“There is a need for understanding but not for vengeance, a need for reparation but not for retaliation, a need for ubuntu, but not for victimization.” (Promotion of National Unity and Reconciliation Act)

“I have always known that deep down in every human heart, there is mercy and generosity. No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite. Even at the grimmest times in prison, when my comrades and I were pushed to our limits, I would see a glimmer of humanity in one of the guards, perhaps just for a second, but it was enough to reassure me and keep me going. Man’s goodness is a flame that can be hidden but never extinguished.” (Mandela, A Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela 542)