

Poetry Series

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Victor Ekpo is a graduate of Physics from the University of Calabar. He first tried to write poems in Secondary School, but never really wrote one until his poem 'On the Lane' in June 2005. One of his poems 'Let it Rain' was published by The Guardian (Newspaper) Life magazine of June 4.

He was editor-in-chief of Physics Press, University of Calabar.

His favourite book is The Roman Solution by Wallace Henley, a 400 page novel. The novel is about how a coal miner's strike crippled the American nation, starting with energy difficulties, alongside sympathy strikes from oil men. Thereafter, there were terrorist attempts, and an impending war, which drove President Pearsson into dictatorship against his wish. Just then, the President's strongest cabinet member is converted to Christianity, resigns, is incarcerated in a detention camp and finally...not telling - read a copy for yourself.

Among his favourite movies are Ever After; Music and Lyrics, and The Pursuit of Happyness.

His role model is Governor Donald Duke of Cross River State (1999-2007) . A man, Victor Ekpo says, is inspiring with a great 'Can-Do' attitude.

Victor has two elder brothers, Ekpo and Ebenezer, and two younger sisters, Glory and Blessing. And they are just five of them. He owns a pet dog, Winas.

Poemhunter is a great place to display his works and also learn from other poets.

Fashion

Encompassing clothing, beauty and style
It emanates from the mind
Viewed physically
And is an expression of an inner beauty.

Be it man or woman
Old or young
For God creating us unique
We can't but create our own version of it.

And though we create it and make it our slave
Yet it tells everyone of our thoughts without seeking our permission
Translating a message everyone well understands
Speaking of it as part of our personality.

Now, we have to be careful of what we create
Our first word for a stranger it is
Spoken so well for eyes to see
This CIA agent is best known by the name, Fashion.

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If Only You Find

Find me a person
With childhood innocence
Youthful exuberance
Adult enterprise
The aged's wisdom

Search the world for
Eyes that can distinguish black from white
Ears that know truth from lies
A nose that aches when it smells bad
A mouth that edifies

I need someone with
A child's love, to enclose me
A youth's strength, to go all the way with me
An adult's stability, to be there when I panic
The aged's patience, to tolerate me always

If u discover one whose
Hands can work
Legs will stay
Body is pure
And whose heart is mine

Then tell her I am on the aisle waiting
If only you find.

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On The Lane

Walking majestically on the lanes of love
I found a beauty that surpassed the sun
A beauty that shone from in and out
And its beauty could easily be too bright to behold.

I found myself under a shade
A shade that only God could have provided
And from there could view this beauty
This beauty of love, peace and hope.

I now know this beauty is mine
What God proposes is what is here
I fully wish you agree to stay here with me
In this light of your beauty

We would make a happy pair
A fruitful and prosperous one
I promise you my all and hope you do
And I know this love will never part

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Reflections In You

As the moon reflects the light of the sun
And the mirror the light in you
So do you reflect the light of life

As the flowers blend their hue
And the birds their voices
So do your smiles my day

And just like Maria, when I am sad
I simply remember my favourite things -
You, your world and our world together

You sound like sweet music
You look like the ever-pretty Cinderella
You bloom with life like the lilies

There exist a double part of you
A firm and assertive heart
And a soft and tender soul

You make yesterday look glorious
Today cherishable
And tomorrow a delight to wait for

You are as beautiful as Calabar
As industrious as Lagos
And as rich as Port Harcourt

Little wonder, they call you 'Annette.'

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The Indispensables

Friends, a strong shoulder they offer
When awful emotions overwhelm you
And tears are the best you can shed

A confident hand they lend
When disappointment is your cake
And discouragement simply envelopes you

Friends, what a sweet voice to hear
When disaster strikes
And the feeling of dejection sneaks in

Can you feel the love
When accomplishment is here
And that faithful one just smiles in

Oh, my (friend)
How empty I'll be without you
I need you!

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The World Spins On

The world continues in an ellipse
Revolving slower, faster and still on
With the same forces acting -
Pulling and pushing in like fashion

Seasons change as it goes
Clouds more often than sunshine
Rain though only for a while
And sun for the rest of each day

The world continues in an ellipse
With the sun at one foci
Supplying energy at all times
To all latitudes and longitudes

The world spins as it goes
Day, night taking turns
Both almost equal in time
One lengthening at different seasons

The world revolves like our lives
With rain, clouds and sunshine
We making hay while the sun shines
And saving for the rainy day

Every season we may complain
Of soil or yield
Thorns or labour tools
Each season bringing its challenges

Seldom we experience an eclipse
With effect darker than the night
Thick enough for everyone to see
But lasting only for a splint second

Yet our lives continue to spin like the world
The gains during youth
Determine the rest in retirement
Knowing our lives must spin on.

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