

Questionnaire: A guide to telling your story through the perspective of courage.

A: You- A biographical background about who you are:

Name_____Age:_____Country:_____

Marital Status_____ Education Level_____Occupation_____

Phone Number_____Email Address_____

Website (If Applicable)_____

B: Your Story- At the beginning, when things feel out of place, when all is not right, everything is working against your expectations and you know in your heart that things can no longer remain the same, the push to change status quo propels you to challenge the systems and the people that oppress you. This section seeks to learn more about you, the factors that led to your stepping out and how your courageous stepping into action has changed how issues are tackled. Talk about the specific issue that you were battling with; where you found the most resistance, how you over came the challenges and pitfalls, who your allies were and who your biggest opponents were; what kept you going in the face of all the pain, and or challenges?

a) Please tell us about yourself: - Your passions, your ambitions and your dreams

b) What challenges have you faced with your family, society and the nation and which define your struggle

c) Have you been able to overcome them? If yes please explain, if no please explain.

Let the readers understand what you went through and how you found a solution. If your issue is still unresolved, please state as much and what you intend to do to see your battle through.

C)Your Society– As women, societal norms and expectations dictate how we live and thrive in community. In most cases, these norms and expectations are set up in such a way that favours men and disenfranchises women. In this section, we seek to understand your context in reference to your story.

- a) What do you understand by the word patriarchy?
- b) What has been your experience of its systems, structures and or norms?
- c) What do you think are the causes and effects of patriarchy in your society that contributed to your story?
- d) What role have you played in society as a woman to change how women are viewed and treated in society?

D) Your Parting Shot

- a) What is your dream for the African Woman?