

“God is strong, and he wants you strong. So take everything the Master has set out for you”

Ephesians 6:10-12 (MSG)

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DEAR FRIENDS,

It is with great joy and anticipation that I invite you to Luminous Women's Conference 2025.

This year's theme, Stand Firm, is about holding on to the truths that anchor us, truths for ourselves, our families, and our communities. It's a time to grow, stand in prayer, encourage one another, and be reminded that we are never alone.

I want to encourage you: no matter what season you're in, God has given you the strength to stand. Whether you feel weary or uncertain, or ready to take new ground, God is calling you to a deeper place of trust in him.

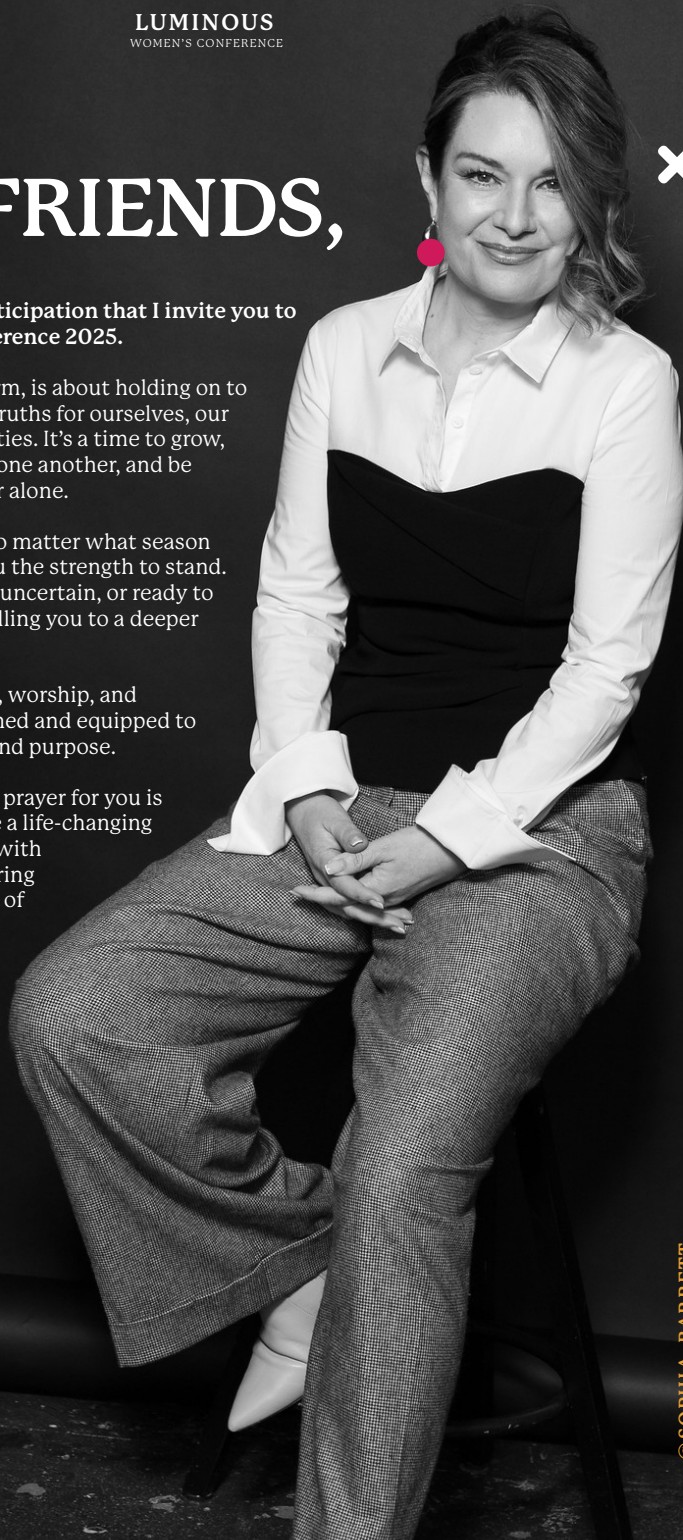
Through powerful teaching, worship, and sisterhood, you'll be refreshed and equipped to stand strong in your faith and purpose.

As your sister in Christ, my prayer for you is that this conference will be a life-changing experience. May you leave with renewed strength, unwavering confidence, and a heart full of expectation of what God is doing in you and through you.

I can't wait to see you there! Get ready—God is about to move in an incredible way!

With love and excitement,

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PASTOR CHI CHI BISMARK



We are so excited to have Pastor Chi Chi Bismark at Luminous Conference this year. Co-founder of Jabula New Life Ministries International and co-pastor of New Life Covenant Church in Harare, Zimbabwe.

Anointed in the areas of sound biblical teaching, intercessory prayer and kingdom finance, she, along with her husband Bishop Bismark, has grown their assembly in Harare into a force of faith and power for

the Kingdom of God.

Her sincere heart for people and her desire for the manifestation of the power of the Word of God on the Earth have positioned her as a credible minister in her own right.

Pastor Chi Chi has a pure passion for the growth and empowerment of women. She will minister to your present need, challenge your boundaries and encourage your faith as only a mother can.

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We are delighted to announce that Elle Limebear will be a part of both Luminous Conferences this year, leading us in worship during one of the sessions.

Elle Limebear is a British worship leader, artist and storyteller, residing in Brighton with her husband Tom and their 2 children.

Elle has been writing music and leading worship since her teenage years. After spending over a decade touring across the USA and Europe, she remains

deeply connected to her British roots. Passionate about enriching the musical faith landscape in her homeland, she is determined to make a unique and lasting impact on both the British and global music scenes.

Shaped by personal growth, marriage, and motherhood, Elle Limebear has emerged as a confident artist with a fearless pursuit of joy. Her music blends powerful, ethereal vocals with electric and alternative pop, guiding listeners through life's highs and lows.

PROGRAMME

FRIDAY

5:00 pm: Registration
7:30 pm: Session 1
9:30 pm: After Party

SATURDAY

9:30 am : Session 2
11:00 am: Break
11:30 am: Session 3
1:00 pm : Lunch
3:00 pm: Session 4
4:30 pm: Break
5:00 pm: Session 5

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WHAT TO BRING

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|  <u>Bible</u> |  <u>Water bottle</u> |
|  <u>Notebook</u> |  <u>Umbrella</u> |
|  <u>Pens</u> |  <u>Mints/Gum</u> |
|  <u>Highlighters</u> |  <u>Snacks</u> |



GETTING TO KNOW CHI CHI BISMARK?

Could you share your journey of faith, and how you found your relationship with Jesus?

I was born into Catholicism, but my grandmother, a Jehovah's Witness, lived with us for a few years and influenced me. She prayed daily, and I began to question my Catholic upbringing. At 12, I started exploring other faiths, attending Jehovah's Witness meetings, but had trouble with their doctrine. I also explored other paths, including Seventh-day Adventism, Transcendental Meditation, and yoga, searching for a deeper connection to God. Despite the external influences, something didn't feel right, and my mother even thought I was struggling with mental health due to the questions I asked.

Eventually, I discovered a Pentecostal church, and when I heard about God's deep love for humanity, something clicked in my heart. At 16, I gave my life to Christ and was baptised at 17. Shortly after, I met my husband, who was involved in the church's music ministry. This was a pivotal moment in my journey, and I felt I had finally found what I had been searching for.

How did you get involved in ministry?

At 17, shortly after my baptism, I was asked to teach Sunday school. It was nerve-wracking—my first time speaking publicly—but I grew comfortable with time. I created the lesson programs and began to immerse myself in ministry. Through this role, I also joined the church

choir, despite not being able to sing! It was through these experiences that I got to know Bishop Tudor, who led the choir.

What circumstances led to you starting to preach and get involved in ministry?

After we got married, I was still shy, but my husband had to go away for a revival in Durban. He didn't have anyone to lead the ministry in his absence, so he pushed me into the deep end. I had already been teaching Bible school, but he asked me to take the Sunday morning service. At the time, our church had about 300-400 people, and I felt unprepared. But he said either I do it or we just sing the whole service, so I agreed.

I had been learning about prayer in Bible school and combined it with teachings on spiritual authority and spiritual warfare. My first sermon was about overcoming spiritual battles, and despite feeling sick that morning, I delivered it with confidence. It was well received, and I felt empowered. From then on, I began teaching more classes and eventually started traveling to South Africa to speak at different churches and summits on spiritual warfare, leadership, and economic development. I began speaking alongside my husband, blending the spiritual aspect with his teachings on lifestyle.

Was there a pivotal moment in your life where you needed to stand firm, and how did God guide you through that?

Yes. My son was born with a heart condition. We named him Bernstein, hoping he'd follow in his grandfather and aunt's musical footsteps. At four months old, we discovered that he had a severe

heart condition — an anomaly we weren't initially aware of. The doctors told us he had a 9 out of 10 heart condition, and we were told he might not live beyond 12. His heart had collateral vessels that were inoperable, and they were uncertain if he would need a heart and lung transplant by age 12.

After surgery, things got even harder. On our drive home, a stone hit our windshield, shattering it, and my son had pneumonia. I had to care for him myself, and prayer became my anchor. I learned how to pray deeply, fasting often, and focusing all my energy on his survival. Over time, I saw that my relationship with God was being tested like never before. My faith had to be deeper than just the small things I had prayed for before. This was life or death, and I was learning that faith required more.

At age 12, my son's condition worsened. He developed a hump on his back because his rib cage had changed shape due to his lungs. People were negative, but I stood firm. Faith isn't about negativity; it's about holding onto the promises of God. My son lived to 27.5, and during that time, we faced many battles. In 2017, he suffered a mental breakdown, and we discovered that his brain was not getting enough oxygen. That began a new chapter of challenges for us.

Despite everything, Bernie remained positive. He refused to accept death-talk around him and insisted on speaking life. There were many close calls, and when he was 27, his health took a severe decline, and we almost lost him. Through all of this, I learned that my faith journey was deeply intertwined with my son's life. God was with us every step of the way, even when the circumstances seemed impossible.



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God was warning me when he passed away. A month before, I had dreamed that Bernie had died. The doctors said there was no hope, but he survived for several more days. In the end, I had to accept that Bernie was ready. He had made peace, and I had to let go.

That's an incredibly powerful journey. It's clear that your love for each other was unwavering, even in the midst of these challenges.

Yes, the journey was deeply painful, but also beautiful in its own way. Through it all, I learned what it truly means to stand firm. We often hear about faith, but it's only when you're in the deep, dark places that you learn the real power of standing firm in trust. You have to be fully persuaded of your salvation. You have to know that even when God presses you to the limits, it's for a purpose.

When Bernie passed away, I had been praying for four hours, seeking healing for him. When I asked God, "Why did you take him?" I realized that this pain was part of the crushing process — like the olive being pressed to bring out the oil. Through this pressing, I had to decide whether it would refine me or break me.

What people don't understand is that you cannot waste the pressing. You have to come out stronger, with a deep

understanding of who God is in your life. It's not about looking at others or competing with the world; it's about knowing who you are in Christ and being fully convinced of your salvation. That is the secret to standing firm.

What inspires you most about ministering to women and helping them grow in their spiritual walk?

A lot of women struggle because they haven't recognized their own value. In many communities, they're treated like second-class citizens. I'm fortunate to have a supportive partner, who values the gifts I bring to the table. He recognized my teaching and prophetic gifts and encouraged me to pursue them.

I also started my own business and became financially independent. This success showed me that it can work for other women, too. I want to empower them to see the value in their own talents, rather than just being passive observers. If we don't nurture their potential, they risk being overshadowed by someone who diminishes their light.

Wherever I go, I ensure women feel valued as women. I encourage them to explore their independence and growth outside of their roles as wives and mothers. If they don't, they may lose their sense of identity. Setting boundaries is key, and



when you do that, people will respect and affirm you. Affirmation is something every woman needs— to feel appreciated for who they are and what they bring.

I have a 76-year-old friend who started a sewing class after many years of self-doubt. She's an incredible seamstress, artist, and quilter, but her previous partner never encouraged her. Now, with the right support and affirmation, she's teaching others and thriving. She didn't know how much impact her gift would have, and it's been amazing to watch her grow.

What are you most excited to share with the women attending the conference?

I'm excited to share parts of my own journey, but more importantly, I want to offer biblical principles that empower and enrich women's lives. My goal is to give them a new depth in their faith and be a blessing to them.

I want to create a sense of unity, where we are all together in the spirit. After ministering, there's nothing like the feeling of knowing that the women are with you, experiencing it with you. If I can achieve that, that would be wonderful. I know the Holy Spirit is already at work.

I've been praying for Audacious since I first got involved, and I promote it to everyone. This city is truly where the

move of God is happening. I want to help women feel like they can move forward in their journey with courage, boldness, and victory. Triumph in life isn't always visible to others, but when you've faced battles and come through, you can see how God has brought you through. That's the most powerful experience.

Do you have a favorite scripture, book, or song that represents strength for you?

Yes, my favorite scripture is 1 Chronicles 29:11-15. It speaks of God's power and majesty, with David boasting of the Lord. I have included it in almost every book I've written because it reminds me that God is the most awesome, powerful entity we can be a part of.

When you read that scripture, you feel the immense power of God, knowing no one can take it from you. His majesty and sovereignty above all is something that has carried me through many circumstances. I've even included it in my book signings as a reminder of His greatness.

LET'S HEAR FROM THE DELEGATES....



Alex's Story: A Voice She Didn't Expect

When I first heard about Luminous Conference, I wasn't sure if it was for me. I expected big crowds and polished messages, but something nudged me to go. I saw it advertised at the North campus, and since some women I knew were attending, I decided to join them.

The first day of the conference changed everything. Pastor Glyn invited us to write letters to our earthly fathers and then spoke about how God's love never fails. As he apologised on behalf of fathers who had let us down, I felt something shift inside me. For the first time, I heard God speak to me, and I felt healing from the wounds of my past.

The next day, I was moved by the stories of women from different backgrounds. During a prayer for women wanting to go into mental health, I didn't step forward but quietly prayed, saying, "I am open to

You using me."

What happened next caught me off guard. I found myself telling my husband, "I could do counseling as a career!" I was shocked—why would I say that? I loved my job!

This led me into a season of prayer, asking God for confirmation. My parents had always told me I wasn't smart enough to go to university, but the conference reminded me that while my earthly parents doubted me, my Heavenly Father never has.

Now, I'm in my first year of counseling at Waverley Abbey College in Surrey. Had I not gone to the conference, I might never have recognised God's call.

If you're considering attending this year's conference but feel hesitant, ***just go!*** It may not be what you expect, ***but it might be exactly what you need.*** Be brave, stay open, and watch what God can do.

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Seifa's Story: A Daughter of Heaven

I have always been drawn to purpose. As a mother of two teenagers and an NHS worker, my heart is for healing, and I love people. Faith has been part of my life since childhood—singing in the children's choir at eight, traveling on missions with my parents, and singing wherever we went. But last year, my work, health, and family were all in flux. In the midst of it, God was calling me deeper.

God had been nudging me to restart my cupcake business, but I kept putting it off. Then, through a casual conversation at church, an opportunity came—not just to attend the conference but to set up a cupcake booth. I went for it. ***Throughout the event, I met incredible women, heard inspiring messages, and stepped into something God had been preparing for me.*** After the conference, I heard His voice whisper, I told you, I got you!

I hadn't gone with high spiritual expectations—I just wanted a break. But then Leif Hetland (the guest speaker) shared about being Daddy's little girl, and I was reminded of a truth I had forgotten. I

wasn't just a mother, a worker, or a doer—I was God's daughter. The host of Heaven is cheering me on! My Father has chosen to love me, to purpose me for greatness.

At the time, I had been receiving frightening conversations about my health, but the very next month, I got an all-clear report. That revelation gave me boldness. ***I began walking into rooms with a different confidence***—not from the world, but from my Father. When I sing, lead, or speak, I carry the truth that I am cherished, known, and held by God.

I left the conference with joy, strengthened by laughter and sisterhood. For women unsure about attending, I say: ***Just get yourself there.*** Women are always giving, nurturing, and showing up for everyone else—this is a space where we can finally receive.

This year, I look forward to more laughter and deeper connections. I hold onto ***Romans 8:28: All things work together for my good, knowing God's purpose for my life is unfolding, one bold step at a time.***

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WEEK 2:
FRI 20TH - SAT 21ST JUNE



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