

KIMPA VITA, THE SACRIFICE OF A KONGO SAINT.

Under the awakening brought by Mama Mafuta, several groups emerged which were acting for the Kongo with great will and commitment. Every day, a light came down and lit up the people in the places of prayer. Many people inhabited by spirits entered into a trance and began to prophesy.

In one of these prayer groups was a young girl named Vita Kimpa. Her father and mother were Catholic Christians from Kintuadi Saint Anthony parish. In her childhood, Yaya Vita Kimpa prayed with her parents in the said parish where they were called the children of Saint Anthony.

The children of St. Anthony began to pray for the Kongo in their parish since the emergence of the groups that were praying for the Kongo. The Catholic priests were very angry and had forbidden these prayers in the parish of Saint Anthony.

Yaya Vita Kimpa and her other friends, girls and boys, decided to leave the Catholic parish to create an independent group to pray for the future of the country. Even if they had left the Catholic parish, all those who witnessed the will and commitment they showed when they were at Saint Anthony continued to call them the children of Saint Anthony. Yaya Vita Kimpa was very committed to praying for her country. During a prayer session, the Holy Spirit descended on her, she began to tremble and entered into a trance. From that day on, she began to prophesy during the group's prayer sessions.

One day, Yaya Vita Kimpa fell ill. She was treated but could not be cured. She died and went to the invisible world (Simu Kongo) in Mpemba Kalunga (Holy Place), to Masa in the Holy City where the ancestors (Bambutu) went. During this stay in the invisible world, she was given a mission by the ancestors of the Kongo Mystical Conclave who work to fulfill the will of the Almighty God (Nzambi'a Mpungu) in Kongo and in heaven. Here is the mission that was entrusted to Yaya Vita Kimpa in the name of the Almighty God (Nzambi'a Mpungu), by a great Kongo Being, an Archangel of the Kongo :

1. To awaken all the Bakongo and ask them to restore the harmony between all the children of the Kongo, i.e. the descendants of the Nsaku, Mpanzu and Nzinga ancestors, because the Mystical Conclave of the Kongo wanted the Bakongo to be united in flesh and spirit like the hair of a dog.
2. To ensure that the Bakongo can rebuild the city of Mbanza Kongo.
3. To bring together all the members of the National Assembly (Mfula Kazi) and those of the Senate (Mpemba Kazi) in Mbanza Kongo who will then have to appoint a new king to rule all the Bakongo.
4. To guide the Bakongo so that they will stop worshipping and praying to foreign gods and to take up again the Kongo religion throughout the Bakongo country.
5. To make it clear to the Bakongo that the regions of Kongo are inseparable because everything that the Almighty God (Nzambi'a Mpungu) has united for the Kongo people cannot be divided by anyone, that is, a single people, a single country, a single power (a single authority) and a single policy.
6. To teach the Bakongo that it is not the Catholic priests who must enthrone kings in Kongo because this responsibility belongs to the High Priest of the Kongo religion, only he can do it and must do it in the name of the Almighty God (Nzambi'a Mpungu), of the Great Beings of the country and the ancestors of the Kongo Mystical Conclave.

It is a certainty, Yaya Vita Kimpa was indeed dead and went for three days to the invisible world to be entrusted with the mission in Kasa (Masa). On the third day, when they wanted to bury her, she rose from the dead, everyone was amazed, Mama Vita Kimpa began to teach all those who came to attend her funeral. Returning home, they brought and spread the news of Yaya Vita Kimpa who died and rose from the dead after three days.

Several people came to see Yaya Vita Kimpa because they really wanted to listen with their own ears to the words of the one who had died and risen. To all those who came to see her, Yaya Vita Kimpa taught everything that the Mystical Conclave of Kongo entrusted her with as a mission. A great wind of awakening blew in the Federal Union of Kongo, the men and women returned to Kongo spirituality and began to follow Yaya Vita Kimpa.

After teaching them, she asked them to organize awakening meetings in the regions and villages of Kongo. She went with her group to the mountain of the Federal Union of Kongo, she chose this mountain to rebuild Mbanza Kongo. Mama Mafuta, then 75 years old, arrived on the mountain of Nkumba Ngudi where she met Yaya Vita Kimpa, 21 years old, and decided to merge her group with her own. Yaya Vita Kimpa was given the responsibility of leading the new group that was to rebuild Mbanza Kongo.

From that moment on, Yaya Vita Kimpa preached in Mbanza Kongo. All those who were informed of her works came to Mbanza Kongo on the mountain to follow her teachings and then went down to spread the message in the villages. For those who accepted her message, Yaya Vita Kimpa built houses so that everyone would now reside in Mbanza Kongo. In a very short time, Mbanza Kongo was filled with houses built of raw clay, stone and bricks.

The success of Yaya Vita Kimpa aroused hatred and jealousy among white Catholic priests. They began to mock and insult her in their churches. These Catholic priests were circulating in the villages to force the chiefs to forbid the population to follow and implement the teachings of Yaya Vita Kimpa. The Kongo people became angry, turned against them, began to drive the whites out of their villages, dig up and throw away the crosses and statues of the Catholics and then began to reject the baptism and blessings of the Catholic priests. Henceforth, during their visits to villages, Catholic priests were accompanied by soldiers armed with firearms, their mission was to kill all those who refused to let them baptize their children.

One day, Father Lorenzo da Lucca sent his soldiers to the forest where they immediately arrested Yaya Lubondo and then hung her on the cross.

Why or for what reason ?

According to Father Lorenzo, she was a fetishist.

But Mama Lubondo's answer was : I had refused that this white man could baptize my son, that's why he sent soldiers to arrest me in the middle of the forest and bring me to this village to crucify me.

After the construction of Mbanza Kongo, Yaya Vita Kimpa sent her followers to Kibangu and Bula to transmit the message of the ancestors of the Kongo Mystical Conclave to Ndo Mpetelo and Ndo Nzuawu and then invite them to Mbanza Kongo. Ndo Mpetelo and Ndo Nzuawu accepted Mama Vita Kimpa's invitation and promised to go to Mbanza Kongo. But under the influence and intoxication of the white Catholic priests, they changed their minds. Shortly afterwards, Yaya Vita Kimpa went to Bula and Kibangu herself, where she managed to recover the royal insignia and bring them back to Mbanza Kongo.

When he handed over the royal insignia to Yaya Vita Kimpa, Ndo Mpetelo decided to leave the mountain of Kibangu to return to Divululu, his own village, but the Catholic priests followed him and forced him to return to Kibangu and recover his power. It was on this occasion that they will eventually build a royal palace for him in Divululu.

In the month of May of 1706, Yaya Vita Kimpa and her followers made a long journey back and forth on foot from Mbanza Kongo to Mbanza Soyo. They organized a great awakening campaign that stirred up the whole Soyo region.

Back in Mbanza Kongo, Yaya Vita Kimpa organized a meeting of 72 men, Notables Bakongo, from the various regions of Kongo who had accepted her message. During the said meeting, it was decided that a new king should be chosen at the end of 1706. This choice was to be made under the coordination of Yaya Vita Kimpa. So, all Bakongo politicians who aspired to become king had six months to register with Yaya Vita Kimpa.

The strength of this meeting urged Yaya Vita Kimpa and her followers to go to Pendele, in the forest, for a retreat but also to fast for 40 days in order to pray for the country and so that the choice of the new king planned for the end of the year would be made in good conditions.

While they were in the Pendele forest to pray and fast, the Portuguese soldiers surrounded them and on the orders of Father Lorenzo de Lucca, they arrested Yaya Vita Kimpa and murdered all those who were with her. To avoid any revolt by the Bakongo on the way back, the Portuguese hid Yaya Vita Kimpa in the forest during the day and walked with her only at night. They arrived at the royal palace of Ndo Mpetelo in Divululu where Yaya Vita Kimpa was tried by a court presided over by Fathers Lorenzo da Lucca and Berdado da Gallo. They demanded that Yaya Vita Kimpa ask the Bakongo to return to the Catholic Church. Vita Kimpa, they told her, if you agree tomorrow to stand up before the Kongo people and ask them to return to the Catholic Church because the message of the Bukongo you taught is falsehood, we will forgive you, clear you and release you. But if you try to refuse, we'll kill you, burn you alive. What do you think of that?

To the question, Yaya Vita Kimpa refused to answer.

Furious, the Catholic priests went mad and began to torture her seriously and then asked her the same question again, but Yaya Vita Kimpa still refused to answer.

Under strong anger, Father Lorenzo ordered his soldiers to torture her again. When she decided to speak out, she said this to the Catholic Priests :

"Momo ma yawa kua Muela Kongo i mono mpe yasongele kua Nkangu'a Kongo mu malongi mame mamo. I yandi kibeni Muela Kongo watuma vo: Wenda wasikemesa Nkangu. Wenda wazibula Nkangu meso. Wenda wabalonga mamo ma yakusongele mu sadila. Wenda wavutuka tungisa Mbanza Kongo vana mbat'a mongo wa KONGO DIA NTOTELA, ye engua kua Ndiona una kolamana lutumu lualu ye lembua sadila malongi maku ma mpulusu. Mamo ma yalongele i kieleka kiatukidi kua Muela Kongo idina, ka dilendi lendakana kua mono nkutu ko mu bangisa mo buabu.

Vo i mu diambu dia nzengolo ya lufua yena yeno mu mintima, ka ngiena wonga ko. Ntambudidi lufua mu diambu dia mpulusu a Kongo dia Bakulu bame. Kadi disundidi mbote kua mono mu fua, kansi ka mavova mpova yimosi nkutu ko yilenda fuasa kisalu kianene kiyasedi ku Kongo. Ngieti tambula fua, ka mu diambu dia masumu mane ko, kadi mamo ma

luamfundidi mena maluvunu, Kansi ngieti fua, kadi lolo i luzolo lua Ntantu miame, mu diambu dia mpulusu a Kongo dieto ye Nkangu'eto wa Kongo. I nitu'ame kaka luna vonda, kansi mono kibeni ka luna lenda kumvonda nkutu ko, kadi Tata Nzambi'a Mpungu i Mpeve. Mono muan'andi mpe ngiena Mpeve yakala, yena, ye yina kala. Nitu'ame i mvuatu ame kaka. Nitu'ame yakinsuni i ntoto wampamba. Lulenda yo vonda mpe, ka ngienina nitu yayi ngindu ko. Nitu zankaka zampila mu mpila zena yame.

N'silulu za tata Nzambi'a Mpungu zena yeto vo si kabuisa nsi zazo zina zoma Kongo, ye sakumuna bakundi babo ba Kongo mu nza yamvimba. Bakongo babingi luamene vonda mu nsi yayi ya Kongo. Mfuka yanene yena yeno va ntadisi a Kongo diadi di luzolele tatamana bunga ye kakidila mu vutuka yonzama. Ngieti dio vutukila nkumbu tatu, vo mfuka yanene yena yeno. Ka luna lemvokelua nkutu ko, vo ka lufutidi yo ko.

Mbuetete yambuaki yeti seloka ku Azia buabu. Mbuetete yankaka yeti seloka ku Kiselo kia Mbanza Kongo mpe. Nkosi yambakala yeti samba ku Kongo dia Luangu.

Ntangu kua diaka kanda dieno dia mputu dina vutuka sa va ntoto wau wuveno kua Balunungu?

Nkumbu'a yenge kia Klisto luanata ku Kongo, kansi taleno mbutu mia mavanga meno mu nsi yayi ya Kongo !

Bantu babingi luamene pupika mu nsi yayi. Moko meno mena mambuaki mu menga makondolo bila ma babingi na bingi ba luamene vonda mu Kongo diadi.

Nitu'ame mpe buabu si luavonda yo, kansi, tomeno dio zaya vo Ntemo wa Mbuetete yiyamene kulumuna ku Kongo dina vutuka zima ko mbandu ka mbandu, nateye Kongo dina vutuka kituka Kongo. Luzaya dio vo Tombe kia mavanga meno kimene fundusua buabu, ye vo Kongo diampa dina kala nsi ya Kinzambi beni. Kansi, mu diambu dia mavanga meno mambi, fulu kia Nganga Nzambi zanzenza ka kina kala mu Kongo diadi nkutu ko..."

English translation:

"What I heard from Muela Kongo (Kongo Mystical Conclave) is what I taught the Kongo People in all my teachings. It was Muela Kongo himself who ordered this : "Go awaken the People, go and raise their awareness, teach them everything I have taught you that the People must apply, rebuild Mbanza Kongo as the capital of KONGO DIA NTOTELA, and woe betide anyone who dares to disobey this order or refuse to apply your salutary teachings". All I have taught is the strict truth from Muela Kongo, which is why it is impossible for me to contradict it now".

As for the death sentence you're thinking of, I am not afraid of it. I accept death for the liberation of the Kongo of my Ancestors, because I would rather die than say something that will destroy all the great work I have done at the Kongo. I accept death, not for my supposed sins, because everything you accuse me of is false, but I accept to die because it is the will of my enemies, for the liberation of our country and the salvation of our Kongo People. It is only my body that you will kill, but you will never succeed in killing me, because our Father Nzambi'a Mpungu (Almighty God) is Spirit and I who am his daughter, I am also Spirit, who was, who is and who will be, my body is just a simple wrapper. My present physical body is only dust, you can kill it, I don't give a damn, because I have a multitude of others and all kinds.

We have the promises of our Almighty God that he will destroy all countries that will harm his Kongo, and that he will bless all the friends of the Kongo throughout the world. You have killed many Bakongo in this country, you have accumulated a huge debt to this Kongo which you want to continue to disintegrate and to whom you forbid any return to unity. I repeat to you three times, you have already accumulated a large debt and you will never be forgiven until you have paid it.

A red star is currently shining in Asia, another star is shining in the sky of Mbanza Kongo and a male lion is roaring in the province of Kongo dia Luangu.

How many more times will you Europeans still come to do what you are doing on this land that has been attributed to us by Heavenly Justice ?

You have brought the name of Christ, which symbolizes peace, to the Kongo, but look at the result of your actions in this Kongo country !

You have succeeded in murdering many people in this country, your hands are red with the blood of so many more innocent people that you have killed for no reason in this Kongo country.

You will now kill my body, but know well that the light of the Star that I sent down to the Kongo will never go out, from generation to generation, until the Kongo regains its original unity. Know that the cruelty of your actions is already the subject of several complaints to the Heavenly Justice and that the new Kongo will be a country scrupulously subject to the divine law, also, because of your detestable behavior, it is not even conceivable that foreign missionaries could be admitted there...".

Maniema 47: 46-69

Makaba 95: 46-69

When they heard these words filled with both anger and sadness, Fathers Lorenzo da Lucca and Bernado da Gallo wept tears. They started torturing Yaya Vita Kimpa again with the thorny woods they used to warm themselves up because it was very cold. Exhausted for hitting her too hard, they ordered their soldiers to take over. Yaya Vita Kimpa's face swelled and she was disfigured, her clothes were all red, covered with blood.

During the same night, Father Lorenzo da Lucca asked all Bakongo Christians in the surrounding villages to bring a large quantity of wood in front of the royal palace of Ndo Mpetelo. Under the orders of the White Catholic Priests, the Bakongo Catholic Christians delivered a large quantity of wood that foreigners would use to kill and burn their own sister alive.

Mercy ! Because that day in the night, Yaya Vita Kimpa saw several God messengers to the Kongo, those who preceded her and those who will follow, until even seeing a big lion standing on the other side of the Kongo of Luangu. After all she saw with her own eyes, her heart was filled with joy and tranquility.

Under this great joy and satisfaction to see the image of this future new Kongo taking shape, Yaya Vita Kimpa expressed herself in these terms :

"Mbuete ya Nsilulu yikumukini ku Kongo !

Idina bantu bakele mu Tombe bamuene Ntemo wanene.

Bobo bakele mu Buangala buamuene Kieleka mu Nzila Kongo.

Bantu bakele nkole za wonga beka makesa.

Idina Ntantu mia Kongo mieka wonga !

Inga Ntantu mia Kanda dia Kongo mieti zakama ! Kadi mameme mankento ma Kongo mamene kituka Nkosi zambakala mu mvit'a mpulusu a Kongo.

Kadi Sabala kia Tiya kia Mbuete ya Nsilulu kimene belesa Ntantu mieto ku Kongo !

Kadi kisalu kia Nlongi'a Kongo kimene buta ndandu mu yinza dia Mfumu'eto Ne Muanda Kongo.

I dina bika Muel'ame wasika Mfumu !"

English translation:

"The Star of Promise has come down on the Kongo !

This is how the people who were in the darkness saw a great light.

Those who were immersed in lies found the truth in the Kongo Mystique.

Those who were slaves to fear became valiant soldiers.

That's why the Kongo's enemies are afraid !

Yes, the enemies of the Kongo people are trembling with fear because the Kongo's sheep have turned into lions for the war for the liberation of the Kongo.

For the fire sword of the Star of Promise has just defeated the enemies of the Kongo !

For the work of Nlongi'a Kongo (Teacher of the Kongo Mystique) has just produced its effects in the country of our Lord Ne Muanda Kongo (Supreme Being).

Then let my soul rest, Lord! "

Maniema 47: 75-76

Makaba 95: 75-76

On 02/07/1706, under the orders of the White Catholic Priests, the wood delivered by the Bakongo Catholic Christians were used to light a big fire. The soldiers who were at Father Lorenzo da Lucca's disposal took Yaya Vita Kimpa, lifted her up and threw her into the fire.

In the middle of the fire, Yaya Vita Kimpa implored the Lord Jesus to accuse the Whites.

She said this :

"Yesu, Yesu, Yesu ! Tala mavanga ma ba mindele banata nkumbu'aku ku Kongo, ba mindele bawu vo I ngeye Mfumu Yesu wena Mfumu'awu, ye vo i ngeye wabatuma mu kuiza tengola menga ma Bana ba Kongo !"

English translation:

"Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! Look at the behavior of the Whites who brought your name to the Kongo ! They claim that it is you, Lord Jesus, who are their Master, that it is you who sent them to come and shed the blood of the Kongo Children ! "

After these words, the light-filled soul of Yaya Vita Kimpa came out of her physical body and immediately surrounded the fire. This soul ascended to heaven under a great swirl of light.

Yaya Vita Kimpa's voice was heard and resounded in the heart of this light while saying :
"Muela Kongo, Muela Kongo !
Bana ba Kongo bena moyo !
Mamo malungane! malungane! malungane!"

English translation:

Mystical Conclave of the Kongo, Mystical Conclave of the Kongo !
The children of Kongo are alive !
Everything is fulfilled, fulfilled, fulfilled ! Ingeta! Ibobo, Ibobo!

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