

Because I cannot be with you today, as I am prohibited by the Government from attending any gatherings, I want to send you a message on behalf of those women, like myself, who are prevented from **during** joining you. It is wonderful to see how the women of the Transvaal have emerged during the past year. Only when women play their full part in the life of our country will we be able to say that the future is secure. Only when women realise that it is their first duty to their families and children to fight for happiness and justice, will the evils that exist in our land be defeated. Only when women are completely united, will our cause triumph. No difficulties, sufferings our setbacks can prevent us from winning human rights for ourselves and our children. A better life awaits us, and will reward our struggles.

My heart is with you. Mayibuye i Afrika!

Hilda Watts.

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