

# WESTERN PROVINCE COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

(Branch of S.A.C.C.)

## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR OLIVER TAMBO

### ORDER OF SERVICE

**LEADER: REV. COURTNEY SAMPSON**

**OPENING PRAYER: LORD'S PRAYER**

**HYMN: SENZENINA**

**GREETING & WELCOME:**

**TESTIMONY: SHEIKH GABIER**

**HYMN: ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS**

1. Onward, Christian soldiers  
Marching as to war  
With the cross of Jesus  
Going on before.  
Christ, the royal Master  
Leads against the foe;  
Forward into battle  
See His banners go.

**Chorus**  
**Onward Christian soldiers**  
**Marching as to war,**  
**With the cross of Jesus**  
**Going on before.**

2. At the sign of triumph  
Satan host doth flee;  
On then, Christian soldiers,  
On to victory!  
Hell's foundations quiver  
At the shout of praise;  
Brothers, lift your voices,  
Loud your anthems raise.

3. Like a mighty army  
Moves the Church of God;  
Brothers, we are treading  
Where the saints have trod.  
We are not divided,  
All one body we,  
One in hope and doctrine,  
One in charity.

**Chorus.**

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**SCRIPTURE AND SERMON: DS RUSSEL BOTMAN**

**LITANY: REV. COURTNEY SAMPSON**

Lord at this time we are filled with anger. We have called and called, for change and yet we are still awaiting this change.  
Lord we are angry

**RESPONSE:**

**Transform our anger into an unquenchable thirst for peace.**

Lord we have continuously called for an end to violence, and yet we are confronted by violence day by day.  
Lord we are angry

**RESPONSE:**

**Transform our anger into an unquenchable thirst for peace.**

Lord killers stalk our society in broad daylight walking tall, seemingly untouched and unchallenged, killing at will those who work for peace.

Lord we are angry

**RESPONSE:**

**Transform our anger into an unquenchable thirst for peace.**

Lord you confronted death out of compassion for us. You bear our losses and griefs with us, and give us hope in our despair

In your death,

**RESPONSE:**

**We have the strength to confront death.**

Lord, when people are killed in our streets and we are in despair, angry at humanity's inhumanity to humanity

In your death,

**RESPONSE:**

**We have the strength to confront death.**

Lord in the midst of life we are in death. We mourn the death of our dear brother and leader Oliver Tambo

In your death

**RESPONSE:**

**We have the strength to confront death.**

Lord when we mourn, your resurrection assures us of life after death. Given this assurance, we pray that you may give us the strength to persevere in our search for peace.

Because you live

**RESPONSE:**

**Death will not defeat us.**

Lord, when we recall the death of our heroes who died in the struggle for liberation, do not lead us to despair and bitterness.

Because you live

**RESPONSE:**

**Death will not defeat us.**

Lord when we pray for our brother Oliver Tambo and mourn his death, we are comforted.

Because you live

**RESPONSE:**

**Death will not defeat us.**

**NATIONAL ANTHEM:**