



"Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps."

(Psalm 85/10-13)

November 2017 and the shaking of the foundations ...

Tens of thousands of jubilant Zimbabweans on the streets, demanding change.

Ecstatic crowds – divisions forgotten – strangers embracing, tears of joy and hope-filled expectation for the end of 37 years of paralysing, despotic rule ...

The shaking of the foundations – or was it? Was it after all only an illusion: no more than the old guard changing the guard, putting a new face in the tired old frame?



THE SHAKING OF THE FOUNDATIONS

Lord, let your Church in Zimbabwe speak to this hunger for change, this deep longing for something better, revealed in a flash when the cloud of fear lifted for a moment.

Across the length and breadth of the beloved, beleaguered, country let the prophetic word be heard, proclaiming freedom and justice for all under servant leaders...

Lord, may your Church, itself transformed, be an agent of your transforming grace within the nation.

Fashion your people for that radical change, Lord, and energise them with your Spirit of truth and love.

By your grace may your people be both a sign of the kingdom breaking in and midwife to that new birth.

Amen

