

I Write What I Love!

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THE URGENT IMPERATIVE OF REALISTIC DECOLONISATION OF AFRICAN ADVENTISM IN SOUTH AFRICA

South African Seventh-day Adventism is a sponsored religious socio-epistemic Eurocentricity embedded in race-driven colonial thought and mission. This is the reason why Africans can be told to keep away from whites during the apartheid time and then told to merger with whites after 1984.

The racial alienation of the pre-1984 Adventist structures in this country was driven from white fears of the condemnation that would emerge from the post-apartheid government.

This was immoral rationalisation that calls for rejection from sound-minded Africans.

Racism is as unscriptural as unscriptural unification. It is collateral with the Euro-barbaric coloniality and racism that has cursed Adventism since its advent in South Africa.

The structural race-driven unification of the church after 1984 was also driven from whiteness and not scripture. Black Adventists are being used to protected social evil in white thought. Adventist whites are as racist now as they were when they came to this land. The crucial challenge is the simplistic collaboration of Black pastors who advanced

a fraudulent gospel of unification. As a child of a pastor, a brother of a pastor, a nephew of pastors and the uncle of some pastors, I stand firm on condemning the duplicity of this church both before and after 1994. I cannot be hoodwinked by fraudulent smiles and deceitful duplicity in a land where my people have suffered severely since 1652 from western foreigners.

The letter that I sent to Dr Ted Wilson some three years ago has not been replied. I reject a European Jesus. I reject an African Satan. I reject European biblical Jews. Jews are historical dark-hued. Adam and Eve and their descendant were dark-hued!

All the pictorial mystifications of the GC in the church's texts consist of Satanic mystification of truth.

Read the 234-page text,

SABBATH ROOTS: The African Connection (1990)

by late Charles Bradford.

I stopped reading the Sabbath School Lesson quarterly after the month when I sat for seventeen days alone and read the Bible from Genesis to Revelation.

I was surprised to discover the dominant ethnological realities this church does discourse in its texts.

The time for a New Awakening in the African church has come.

We can no longer be hoodwinked by the General Conference and the local

Voice of Prophecy Bible School in Cape Town.

**The Bible was written by our African ancestors!
Europeans came into the faith during the evangelistic
Journeys of Paul in the Mediterranean Region.**

On the basis of African historical research I did in two universities in which I studied in this land, I am ready to reject all that is European in biblical studies before One AD. The Bible is an African text in which all humanity is welcome on the basis of the universality of the Adami fall.

Nobody below fifteen years will be allowed in the meeting.

The Imperative of a New and Contemporary Adventist Curriculum in Biblical Studies and Salvation History

I write as a convinced reader and teacher of the Bible and Christian salvation history. There is an urgent revolutionary imperative now for a new Adventist cohort of biblical studies that will expose and affirm the ethnological and historical realities of the Bible.

The time has come African Adventists to

- (1) Revisit and reaffirm their historical location in salvation history;
- (2) Create literature that affirms this reality and one that we can boldly pass to our children;
- (3) Create a more relevant and realistic model of mission and ministry to our people;
- (4) Establish institutions that will affirm who we are in salvation history and help us engage in mission and ministry to our people with thought and methodological tools that will save them from European mythology.
- (5) A new realistic and salvific Adventism must arise from this country that will be an instrument for effective redemption of our people.

A Black Adventist Socio-theological Convention is a logical imperative now. Time is not on our side.

Towards a Black Adventist Intellectual Revolution

There is an urgent need now for a decisive and goal-driven theo-moral revolution in South African Adventism. How readers will feel about this proposal is their problem and not mine. I have a strong settled position on race relations in the church in this land. I do know that many African and white pastors have no interest in race relations issues.

They have a direct interest in survival realities. Colonialism and racism have benefitted them materially.

Listen: If you are not in my ideological clan or space, leave me alone. I am not addressing you and your sociologically empty Adventism. Our socialisation models differ. I state, firmly and fearlessly, that Adventism in this country is a Euro-colonial apartheid institutional reality. You can go to the GC or SAU Police Station for my arrest. In the words of Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*, "I am as constant as the northern star." This one of the reasons why my children did not go Model Cee schools to be taught by Caucasians. Education has been - in Africa since Adam and Eve – the task of parents and local communities.

Invitation

On the last Sabbath of March, from 14h00, a Convocation of
Concerned Adventists will be held in the
Adventist Church in Zola, Soweto.
The meeting will begin at 14h00 and end at 17h30.
