## **Poetry Series**

# Solomon Kobela - poems -

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## 1000 Apologies

Many nights have come and gone
So did the days and
The many hours, minutes and seconds that make up a day
From one day to many more
From first day to yesterday
I didn't tell you
I couldn't,
I was froze, so did my words
Yet like wheat on fertile grounds it matured
To bear fruits only you could relish

I owe you a thousand apologies,
A million minutes
A billion seconds
And many days of 'could have been'
I owe you a hug
For every moment that passed without you knowing
With you wondering
When fall became fallen
Yet puzzled at the latent attitude that dominated

I owe you for the sleepless nights endured
I owe you for the time passed without
I owe you for the little things we could have done
I could have been there
But I wasn't
I could have told you
But I froze
We could have been
Yet I wait

I owe you for the cold goodbyes
For being infatuated yet
Hiding it though unsuccessful
A thousand apologies
A million concerns
Invaluably indebted!
Forgive me,
Forgive me

#### **Addicted**

It begun with a hallo
My way to addiction
An anchor lifted
Set free the boat that headed for deeper waters
And I was Amazed at the sudden changes around me
When Habits surfaced
Good or bad
Whatever they're labeled?
I am addicted

I act on impulse
Lost in my urge
Unable to manage it
It engulfing me I surrender
I shall be dubbed a junky
An addict at a point of no return

Day by day I keep sinking and sinking and sinking Deeper and deeper and deeper Drowning with every ounce of use Just a daily taste of my remedy I am hooked Day by day it grows and grows and grows I feel like overdosing On my Mystique drug of choice Her calm is but her charm? That urge, Has me succumb I am an addict

## **Cryptic Heart**

We tried and tried,
To figure out the truth.
Knowing that genuine feeling,
That sense of belonging
A thirst quenched just by the exceptional
Falling in love
Total bliss

We tried to work out why
Why we fall for the one's that hurt us
Why we most leave earlier than expected
When that wave of love had just ascended
When our throats will then dry
And a need to unearth a pearl would surface

Back and forth we went
Round and about we searched
We would be smitten...
But only for the moment
We would be interested,
Only for a short while
None of it fitted
It was there for the instant
Never to stay,
Never to last
Until you came.

### Diagnosed

Love you are called
For your warm touch
For that hand that just knows when to reach out
That chest we so often use
That sunshine in cloudy days
Love you are
Or so they say

You are infectious to the unwilling
An addiction to those keen
A weakness to the valiant
A fragile yet inspiring gift to the broken heart
A promise to a good tomorrow
A reason to breath
Love you are dubbed,
Or so they say

Men kneel before you
Your mercy they plead
Your blessing they seek
Your truth to keep
Your warm nature to remind them
Love you are,
So I say

I melted before her
Unable to look her in the eyes
Blushing...
She looked cute,
Intimidating cute
I just couldn't help but notice
I have been smitten
It's that obvious
I have the bug
I've been infected.
I am diagnosed
Love

## **Good Morning**

As dawn crept on me
I stood beside my bed
Eyes wide open but absent minded
I am thinking of you

Good Morning
Today I bare my all
To you that has custody of my precious
For you to see my everything
The chains that had weighed heavy on me
The break through since meeting you
The endless smiles I carry with me
I thought it wouldn't last long
This lust of mine
I bare my all

Good morning
To you that holds that special key
I am bitten
I am smitten
I am yours
It was never lust that I felt
I realize now that it is affection
All along it was affection.
Good morning

## Hallo To Goodbye

Knowing you for so long A friend and a father figure to many To me an uncle I've recently learned of For you to be taken away When we had so much to do still So much to talk about Many more hymns to sing In worship and reminiscence For you feared and always remembered your God It is he you put before everything you did It is he you always found direction in It is he who gave you your breath It is he who took that very breath When your body was in aching When you couldn't handle the teary eyes Of those that loved you When their pain was yours tenfold

He sort it wise to take you
Put you close to him
Free you from your pains
Free you from your sleepless nights
And give you eternal life

You heard his voice from afar
You said your goodbye to me
You said you lived your life
You enjoyed it
You had no regrets
And you wished me best on mine
You were sad to know...
You did not want to leave your beloved wife
Nor did you your kids
But still,
He decided,
As he gave
He took
You had to go back home
To HIM!

Just as I said hallo I had to say goodbye

#### I Love A Woman

I love a woman with all of me

I love a woman in great depth

I love a woman and her name is Mystique

I call her that for she ventured deep into my heart

And found hidden away a man fresh of wounds

A good but hurt man

A man sensible and caring

A man full of affection

She found a man...

And I love a woman

i love her for who she is

I love her without knowing how

But i love and loved her from the first day i saw her

I loved her and love her for what i see in her

I love and loved her for how she makes me feel

I love and loved her for the happy moments she brought into my life

I love and loved her for she believed in me

I love a woman

One in particular

I love a woman

Her name is Mystique

I love a woman just for loving her

She loves me too

And I love her more: -\*

I love this woman

## If Only

It feels like time goes by slow I lost a part of me

I lost a lot of you

Im Stuck in a moment

What was and sadly cant be

At times i feel alone. Sometimes i wonder...

When other times i yearn for what could have been

Other times i Lus for what was

and back and forth the feeling swings

Wish i could screem and in that instant get rid of the memories

But they are there haunting or making me smile

The why's and who go about in cycles.

I wanna move on but not wholeheartedly

I wanna go back but i wonder

I wish for many things and yes you are one of them

At times, i wish we never met

For once something so beautifully confuming

Is now furiously combustive on thought

Time heals they say, it feels the other way around to me

And as i sit and ponder over the happenings

I wish not to think nor remember all that was.

If only

If i could i would turn the clock.

Maybe change a few things

Maybe go opposite......

MAYBE,

If only, maybe.....HEAL!

#### **Lost Cause**

#### Lost Cause!

Have you ever looked at someone in their eyes and as you looked tears gathered in yours. You felt complete and you felt an abundance of affection. I used to feel that way

I used to sit and stare at that soft and beautiful smile for hours on end. I was in love. I am in love. They say to see the rainbow you have to deal with the storm. For the few times that our storm gathered our walls remained fortified by our dreams. We let loose our anchor and our boat just slid through the waters at high speed.

Only to run into an iceburg. we crashed and our boat slowly began to sink. We lost hope, we lost our sense of direction. It was a save yourself situation. And in the process we lost us.

I cant be friends. I almost died trying to save us. I cant be friends, i dont know how to after all that we shared. I cant be friends i still love you... and everyday i look at you i still have tears gathering in my eyes. I still love you...but these arent tears from affection. These are tears, of a lost cause!

I spent months waiting for an answer.

Insomnia became a friend. And my bed was a strange and ginomous place. But when i did have the courage to sleep in it, i slept across it. Thoughts....! Longing, pain loneliness emotional i was! Due to disbelieve, i had alot to say about us. But now i have no more words to say

I was a lost cause. I am a lost cause!

#### **Painted Faces**

Pretty smiles on a
Face with dimples on the cheeks
Like a red rose blossom
Fresh, lively and a marvel
In awe of the display
I am lost in the moment of marvel

Moments later
Beyond the smiles
Lay a frown
Ensued by pain
One that wore off that pretty smile
And took the spunk out of you

Deep in the eyes
Tears begun to congregate
All in the name of pain
Yet; you painted your face "happy"

You cry silently and within
You, an introvert with much to say
But your words imprisoned by the thought of re-living the moment(s)
Can't let go?
How do you wish to let go....?
Flawless make-up
And or painted faces

#### **Paralised**

A strong willed lad
Laying dormant on sleigh
Defeated and helpless
He is yet to learn of the still movements he makes
Yes,
They confirmed it....
He is paralyzed

His heart is heavy of emotions
The cause of his paralysis
He awaits the moment of truth
When he can no longer fear to make movement
When his lips would separate
When His heart will ease on liberation of his unspoken words
Yes
His words too,
Are Froze

He seeks a path
One so perfect and flowery
Does fate have such a path?
Or would he have to construct it...
A route to another heart

The wait is taking its toll on his already heavy heart
These emotions are beyond measure
Beyond comprehension
Beyond reason; or doubt
They are after all - the cause of his paralysis

His lips will open
And he will sing his heartfelt song
The lyrics to which are yet unknown
The path he seeks to find,
Has found him
His paralysis will then disown him
He will speak of his heavy heart
Only to free it

Only to unfreeze it To ease it To rid of his paralysis

To rid of his paralysis

## **Poor Fellow**

Innocent smiles
Friends before it all
Before someone got smitten
Before we decided
Boy he should have trusted....
Poor Fellow

You came to him
Pleaded you care
He gave you his heart
You toyed with it
He gave it his all
You said it wasn't enough
You threw it back in his face
Shame, poor fellow
All he got
Undeservedly so
Was a donkey kick in the teeth.

Only once you said you love him
Only once he felt that affection
He had learned to love you
Seems you never did
Poor Fellow
It was only a matter of time

When he would realize that he's given more than enough
When he would realize that the union existed only to benefit the other
When he would realize that weeks went by without being fed emotionally

When he would summon the WILL to call it QUITS

It was only a matter of time when he would realize that:

- -III tore him apart
- - $\ensuremath{\mathbb{L}}$  hat it drove him more and more away from the present
- -That although he tried
- -There's only so much he could do

It was only a matter of time when he would realize that

- -⊞s heart had misled him
- -That it was a " one sided" affair
- -That there was little or no affection

#### THAT HE DESERVES BETTER

Oh dear heart Why did you deceive this poor fellow? Why did you deceive this poor fellow?

#### Power To The Women

Give power to the woman that wakes up at dawn to have her family ready for the day

Give power to that woman that
That fathers her children
To that woman that gave birth to our heroes and heroines
To that woman that molded the good men out there

Give power to that woman that works two jobs to feed their families Give power to that woman that made it in a male dominated industry, Kept her calm and conquered Give power to that woman that rose above all odds

Power to that woman that didn't give up on love after being
Being cheated
Ill treated
Abused
Called names and never appreciated
Power to that woman that loved even though she had never felt loved
To that woman that cared when she was never cared for
When betrayal and hate filled her heart with rage
Poisoned and bitter, she still loved anyhow
Power to that woman, for she is strong
Power to that woman for being a woman

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Power to the women Power to the women!

#### Reborn

The poor fellow's heart had misled him
He was enraged
He wanted to find his peace
He wanted to regain his confidence
He wanted to be;
REBORN
He knew a world of new beginnings existed
It existed outside of his cocoon
A shell he has to shed

But how does he begin to do that
Is there a formula he can apply?
Or is there a magician who can wave his stick to break me free of this....
This shell that prohibits me to feel, care, love, respect and cherish...
How do I rid of these shackles?
To say hallo to a new life

Then Mr. Pen met with lady book
And they soon formed a union
One that is driven by thought
One that is directed by emotion
One that is witnessed by a select few
One that brought meaning and hope
One that brought self-worth and character
One that paved ways to endless smiles
One that brought joy and freedom to the heart
One that gave direction to tomorrow

And through that union
I will learn to care and love
I will learn to honor and cherish
This because I broke free
This because I am
REBORN

## The Fight

Another day another fight I can barely throw a punch I'm tired from this fighting I'm tired

Again the world feels like it turned upside down
It feels like all my troubles decided to gather and infiltrate my inner being
I'm loosing myself in this battle
I'm losing my way in this

Back and forth all seems same
There is no way out
I'm stuck in it
I could scream from the bottom of my lungs
I can kick and fuss all I want I'm stuck in it

It's hard to accept
I want to do things
I want to go places
I want to see things
But my mind is idle in this fight

It's a fierce one,
Blood spat all over
Tears and sweat dripping
Pain and rage I feel,
They could be blinding me
But still
My life will not come to a standstill
I don't wanna allow that
I can't,
I MUST fight on

#### **Unknown**

You were quiet

But your eyes were filled with stories

They were filled with tales of your past

They were filled with

Promises and vows broken

They were filled with the 'no more'

They were filled with the 'I could have'

They are filled with the 'i want' a new life

You said you tired

Tired of the bruses

Tired of sleeping with a bleeding heart

**Angry** 

Tired

Bottled up

You wanna explode but you keeping it in

Having but a Silent dialogue between mind and heart

Crying silently on your own

#### We Decide

Healing is a process
A process that can be long or short
protracted or expedited
We decide...

We decide how long pain will burden us
We decide how long it will limit our eagerness
To give and be given
We decide how long it will stay with us
We decide

Obstacles exist only to test us
They exist to test our love
They exist to test our courage
They exist to test our commitment
Without which we remain fragile
Without which we remain fearful
Without which we remain tethered
We decide what's best for us
We decide

Perhaps we must decide

- That we will allow
- ■hat we will try
- That we will remain but overcome
- That we will progress
- That we will, just maybe, FORGET

I DECIDED!!

## Whispers In The Dark

When the sun retreats to a place unknown
When the moon and the stars grace us with their shine
And the creatures of the night would wonder about
I hear a voice coming from deep in the night
A voice unfamiliar
Yet calm and gracious

I stand in awe yet excited
To see where this voice is coming from
To cast my eyes over this God's sculpture
That has me detained in the moment of anticipation
But that is not to be...
Not this night anyway

Like Moon I am surrounded by stars with different sparkle
But only your whispers seem to stand out
That eagerness to belong
Though amongst roses and pearls
Only you could see
Only you seem fitting
But I can only see you in the distance.
Untouchable yet audible
Just a whisper in the dark!

Your voice echoes in my head
My heart calm yet still keen
My hands itching to clutch onto you
Feeling the warmth of your body
Holding on dearly, and sincerely
An Illusion of hope
For hope, is all I have!
Whispers in the dark!!

#### You Where There

You where there for me
When I was down
When I needed company
When I needed to talk
You where there for me
When nobody was
You where there

You saw something in me
Maybe my weakness
Maybe my stronghold
Whatever it is you saw
Got you drawn closer and closer to my heart
For you where there
And you saw it
When nobody did

Your voice was soothing to the battered heart
Your calm was my sanity through these dark days
That air of mystery you posses seems to be fading
For certain time
I feel I'd known you forever
You where there; when nobody was
For you saw what nobody could
For your voice was medicine to the wounded
Strength to the weak
Hope to the Hopeless

You where there

And I am greatful