



SACKCLOTH & BEADS



THE STORY OF A KENYAN WOMAN - AGNES NDETEI

I AM LOOKING AT THIS NATION AS ONE NATION - BY WEARING WHAT I AM WEARING, I HAVE HUMBLING MYSELF, AND AM HUMBLING MYSELF IN FRONT OF GOD. I WANT GOD TO FORGIVE US. I WANT PEOPLE TO SIT DOWN AND TALK TOGETHER, FOR LEADERS TO SIT DOWN, TO MAKE DIALOGUE AND PUT MATTERS RIGHT. I BELIEVE THAT KENYANS ARE ONE THING - THAT RAILA [ODINGA] CAN CRY FOR A KIKUYU WHO IS DEAD AND KIBAKI CAN CRY FOR A LUO WHO IS DEAD AND I WANT THEM TO BE ABLE TO SIT TOGETHER.

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1:30 - 3:30 PM

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THE HONOURABLE AGNES MUTINDI NDETEI, FORMER **ASSISTANT MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND KIBWEZI MP** IS THE FOUNDER OF THE NGO **SOLACE SELF HELP**. SHE WILL SHARE A FIRST HAND ACCOUNT OF RECENT EVENTS IN KENYA. MS. NDETEI IS A PART OF KENYA'S BURGEONING PEACE MOVEMENT, **SACKCLOTH AND BEADS** – ([HTTP://NEWS.BBC.CO.UK/2/HI/AFRICA/7203115.STM](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/afrika/7203115.stm)).

CURRENTLY, IN HER **KIBWEZI REGION**, AGNES IS WORKING WITH HER PEOPLE TO PULL THE LAND AND ITS PEOPLE OUT OF DEEP **DEFORESTATION** AND **POVERTY** BY WORKING WITH OTHERS TO **PLANT TREES** AND **DIG WELLS**. A **DRAUGHT OF SEVERAL YEARS** HAS LEFT THE KIBWEZI REGION INHABITANTS **POOR** AND OFTEN **HUNGRY**.

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