

International guest speaker, Business and Life Strategist, celebrated author, Philanthropy Consultant, Rooney International Scholar, United Nations Speaker, TEDx Speaker and Wellington, New Zealand Rotary Member - Getrude Matshe



Watch the TEDx Video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzlyOtusDxE>

Read her Huffington Post articles <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/getrude-matshe/>

Getrude Matshe is an inspirational speaker who has been described as a vibrant bundle of African energy whose zest and passion for life inspires everyone she meets. She is passionate about helping people achieve their full potential and find their individual life purpose. She is passionate about individuals' success. This makes her an energetic, inspirational and enlightening speaker. Getrude has written several books and is now a book writing coach.

About Getrude Matshe

Her speaking career started in Norway 1989 and for 12 years she has worked in the IT industry as a Systems Analyst, Systems Support Manager and Project Manager. Getrude immigrated to New Zealand in 2001 with nothing and is now the Director of three successful companies.

- She started Medical Recruiters of New Zealand Ltd
- GM Global Investments Ltd (Property)
- As an owner she formed Simzisani Ltd, a talent agency catering for the film and advertising industry and has been instrumental in supplying ethnic extras for prominent movies such as Peter Jackson's "King Kong" and James Cameron's Avatar
- She is the founder and CEO of the Africa Alive Education Foundation, an organization that supports HIV orphans in Zimbabwe
- She formed Walk on the Wild Side Tours – a symbiotic tourism company that takes tourist to Zimbabwe to work with HIV and Aids orphans
- She is married and the mother of three children and a well known African Storyteller, poet, artist and published author.

- She a screenplay writer
- Independent Film and documentary maker
- She writes for CNN iReport - <http://ireport.cnn.com/docs/DOC-946671?ref=email>
- Getrude Blogs for the Huffington Post - <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/getrude-matshe/>
- 15th March 2014 Getrude was a speaker at the UN Annual Summit on the Status of Women and children
- Getrude supports and volunteers for :-
 - The John Fawcett foundation in Bali Indonesia
 - Mustard Seed Orphanage in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe
 - The Ubuntu Africa foundation in Cape Town, South Africa
 - Ujamaa Children's Home in Arusha, Tanzania
 - Global Camps Africa in Johannesburg, South Africa

Getrude is a dynamic entrepreneur who has started life in a new country and who has proved that anything is possible if you have a purpose.

Testimonials

"Be prepared to lose yourself in a story, so inspiring, so sad - yet at times so hilarious, and so completely refreshing. Getrude has the unique gift of universal connection. She is the real thing - not some lukewarm nice speaker who gives you an 8 out of 10. She will rock you beyond your boundaries and open you up to what is really possible if you choose the brand of courage she wields. Settle in for the ride!" - Peter Barr-Thomson, MCC, 2009 ICF

"Every now and then in our lives, we come across a person who is inspirational, who shines above others and leads the way, who captures our hearts and our minds - Getrude is one of those people." – Wellington Mayor Kerry Prendergast

"Getrude is an amazing woman, she is just a light bulb for good in the world. She has absolute and total integrity and she is a woman of deep profound spiritual essence." – Mark Victor Hansen, Co-author Chicken Soup of the Soul

"When it comes to giving, Getrude is an excellent role model and is into a good cause. I think that anyone who gives has an opportunity to give and support her cause". – Bob Proctor – The Secret

"It is my joy to support Getrude and the entire Agape International Spiritual Community love and support the tremendous work she is doing in Africa to uplift humankind. Her cause is calling us all to embrace the children affected by Aids, and calls on us to step up and be the best that we can possibly be." – Rev Michael Bernard Beckwith, The Secret, Agape International Spiritual Center

Watch Getrude speak:

- TVNZ Good Morning Show - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NfUDgavhiYU>
- Akasha – Palladium Theatre London <http://youtu.be/Vhi1p7QhYq8>
- Hastings District Council – 2009 <http://youtu.be/bwK3aoYxmxE>
- New Zealand Dairy Farmers Conference – Invercargill 2006 <http://youtu.be/nMFJ-xWllg>
- One Cup of Coffee - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZvsX2Kvvg40>
- Utah Cultural Celebration Center - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o_0BCOKNYA
- Wellington City Council – Cross Overs Exhibition – Poem “Beloved Africa”
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hSOWumDvalk>