

# Lidia Dube. 30 May 2019 part 2

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## SPEAKERS

Arno Stegen, Jabulani Dube, Marius Pretorius, Zulu Interpreter

### *Jabulani starts speaking in Zulu. Marius Pretorius interprets*

**Marius Pretorius** 00:23

I will greet you this afternoon

**Marius Pretorius** 00:34

I can say my sister is a hero

**Marius Pretorius** 00:48

because the bloods come from left and right from all over but she just continues and she doesn't grow weary

**Marius Pretorius** 01:02

and I say they've got rid of her done with her and they're not done with her

**Marius Pretorius** 01:22

Now it started afresh when she now got well in better again because there was a time when she was unwell. And when she was unconscious

**Marius Pretorius** 01:37

It was here at Kranskop on a farm in a farmhouse

**Marius Pretorius** 01:47

and they she fell unconscious, and then she passed away. She died,

**Marius Pretorius** 01:57

And then Reverent said we need to report that at home.

**Marius Pretorius 02:08**

So I went to our home to my father to go and tell him and inform him that my sister had passed away

**Marius Pretorius 02:19**

when we got the with my father we got back. They said she is been raised to life

**Marius Pretorius 02:31**

And I shared with us how she had had a personal meeting with the Lord Jesus face to face

**Marius Pretorius 02:43**

and how she had been shown the Broadway and the narrow way now narrow the way is that leads to heaven.

**Marius Pretorius 02:59**

And when she had come back to life, she couldn't walk. She had to be in a wheelchair. It took her quite a while

**Marius Pretorius 03:14**

And after a long time she was then able to eat again

**Marius Pretorius 03:21**

And then eventually her body recovered and she picked up weight again and then eventually she could walk again.

**Marius Pretorius 03:35**

And God revealed to her that she should start the youth conference,

**Marius Pretorius 03:48**

Now you could go all over, wherever evangelistic meetings were held, but they weren't any services, particularly for the youth.

**Marius Pretorius 04:09**

And then after that, God revealed to her that we should have a ministry amongst the young men, as you see. So many young men coming for help

**Marius Pretorius 04:32**

and they are many numbers a number that come as you see they may be reduced in a number at the moment is because we say before the conference many of them should be going home and but many many of them have been helped

**Marius Pretorius 05:03**

And the work started in a very difficult manner at the beginning to Thogoso Nlabati, I don't know where he is, if he's here, but he would go to cemeteries and they would see some young men sleeping

amongst the graves. And he's saying, you can come with us you can come to the mission. Rev Stegen has given a vehicle a combi, by which they could be fetched.

**Marius Pretorius 05:39**

some of them would sleep amongst the tombs amongst the graves, they would eat from rubbish bins, and that's where they would find a nicer place to sleep.

**Marius Pretorius 05:53**

others would sleep under the bridges

**Marius Pretorius 06:01**

also went to brothels and to places of prostitution.

**Marius Pretorius 06:13**

And when people would go on to go in there they would say, You know what, there's a place where you can get help with you can find a better life come with us.

**Marius Pretorius 06:34**

and so whether it be young men whether it be girls found them and that way and when those had been helped and had been set free from their addiction, then they started telling the others about it

**Marius Pretorius 07:15**

And so the word spread and people started coming from Cape Town Donnybrook all over and they would tell one another and about it and police would bring people saying, well, maybe they can be helped here, and so that is how the work increased.

**Marius Pretorius 07:43**

And where did all that begin? It is because Reverend Stegen even if a child should come to him with an idea with a revelation then he will test it and see if it is of God or not. And if it is, then he encourages it and supports it

**Marius Pretorius 08:06**

in some cases you will say we'll pray about it and we'll

**Marius Pretorius 08:12**

maybe some of you are tired you're looking down eyes now still want to say something

**Marius Pretorius 08:27**

I think it starts started there. I don't know but if I look at it, to me it seems that's where it began. That she was hated so much

**Marius Pretorius 08:51**

God also use my mother very much. And then she was slandered and smeared to such an extent I won't even mention it. here, because the children yet

**Marius Pretorius** 09:17

and my sister has been smeared and slandered with a degree that I cannot repeat here because there are children.

**Marius Pretorius** 09:32

That's what we know you cannot speak about everything when there are children

**Marius Pretorius** 09:47

I think that's why she didn't say everything here, because she considered the younger people the children that it will be 80 kilograms to them, where maybe they can only carry a weight to five kilograms

**Marius Pretorius** 10:07

we grew up in an era when adults would discuss things I would say you the children can go and play outside.

**Marius Pretorius** 10:21

but today matters are just discussed at the dining table dining room table and the children hear everything

**Marius Pretorius** 10:35

my sister spoke about the king or royalty.

**Marius Pretorius** 11:03

they still there's somebody I don't know. I'm still praying, I can approach that person. That's it. I don't know if that person is here that said, we blacks, we respect the kings so much. But isn't that written in the Bible that we should just respect kings?

**Marius Pretorius** 11:25

a person actually came to me and reprimanded me and said the way that I'm doing it is not right.

**Marius Pretorius** 11:33

But that person can preach that the papers fly

**Marius Pretorius** 12:13

and we respect our kings and that's biblical. And that's also according to our custom. Oom Jan Pienaar can testify to the fact that when we were in Swaziland and we went to see the Royal Highness the king there, we had to walk on our knees and a long distance until we got to him

**Marius Pretorius** 12:51

and not that we thought it's a good idea to do that. That's the way that they do it. Everybody else does it and we found him doing it. And if you want to give him a Bible as a gift, you have to walk out there and carry the Bible like that walking on your knees until you get to him to give him the Bible,

**Marius Pretorius 13:11**

and Mr. Ngubane said well I passed so I did it well,

**Marius Pretorius 13:26**

And if I can get back to my sister that she went into uncle Friedels home,

**Marius Pretorius 13:35**

She didn't go there deciding to go there. He had asked her and requested her to come

**Marius Pretorius 13:47**

he said you know here the mission nobody wants you. Blacks and Whites alike.

**Marius Pretorius 13:54**

but he said you can come to my home. And then my mother was with my sister. He gave them both a room there where they could stay. What caused him to do that. my father just before he passed away,

**Marius Pretorius 14:31**

he said here are my children. I'm leaving them in your hands. Please look after them for me said that to Rev Stegenas well as to uncle Friedel

**Marius Pretorius 15:01**

and that's why he said I'd be guilty if I don't go and fetch her and bring her into my home and even visited her in hospital when she would be so ill because of all the slander that the stories, the slanderous things that were said about her made her so sick that she was even in hospital.

**Marius Pretorius 15:32**

Now it's so sad. That uncle Friedel say some of these things about her.

**Marius Pretorius 15:44**

My sister said I should also speak, what should I say?

**Marius Pretorius 16:02**

because Rev Stegen is still keeping that covenant or that agreement that they promised that he should look after as his own children,

**Marius Pretorius 16:22**

and when he was about to die, about to pass away my father. He said please look after them for me. He knew them. The both of them as being one.

**Marius Pretorius 16:48**

because when this building was also opened, my father also called saying go take two oxen and give it to rev stegen that he can slaughter it for the people.

**Marius Pretorius 17:24**

So my dad, also at Mapumulo bought Rev Stegen a combi and he said I want to say thank you to you that you prayed with me that I could be set free from my alcoholism from my drinking from alcohol. So I want to say thank you. It was the first black person who bought Reverend Stegen a vehicle a combi

**Marius Pretorius 18:00**

and we didn't complain and say dad. How can you spend your money like that? He said, Look, I'm going to pay the installment of this vehicle until it's paid off.

**Marius Pretorius 18:16**

And Uncle Friedel had a wonderful role in the Dube family history

**Marius Pretorius 18:26**

When my dad had to wanted to buy a vehicle. Then he would stand surety at the bank.

**Marius Pretorius 18:43**

Even when my dad bought buses, he would go to the bank and he say, I trust this man. He's faithful. He'll pay it off. But if he doesn't, you can take the money from me. My dad became something through him and because of him

**Marius Pretorius 19:15**

but it's so sad when we have been entrusted to him that he should look after us that he should speak about one of his children as he does

**Marius Pretorius 19:37**

it said when he says beware of Detlef and Ngubane

**Marius Pretorius 19:51**

One wonders. One gets a shock can a person who is so advanced in years speak like that

**Marius Pretorius 20:20**

And then those from Europe say they will no longer support the mission financially. Because the Dube family they are taking the money.

**Marius Pretorius 20:35**

because all they want to take the mission. So that's why they won't support the mission. You know, that's really totally back to front. How can I take over the mission?

**Marius Pretorius 20:55**

And that's why even Ingonyama the king of the Zulus and Mr. Buthelezi they're even asking what's happening at the mission.

**Marius Pretorius 21:09**

And I say now we're hearing stories that you want to capture the mission.

**Marius Pretorius 21:30**

And so she initially tried to just soften it and say no, it's those are just rumors. But eventually she had to come out with who is saying and what is being said because it's even being announced overseas.

**Marius Pretorius 21:50**

Reverend Stegen was called by God to ministry amongst the Zulus

**Marius Pretorius 22:06**

but now Do you see how this politics is working? Now the whole table is to not say no, we blacks we want to captive or capture the mission.

**Marius Pretorius 22:31**

and now we are the bad people we have to be removed my sister is either going to be poisoned or shot because we stand in the way now of financial support for the mission

**Marius Pretorius 22:56**

now they want to have a vote overseas and I think even yeah they really say you know Arno will vote for you

**Marius Pretorius 23:14**

I don't know how he answered them. But when we asked him about it, he said yes, indeed. That's what they said

**Marius Pretorius 23:31**

and I asked my own children I said Are you part of that group of those who have forsaken us that wants to vote

**Marius Pretorius 24:57**

Now, my father they gave him nicknamed other Afrikaners will really be happy because they see he works like a real Afrikaner

**Marius Pretorius 25:09**

When I got to Zululand noth of the Tugele they also gave me a nickname

**Marius Pretorius 25:29**

I say take your your cane knives along. I said let's just go and help him. And I said I'll pay your wages.

**Marius Pretorius 25:41**

And while they were working, I'd cut back from a Eshowe, they called out. They say there is our white man. The the white man said shut up

**Marius Pretorius 25:55**

when he got the he asked. Do do they call you white man? I said yes indeed. I'm a white man. I said my money isn't black, it is white.

**Marius Pretorius 26:29**

so this Englishman invited me to come and have a meal with him in his house

**Marius Pretorius 26:43**

when you at the window when you have to pay

**Marius Pretorius 26:48**

they were busy fixing my tractor

**Marius Pretorius 26:54**

and I did that which my father also used to do when he was still alive. I knocked at the door and I just weny in and he got a fright. He was an Afrikaans man and he said what are you doing?

**Marius Pretorius 27:18**

I said to him, you know money is white. And I paid

**Marius Pretorius 27:33**

were talking we were trying to teach them and help them you know, apartheid doesn't exist

**Marius Pretorius 27:42**

Now apartheid is starting a fresh

**Marius Pretorius 28:12**

And so now that's a story that has spread that you've got to be on your guard against these blacks because they want to capture the mission they want to take over the mission. And this mission that Reverend Stegen started with his brother now they want to take it over they want to take it away from him

**Marius Pretorius 28:42**

Rev Stegen when he started going overseas and preaching there in the 80s and those 90s Because that's the last time that I was there when I observed that they were throwing him and pelting him with tomatoes, Rotten Tomatoes and so on.

**Marius Pretorius 29:08**

and he went with his oldest brother, uncle Friedel, because he trusted him

**Marius Pretorius 29:31**

And their father, uncle Karl, he would weep and cry tears when they would be going overseas because they were going to fly on an aeroplane and he was so afraid of an aeroplane and I think he never got into an aeroplane until his dying day

**Marius Pretorius 29:58**



and when they went come back and relate how God had worked. They'd be rejoicing. When they leave again, they'd be weeping. And that's all that work overseas was planted.

**Marius Pretorius 30:30**

But today when Reverend Stegen would write a letter and say this is how he wants it to be done, then his brother would answer and say, if it would go according to me, then you shouldn't do it like that.

**Marius Pretorius 30:51**

And that's how all of this actually started recently. And when you send another letter, then it will be said now he didn't actually write that letter

**Marius Pretorius 31:23**

And that's amazing because even Paul would write letters to congregations. Never did they allege that those were not from Paul. But when we're when Stegen writes letters, they say even those of the same color. Europeans, even those are German and Swiss and French. They'd say no you didn't write it.

**Marius Pretorius 32:14**

Wake up and be careful even when you grow old like Eli that you do not become blunt. As he became blunt and even if you're not so old yet, don't when you hear anything. Just solid hook line and sinker.

**Marius Pretorius 32:43**

and I want you whites to hear Rev Stegen said when he says this where he wants to apologize for saying this.

**Marius Pretorius 32:56**

He said if a black person says something then the whites don't believe and he said I'm sorry when I say

**Marius Pretorius 33:17**

And then you will if a white person tells you something that person will you will just take it and you will take you this direction that direction any direction

**Marius Pretorius 33:44**

and if you as a bad person say something then they won't accept it even if you say you know let's open this word is found at this passage. And it was and I don't think it's a it's yeah, and then eventually yes okay, but after they've gone in this direction, that direction first

**Marius Pretorius 34:18**

Now, I'm not being political. Yeah, I don't know, apartheid or discrimination. I'm just telling you why. please white brethren, please wake up out of your sleep. And don't just believe everything that anybody tells you

**Marius Pretorius 34:54**

and also God works through those who are low down and insignificant. Those are the people that God very often uses like in the example of Naaman with his leprosy that the servant girl from Israel was

working in their home. And he spoke to Naamans wife and said, you know, if my master could just get to Israel to the Prophet, he'd be able to help him and he'll be healed. He didn't look down upon what the girl said. She took it to heart. Now I'm finishing

**Marius Pretorius 35:47**

And that is why from any mission or the different branches, all of those when anybody comes with something, then rev Stegen says, we need to hear it and we need to examine it and test it to see if it's of God. He doesn't just outright reject it.

**Marius Pretorius 36:07**

And if you bring something to him, you say, Fine, we'll pray about it.

**Marius Pretorius 36:32**

And you also need to learn that you know, we've learned to wait for the answer but you want something right now you want it immediately. But learn from farming when you plant something you sometimes have to wait five years before you get your first harvest. When it comes to spiritual things. You want it immediately.

**Marius Pretorius 37:06**

It's true, as my sister said, the different levels of authority where you take it first to the headman, to the induna he takes it to the chief and then the chief if it says it's too much for him, he can't handle it. He refers it to the king

**Marius Pretorius 37:31**

Now you heard that she's no longer safe life is under threat. They say it's either through poisoning or through being shot.

**Marius Pretorius 37:49**

I say Hear me people

**Marius Pretorius 37:57**

While we are still alive this mission cannot be taken. by God's grace this mission cannot be taken

**Marius Pretorius 38:15**

by the grace of God whilst we still alive this mission will not just be taken.

**Marius Pretorius 38:28**

Now. Please hear me out. When we got here to the mission. There was no electrical lights

**Marius Pretorius 38:52**

We got here, we had to use candles there was nothing there was no infrastructure

**Marius Pretorius 39:14**

so do you hear. I am surprised. all of you just keep quiet. Why?

**Marius Pretorius 39:56**

We started on our knees with Reverend Stegen There are at Mapumulo when this work was started we never in our wildest dreams could imagine that a time like this people who take this work away from Rev Stegen just by voting. Let us pray. Let us sing, sorry

**Marius Pretorius 41:04**

this chorus says. this gospel is covering the whole earth, it's going forth and you are you keeping quiet? What are you doing? What are you saying as this Gospel goes forth to conquer the world

**Marius Pretorius 41:25**

they say they will quench it

**Marius Pretorius 41:30**

but by doing that they just pouring petrol on the fire

**Marius Pretorius 41:38**

they won't get anything right. This is the work of. God is anybody with their own strength can take care and provide for so many people

**Marius Pretorius 42:01**

is anybody besides God you can sustain such a work where so many 1000s are being fetched. And there are a here during the youth conference and are provided for

**Marius Pretorius 42:50**

now why do you keep quiet when we sing the Zulu chorus even if you know isiZulu that chorus says they trying to quench they are doing their best to quench this fire of God and you keep quiet when we sing that

**Marius Pretorius 43:13**

when you get to heaven and they sing there will you just keep your mouth shut? I think they'll cost you out saying how did you get in? Let's pray, we ask You Lord Jesus to be with us.

**Marius Pretorius 43:35**

And now Lord ask as we go out that you will go with us.

**Marius Pretorius 43:43**

Lord we have only shared a part of it. There's so much that we have left unsaid.

**Marius Pretorius 43:54**

and that's why when we go out now we pray that you will be with us. Amen. Amen.

**Marius Pretorius 44:28**

Arno says that it's been given permission is to say something so if we can still bear with it. Thank you.

***Arno Stegen comes to the podium and speaks in English***

**Arno Stegen 44:40**

Thank you very much for still allowing me to say something

**Arno Stegen 44:48**

I want to thank aunt umKhulu for allowing me to say it.

**Arno Stegen 45:11**

don't think it's necessary to still say much

**Arno Stegen 45:19**

you you've heard what has been said

**Arno Stegen 45:26**

I can I just want to ask you and everyone to please forgive me for having failed and sinned in so many ways. If I think of all the damage that has been done to God's work can only humble myself and pray for God's forgiveness and that the whole congregation everywhere will please forgive me if I think of the damage that's been done here. That's been done overseas please forgive me

**Arno Stegen 46:37**

And I can just say it with baba Umfundisi as he said that he is so sad. I think that's how he put it about everything that's happened and I can only say it breaks my heart to think of the damage I have caused.

**Arno Stegen 47:09**

and I thank God for baba Mfundisi for his patience and for his help. I honor him as a man of God and I've experienced him as a man of God even in this time.

**Arno Stegen 47:42**

and can I can only pray that God will bless him.

**Arno Stegen 47:53**

and I honor him for all God has done through him through his ministry and I pray that God will continue to bless him and his work

**Arno Stegen 48:23**

and I want to ask you I've been here a long time work with many people. And I've hurt people the way I've been and I've spoken.

**Arno Stegen 48:47**

Where I haven't had a godly attitude.

**Arno Stegen 48:56**

and I want to ask you to please forgive me, especially those who I've hurt directly and please be free to also remind me of where it's been with you specifically.

**Arno Stegen 49:27**

thank you for bearing with me i I'd sees my heart and I hope I've been able to show you a bit I haven't. I probably have forgotten something. Please remind me if there's something wrong with you to make right with you. And I just want to ask you to please forgive me and to pray for me that God will be gracious to me

**Jabulani Dube 50:05 (Speaking again in Zulu)**

**Marius Pretorius 50:08**

well we wrapped up already but with me there was just something that I'd forgotten

**Marius Pretorius 50:27**

Let's say that my name had also been mentioned and that question hasn't been answered

**Marius Pretorius 50:35**

because Arno went to accuse as before even Rev Stegen

**Marius Pretorius 50:44**

So I heard this

**Marius Pretorius 50:54**

So Dirk read a letter to usmean, he read it and say that we should take some steps. When he says

**Marius Pretorius 51:21**

And I won't say who then said this, but somebody said that Arno and his father and Ralph they're going overseas and uncle Friedel and Ralph they're already there. And Arno will follow soon after

**Marius Pretorius 51:56**

and then I said in that meeting, so Arno, why are you still here because this was written by somebody who had worked for you.

**Marius Pretorius 52:39**

So I say you that are supposed to go? Why are you not going?

**Marius Pretorius 52:50**

we the co workers spoke to Arno

**Marius Pretorius 52:59**

We said why don't you go or go with others with your father to the congregation's overseas and go apologize there.

**Marius Pretorius 53:21**

And now we still waiting for Arno to go but nothing's happening. Or that you should also bring us together to say where he stands.

**Marius Pretorius 53:51**

The example I've been used of baba Mdlalose and Mrs Hlongwane who went with different people to the different congregations to apologize. A couple of years back and say now you should do the same

**Marius Pretorius 54:09**

And maybe to be good that Dietmar accompanies You. We don't know how that got overseas.

**Marius Pretorius 54:22**

but they said if Dietmar would get a there, they would have him arrested

**Marius Pretorius 54:34**

And we said also find out for us please Who is the one who brought that news to them. When we had a meeting that they took those stories over to them.

**Marius Pretorius 54:34**

I will be honest there are some times I'm tanned.

**Marius Pretorius 54:48**

Not that we don't love Arno we really love him. My sister has gone out. She said Arno you like somebody in an A aeroplane. And flying the airplane. You need to get out of that plane while you're up there and we'll catch you but nothing happened.

**Marius Pretorius 55:20**

I don't know some of you many applauding I don't know what you're applauding for

**Marius Pretorius 55:40**

We are not in a circus now. We don't call Reverend Stegen uncle. Because that is according to our it's somebody who is your relative. the brother of your mother,

**Marius Pretorius 56:02**

and we said to Arno about Reverend Stegen even though he is an uncle to you, but you should also know us your spiritual father because he gave birth to a spiritually here are his children. They say Father but when they get born again. Then he is the father twice over the physical father, natural father and also the spiritual father.

**Marius Pretorius 56:50**

but if they only take him in a fleshly way in a human natural way, they'll also have a problem

**Marius Pretorius 57:35**

Brian's flat overseas was taken from him but he still has to pay for it. And so my sister spoke about that. Can we get some money maybe to pay that on his behalf?

**Marius Pretorius 57:50**

when he goes overseas now, oom Jan he doesn't know where to go to he doesn't have a home

**Marius Pretorius 57:58**

And signatures. It's been spoken about signatures that have been forged, et cetera,

**Marius Pretorius 58:09**

and that we just didn't speak about everything in detail because we don't have time and some things we can't speak about because of the children

**Marius Pretorius 58:39**

and so on. Arno we still waiting. There's nothing else. We thought that you'd be overseas already. You'd go and visit the different congregations and apologize until now you haven't done so. Your dad is there and he's speaking and that's why things are as they're

**Marius Pretorius 59:18**

and there are some that you hear now they're going this way they're going that way they take their bags they leaving and some say well you know now we say happy now maybe we can wear the clothing that we want. Our wives can wear pants, they can wear jewelry, earrings and all of that because the mission is going down.

**Marius Pretorius 59:40**

the gospel is going forward nothing will stop it.

**Marius Pretorius 59:49**

And the gift of Reverend Stegen is this that from 1966 until today, people forsake Him and turn their backs on him

**Marius Pretorius 1:00:07**

But pray for us by God's grace we want to be like those trees when they are buffeted by storms and winds. It only makes the roots to grow deeper.

**Marius Pretorius 1:00:20**

We have prayed so we can sing again. And then you can leave