but I know by now you must know that I know you still don't know but are aware

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## I Don't Know If You've Noticed

## I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE NOTICED

Our passion changed
Way of communication, Not sure of the affection,
Are we afflicted? ,
There's a few to mention, We hardly talk,
It has got my heart, Heart since we've never took a walk.

Walk to such, I've surrendered all unto God, I don't know if you've noticed,
Our thoughts have been fast forwarded,
Now you've been rewarded,
Rewarded from all your sacrifices
Lanes have been switched,
I've been impressed, success halfly achieved
Quite surprised,
Surprised how all has turned
We've been kids then ((A year, and seven months ago))
Now we've seen
The importance of building our future
Future since we're sure
I've got the assurance,
I don't know if you've noticed
I have the idea
Idea of which we've been securely embraced

Embraced by God's wing.

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## I Keep Searching

And so, I keep searching!

They said it's there, I should keep looking! Looking and adhere,
And so, I keep searching!
I'd found someone (I recall)
Whom left me alone,
Alone after he'd said we're done!
This created in me a mess, like a cyclone!
It was all a trauma,
Of which could have landed me in a coma,
I kept breathing the sorrow aroma,
And so, I keep searching!
It was time,
I knew I couldn't call him mine,
With all the given sign,
I'd moved on, therein by nine!
It has left me with a scar,
But the hunt is on,
Love, take me far!
And so, I keep searching!

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## I Took It All For Granted

I took it all for granted

You showed me your all,
All even through the distance
All had been well
Since I'd never seen your face!
From first chat,
There was this unexplainable connection
Phone hidden under a hat
You expressed your affection
I thought it'd be just a fling
As you made my phone ring
Ring at a ringtone of Stuart bling
I at times hid under a wing,
Wings of birds that'd sing
No one believed in us,
But you kept hangin'
While livin'
Livin' million miles away
Each day-:
Day you made a way...
And I have to say;
I took it all for granted!
I was foolish,
Foolish that I got blinded!
The breeze flew,
Your love I threw,
The broken pieces, I couldn't sew
I moved on, with just a few
You weren't deceptive,
I shifted, you took no move
And I,
I took it all for granted.
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## If It Were Up To Me

If it were up to me

I would have stopped,
Stopped giving my heart, Perhaps I'd not be pained,
Nor been hurt!
I'd have forgotten you, I'd not think of you, I'd not keep pictures of you, If it were up to me... I wouldn't have let you in, I wouldn't have gone out, That I'd be forced to sin, If I were; to decide! I wouldn't have left, If you'd said I was right, You could have been soft, Instead, you went blind at one sight
Said I'd stay, Way after May,
Watched me sway,
And pushed me away...
I wouldn't be thinkin'
Trust me, I wouldn't be lovin'
Nor find you trustin'
I'm not claimin'
I'd have deleted them, I would have burned them, I wouldn't have kept them, Those, pictures of yourself! I would have easily erased, Erased you from my memory, That way, we'd have no history! If it were up to me...

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## I'll Always Treasure The Memory Of...

I'll always treasure the memory of...

I had hid myself,
Myself under a rock,
You went alone, by yourself
Even though you were sick,
'Twas on a rainy day, And you walked barefoot!
You went on, hit the way
In hope to spot,
Spot me...

Your way seemed to have been enlightened,
Enlightened by the ray of light.
You continued,
Continued walking whilst looking

I was pained!
I was fed up and tired!
Tired of life!

You spoke of marriage (Attention captured)
You said you want me to be your wife
You didn't care about our age
Then the rock hit me hard
I threw it aside

Aside as wounds had healed (From my heart)
I came outside.(From under the rock, I'd been hiding under)

Unforgettable Moment;
Tears in your eyes,
Dried on my face.
Love you confessed,
In shock, I processed!

Then you embraced me

I will...
And I'll always treasure the memory of: Of you having my back at all times.

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## I'll Have You As My Title

I'll have you as my title

You held my hand,
As you watched me tighten my belt, Had me play with sand,
Kiss on my forehead, would feel my heart melt!
You sew my shoe,
You chew my gum Lu'
Played friend or foe,
Had no choice,
but stood on queue
Stickied myself to you, with glue
Since then, I decided
I'll have you as my title,
Give me a riddle,
Light off the candle,
No need to cuddle, We'll clean, using Mr Muscle
Play me a guitar,
Sing for me, like my mentor
Voice clear, no error!
Hadn't gone through the apartheid era,
Nor do I have a voice of singer Lira,
I love animal Zebra!
I would befriend snake Cobra!
Promised me a visit to the zoo,
So I'll have you as my title!

Written: 04/08/2019

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## It's The Scars I

It's the scars I

It's the scars...
Scars that caused you pain,
Tears fell, like rain
Yet in mind, you remained sane
You gave yourself power;
Power that left you weak,
Power that made you sick
Thee power, that broke you into pieces
All went in different directions
You were unable
Unable to control your emotions
Emotions, that were never stable
You were trustful, found trustworthy
Told the truth, truthfully
But...; it's the scars
Scars that blew your truthfulness to mars
You left it all up to fate,
At no given date,
Kindness got you delayed,
Thought they'd be your soulmate...
It's the ignorance that taught you stupidity,
It's the scars that gave you an opportunity, It's life, that granted you on it's continuity, It's the pain that left you empty...
K.J.M Ink

Written: 22/11/18

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## It's The Scars Ii

It's the scars II
(Continued)
The road had been long,
Today you're strong
Found your story in the lyrics of a song
It's the scars, now count your stars
You learned from your mistakes,
Now you know what it takes!
Had a taste, to all cakes (Different types of pain)
It's the scars...
You were troubled,
You'd been crying,
You kept screaming,
Never stopped believing
At first you were the tree,
No movement to incur, weren't free...
The road was traumatic
Sadness had been magnetic
In its removal, used emetic
Sadly, it isn't endemic
Yé, you were optimistic
You got heuristic
It's the scars,
Scars that groomed you up to this point. .
K.J.M

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## Letter

Letter for you, the language you understand...

I'd been under the tree,
Covered in it's cool shadowed wind,
Wind when I decided to set my mind free;
Then my conscious told
'You're getting afraid, getting scared by day...'
Ninahis kama tunakuwa mbali
Dear: show me the way
Way since;
Sis vigumu kuzugumza, wewe daima umechukua
I am feeling restless,
Not that I'm in loneliness,
I'm just... slowly turning into a mess
Isn't that you're showing your love less?
Niabie ikiwa sivyo...
Bare with me, I care!
Play truth, I'll dare!
Be kin, all will be fair!
[A chance to enhail and exhale]
Ninangelwa, nikazi
Lakini, naweza kuwa sehemu yake pia?
I'm not a doctor,
But you're my heart's medicine.
You're my so'mate factor,
You're...oh mine!
Malaika wa mungu!
I am feeling drained,
My heart, not pained
At times I sit and wonder,
Since it was once over;
Can you be my letter reader?
I'll be the eternal writer.
[Confession]
You know, at times I become so weak
Weak that I need just one thing from you;
Just one...
Nikumbuke tuya upendo wako kwangu.
I plead unto this; but here I am

Ninajiuliza, ikiwa imebadilika, au ulifanya
I need some answers...
Answers, since you always leave me questioning
But...
Mwishoni, upendo wangu hautakufa
Even if you're far,
In my heart, you're kept close
It isn't an issue,
One of the reason,
Reason we were able to continue,
As the sky is blue,
My thoughts are true,
Placed into a hidden treasure,
Be my love's measure,
Till now, we're sure...
Look, I may play around,
Lakini macho yangu
Fate has confirmed, we're bound
Bound to be, as it has been. \{Crazy in love\}
God has assured me,
Siku moja nitakufikia, utafikia Mimi!
But... (Complain)
Kila unapochagua, 'Kuponda kwangu' huputa huzini
[\{That's it\}]
Here's a fact,
Ninakupenda had pumzi yangu ya mwishoni [Keep this]
Dedication:
Prince wa Mjini, Mimi ni princess yako Mjini.

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## Messenger

Dear Messenger

Her heart is no longer normally pumping,
We were told her life is at stake,
She's slowly breaking,
'Though, she's holding on for peace sake!
Her breath is shortened,
Mentally, she's unstable!
Our wish; Is for all to go as per prayer planned.

Dear messenger...
Pass him her greetings,
Her days are limited,
Her hours are being counted,
Tell him all she utters is his arrival...
She hardly walks,
She barely eats,
She does less talk to her folks,
Doctor said, 'Death in her is preparing a seat'.

Dear messenger,
Tell him she needs him,
Not in a distance,
But way, face to face
Her recovery is critical,
Her pain is emotional not only physically,

Dear messenger,
Tell him only he can save her by paying a visit.

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## Not Matching With Your Standard

Not matching with your standard
You can afford,
Afford on, expensively
Hear my cry, I'm about to say a word
Words out; carefully...
I've been thinking, take a guess (Moment for you)
I know.. I'm...
Not matching with your standard
You've been too good
I've been so too, I hope
Look at you,
You dazzle,
At times saddle,
~||~ One day I'll walk down the isle $\sim$ ||~
Tis my wish,
Wish since...my work, work
May be to dish
Dish down your dignity
Dirty? ? I am!
Poverty fortified me, , ,
Tell me
Who am I?
I to be close to you?
I know,
Not matching with your standard!
Now you're drifting away (Soulless me, thinks!)
Is it so?
Or is it I?
Sorry for befriendingparent less me...
Not matching with your standard!

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## October

October

Land beautifully painted, green!
Nature organized view, seen!
October the breather
Breather of the fresh spring breeze
An opportunity giver
One who synchronize
Heals pain through rain,
Shines the sun through dust
As it throws storms in thorns
Makes the wind blow
Blow through hail
Hail as it plans to sail, October connected
Connected through poetic devices
Involved in races
October received a ring from spring, A call from nature
A text to nurture
Nature freedom of life
A request from November
October the hidden treasure
Filled with unpredictable measure
October, the profound discovery.

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## Other Side Of Me

Other side of me

I am a mother of my own, And stronger than the lion!
It's to this far, I've grown
A seed in me, I've sown
I've been racing,
Racing at the rate of a snail
I never stopped trying,
Went on, survived through the hail
Became faster than a cheetah
Couldn't watch him cheat her
Spotted like a tiger
Striped, as 'Master' Zebra
I've been carrying a luggage
Of which if I had to speak my language
It'd be an elephant sized cage
Now Fred, opened a new page.

My ink.

Poetess K.J.M

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## Pain Introduced Me To Poetry

Pain introduced me to Poetry

I didn't have a mother to talk to,
A father too,
With my younger sister, we'd be four
((A moment to grieve))
Two of us, uncrowned queens!
They were all layed to rest... (Mom, dad, sister)
It all happened so fast
I couldn't even write my name (Then)
I could only observe
I wanted to know the meaning of my surname
Recieved no parental love (Sorry if it hits hard)
Pain kicked in, and changed me
That's how,
Pain introduced me to Poetry
It had been feeling sorry,
Then, I consulted my book and pen
(I remember)
I'd stand outside at night
Night to look
Look unto heaven and stars
Thought I'd see mom,
Or maybe, dad
I couldn't even see my sister's face
Saw the stars race (shooting)
Perhaps 'twas them
Pain introduced me to Poetry...
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## Poetry

Interesting things about poetry
(My thought for observations)
All scaled under whatever, a poet
Or a fellow poetess right, Will always sound write, You get to read right sounds, Sounds correct; words wrong...
You'd be regarded rogue,
Interesting things about poetry;
You can get court,
And be sent to caught,
While your confidence get conned,
While others are asleep,
Writers are wide awake,
They'd be doing so, through slipping
While you, are sleeping
They'd be out on a trip (Imaginarily)
Riding a tyre,
While the driver (pen)tire
Poetry is often found complicated!
While it needs a freelance writer,
One that'll be creatively committed, Interesting things about Poetry;
All poems are pert,
Yet only a few are written about at least one pet, It's perspicacious, Done in the manner of pertinacious, Poets often use big words, bombastically!
Interesting things about Poetry:
You will be left answered,
Answered, yet confused!

Written: 06/04/18
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## Replenish Me

Replenish Me!

My mind, emptied
My heart, unoccupied
My sight, darkened
Replenish me!
How much will it cost?
Should I weigh the currency?
Hope it isn't a must...
Must since it has passed democracy.
Your existence; (In thought)
In my fantasy!
Haven't had a look at you, face to face (In wonder)
Come to my dreams, we'll have our privacy!
Replenish me!
Send me some,
Some of your audio tunes,
Then, we can go visit Rome!
I'm missing some pieces,
Of which have been knitted,
Knitted to your life's thesis,
So, let's be united!
I need your bloods donation,
To reach your hearts condition,
So we can have a connection,
With no done effortlessly perfection
Replenish me!

Written: 09/05/2019

By: K.J Mokhahlane

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## Resurrected Love

## Resurrected Love I

I was staring outside my bedrooms window when I started day dreaming this Him: From the beginning, I never wanted to let you go. But you let go of me. I didn't want to go far, but you said we should keep a distance. I told you about my everything, my life. You never took them to head. Please give me another chance to prove to you I can love you again.. K2, please, please..
I looked deep into his tear-blurred eyes and went speechless.
(He continued)
Loving you wasn't my choice, it's God's plan. I know it may be late. But not if we're willing to use our time wisely. Be kin. You know, I made a vow with God To never leave you nomater what. I asked him to open my eyes only for you. If you walk away again, I'll become blind
. I couldn't do anything, except to shed a tear

## (He proceeds,)

I promise you.. you know I've always been loyal. Receive my heart with warm hands.

He went on his knees,
I don't have a ring, I don't have money, but please promise me that you'll forever be mine.. give me the assurance I can't afford to let you go.
(I assessed him well, After ten minutes, I responded)

You could have chosen better, instead you chose to break my heart.. I shed tears

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## Resurrected Love Ii

Resurected Love II
(Continuation Part 2)
There he was, stood on he's left side bed. After all I said, he kept quite. Trying to hide his tears, unfortunately the situation couldn't allow him to. His face had turned red, his eyes showed restlessness.
(I continued...)
'Huh of cause! Cry, silence that's how I know you! So tell me, after all the pain you think things will work out? I mean us? After whole year, you've decided to come back to me? What's in it for you? Why? You called everything off. I just had to abide. I dealt with all your drama! Now what? You're lonely? You need me? I'm your only help? '
(I then went mute, tears started falling hard. He came to where I was sitting, in the chair which was faced to the mirror. All this happened in his room. Thought he'd say something, but he went quite, down on his knees. He was still in tears..)

I continued, after cooling off..
'Didn't you say you're matured?
Hadn't you said you'll never leave? Never lie?
Future wife you said...(Tears in my eyes again)
You said you'll never break my heart, you'd rather die... (Tears fell harder) He then held my hand, finally breathed out some words.
'Bae, it wasn't....' (He went quite, I'd been looking at him attentively. The room was suddenly filled with darkness, you could feel the coldness in our hearts) Talk, spit it all out, say it all, I'm all ears: I said.
(I steadily looked into the mirror, he'd now sat to a chair that was next to mine. Miraculously, our reflection showed two separate roads. Of which met at it's ends. He saw this too)
He said, 'That, that is me and you(pointing at our route reflection)we don't agree at anything now, you're mad at me, angry at me, so am I. But at the end, we'll meet, be reunited'
(I couldn't understand this)
He continued;
'All I'm asking is a second chance, I'll prove to you my love. My affection. I'll love you like never before.'
I said, 'If that were the case, your love would have been shown by now. I've found someone...'
To be continued....

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## Return My Smile

Return my smile

I'm in need,
I gave you my trust,
In you, I trusted!
Said we were to last,
And so, we lasted!
Took a move,
Move from your hometown,
To somewhere, you sought love
In a city, that's more like Sun city!
Please, I'm on my knees
Fast, dust makes me sneeze
Winter cold, makes me freeze
Kindly, return my smile I'm in need
I told myself,
Myself that smile is a foundation for happiness;
So, I hid it all in my heart's shelf
So, I sank into loneliness
I've been faking,
Since I was hurting,
It's overwhelming, to keep trying
Trying to spend time, without smiling!
Come back to our place,
It's now as big as a palace,
Then, you'll get to see each others face
Return my smile, I'm in need.

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## Rise

Rise

South Africans;
Rise, rise oh arise!
Our country is like an unbalanced tent
The uncontrollable wind,
Wind driven by humankind,
Hatred is increasing everyday,
Trust is killed each day,
Love amongst us Africans, dead!
Where have we thrown away our peace?
Oh, it starts with a disagreement
Turns to an argument,
To end the deal, others will have to morn
Morn in tears and be left torn!
South Africa,
Rise, rise and arise!
What went wrong?
When did we become so relaxed?
So relaxed that we forget where we're coming from?
The future generations (young girls)are being killed
They're being kidnapped,
Some of their parts, get sold
What's your stand to this?
South Africa get bold!
Rise, rise, rise
Even some of our leaders, aren't leading by an example anymore!
What happened?
Answers, answers I plead
Was humanity and unity burried?
Burried with our legend, Nelson Mandela?
If not,
Rise, rise and rise up!
Our country is floating,
Floating to the deepest seas
South Africa let's rise, Poverty can be lowered
Strive to make a change!
It shouldn't all be upon the government,

Before you judge me, I plead guilty
But, truth is a judicious choice!
Now South Africa, it's time to start our race!
What are your thoughts?
Let's rise and hold our hands,
Let us unite!

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## Sure, Love Her!

Sure, Love her!

We used to be close,
Closer than thumb and nail,
See how we've become distant (it's always crush this, crush that)
We're crossroads
Twisted fate!

She came into the picture,
Got deleted,
Thought you'd be my boredom cure,
Face detection, detected!
No longer in a close friendship
Guess who got it opened?
You!

You're with her, you say
You aren't friends, you said
I know! You've layed it all flat, on a tray
I won't be sad
Guess maybe, , I'm mad!
Sure, love her!

Text for you:
Thank you for giving me an opportunity to become your friend.

Dedication: All friends I've lost throughout the years

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## Take A Spin

Take a spin

Take a spin, to the South direction
There's your African Queen
That's special, like nothings ever green
But I want to have some explanations
Explanations that you'll have to explain
Explaining explanatory

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## The Map I've Been Keeping

The map I've been keeping
'Twas one of those random visits, Visits to Google,
Then I came across it,
Took a press, network was in wrestle!
Said I should wait,
Patiently, I thought of a Barbie's Diamond Castle
By a wink in a bit,
I could come to admit,
It took longer for Google to submit!
Finally, after an hour
The map was submitted!
'Twas now fully loaded!
complete, I shouted!
Click, ring text alert
'Your data has been depleted'
I smiled!
Now my worries were done!
I now knew I'd find you!
I've planning to reach for Ug plane
Name being Eugene, I'd go insane!
I couldn't withhold my tears,
So, I've extended my eyelashes
And the map I've been keeping...
Is about to burn to ashes!
Clearly you don't need me!
There's no reason to keep hoping!
You've found a better place!
A better seat!
Why should I keep thinking?
Thinking you'd love to see my face?
Have a good treat,
I'm throwing away,
The map I've been keeping...

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## The Need To Tell Me

The need to tell me...

Everybody knows about you,
I told them about you,
Even though, none have met you...
The need to tell me, if we're on the same page
We've got same dreams, at least that's what we thought
We'll follow same streams, to this there was no doubt
The need to tell me...
Me, if anything has changed
I'm feeling the cold,
Where's the gap opened?
Have you got my love for you sold?
Sold that your heart vacancy seats would be noticed?
The wind is blowing strong,
The waiting is becoming increasingly long,
Have you had a pause at Hong Kong?
To dedicate them a song?
The need to tell me...

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## Tomorrow

I'm a tomorrow
Of which you played yesterday
Whom you don't need today.

I've come to know, one day you'll need me. When you realize I've always been the one who's had your back.

Gonna watch you success in my front

I'm God's Masterpiece

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## Voices In My Head

Voices in my head
[Am I awaiting a Ghost? ]
Why are holding on?
What are you holding onto?
You always have to ask, 'what's going on?'
Kay, what are you driving yourself to?
You have a lot of questions,
They're never there to answer...
Observe their intentions,
Don't they say it's all over?
They may always be active,
But not for you baby girl,
We've scanned, there's no love
Love detected for you...
Let go now, focus
Take it all out, like mucus
Do they care?
Is his side love fair?
You will keep praying?
Will you keep breaking?
Will you keep hurting?
Well, you can still be hoping...
Get the hope that all will be well,
Maybe they'll call,
I mean, I've never been there
There when both of you fell...
When you fell to this trap,
Let me take a nap,
I've got to wrap,
Wrap your love story map
You can have high hopes,
But as soon as you break;
You'd wish you could...
Could have taken a permanent break
[My Questions]
What do I do?
Wait till I'd have to say I do?
Just throw the towel?

Tell me, do I hang myself?
Lock the so called feelings?
Feelings in a shelf?
Whisper sweet nothings?
Am I awaiting a ghost?
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## Warning

Warning

I've had a dream
Dream of which I'd been cold
Cold when my temperature is high
I'm confidently bold,
Warning, in that dream
My book written intelligence was sold
Sold to a stranger,
Stranger that gave me an artistic mind (in exchange)
Mind and an artistic hand ||~\|
K.J.M

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## When Wewere Young

When we were young

When we were young,
Childhood became long,
'Twas such a memorable journey
Shared by two precious souls
We were overwhelmed with peace, Happiness was our daily bread, Wish (can it go back please?)
Unintelligible joy, on our lead
We'd carry each others schoolbags,
Walk along, holding hands
Take one of the longest roads
Thinking we'd arrive early
Then... Go to the river
Splash into the water
Make mud-castles
Instead of one's from sand
When we were young
We were life savers, no degree
We were intelligent, no masters
'Twas then, when we were young...
K.J.M

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## Where Do We Stand?

Where do we stand?

I'm getting confused, where do we stand?
Calls to come over,
Am I now your lover?
I told I love car Range Rover,
Said you'd be my smile keeper...
Bought a drink,
Drink of which I only had a sip,
With one eye you winked, then i watched myself sink
Said I should rest, you'll watch me sleep
You switched off the lights,
Through those lonely nights,
'Twas calm, with no fights
Fred, with fought for rights!
Hug me from behind,
Blow me a kiss from afar,
I'm getting confused, where do we
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