INDOSAKUSA
The Morning Star

“Dawn has come joy comes in the morning”

PROFILE

“Message to the world through melodious voices and fancy footwork”
I. NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS

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INDOSAKUSA the morning star formerly known as Impumelelo Shining stars is a male member choral, musical group which specializes in Imbube Isicathamiya and gospel fused with different dances, both modern and traditional. IMS was formed on the 7th of May 2001 in Mapane Village, Ward 7, Enqameni Gwanda, Mat.South province Zimbabwe. Its member’s religion is Christianity. The name Impumelelo Shining stars was then changed to INDOSAKUSA the morning star through a revelation which was given to us in 2016 when the Lord said to us and the world, “AVULEKILE AMAZULU”. (heavens are open). God said, “The world needs new dawn, light, new beginning, hope and joy”. ALL THAT COMES WITH A MORNING STAR.

II. MISSION

- To put forward Imbube Isicathamiya music as a role model in teaching, preaching, entertaining and educating the community, through sending messages of love, peace, unity, salvation and forgiveness. Doing this in a refined manner, hence changing the lives of people to live in a peaceful and harmonized society. Moreso, capturing people’s hearts changing their lives therefore, spreading the message across the whole world.
III. VISION

- Promoting and spreading Imbube Isicathamiya and gospel in the society by conducting shows and workshops in schools, churches and in the society as a whole.
- To support the less privileged i.e. orphans and elderly in our community, financially and materially.
- To record and sell our music worldwide in order to be able to support and improve the general economic status of the group.
- To tour worldwide showcasing our talent, exchanging our cultural diversities with others worldwide.

IV. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- I.M.S have successfully toured and performed in the following countries in southern Africa in stadiums and some in theatres, Botswana, Namibia, Zambia, D.R.C, Malawi, Mozambique, Swaziland and South Africa.
(FESTIVALS)

- IMS have featured by invitation in various festivals around Zimbabwe and outside.
- Ibumba International Festival by (SMP) Sabela Music Production. Bulawayo Stainly Square Makokoba since 2006-2013
- Harare International Festivals of Arts, [HIFA] IN 2008 Harare Zim, I.M.S Show was sold out.
- Intwasa International Festival in Bulawayo since 2010 - 2016. All performances done on the main stage.

(IMAGE)

IMS Live at Intwasa Festival.

- Voices in color Festival in Bulawayo that’s
- Ihlombe South African Choral Festival in 2015 Joburg, IMS shared stage with other choral groups from South Africa, Sri-Lanka Colombia.

(RECORDINGS)

- INDOSAKUSA the morning star have successfully recorded and released eight albums full of powerful messages that have touched many lives both in audios and videos.
- All the recorded products of IMS are played on air in different radio and television stations in Zimbabwe and in South Africa. i.e. Zimbabwe TV, National FM, Radio Zimbabwe, Sport FM, Skys FM, Radio Dialogue and Star FM.
- In S.A, Ukhozi FM, Inkwenkwezi FM and KZN 1 TV, Soweto TV
- ISS have made some various interviews in these stations and SABC, a documentary was made with them.
1. In 2002 the first album “Emthonjeni” meaning the well recorded at moonlight recording studios in Bulawayo as it was the first recording it just sold few in Bulawayo.

2. In 2003 the second album “Umhlaba uyajikajika” meaning –the world changes- recorded at Ingwe Recordings Studios in Bulawayo.

3. In 2004 the third Album “Uhlaleleni” meaning –why are u sited- recorded at Dawn Recording Studios in Byo, this and it played in ZTV and in Ezikiel TV. It attracted more eyes, made IMS to be invited in different places.

4. In 2005 the fourth album “Ngeke ehluleke” meaning (he does not fail) recorded at Dawn Recordings Studios Bulawayo. It also sound much around Zimbabwe when IMS was touring all around Zimbabwe on a church programme Zaoga F.I.F. Goodnews Deliverance Explo, many people appreciated it so much because of its powerful message that brought salvation, healing and hope to the nation

5. In 2006 the 5th album “UNomalanga” recorded at Dawn Recording Studios Bulawayo, in this album IMS managed to shoot videos of all the songs making a video album which had songs like love one another, unity, Zimbabwe e.t.c

6. In 2010 the 6th album “love one another” recorded at Moonlight Recording Studios.
7. In 2013 the seventh album “Amaqhinga Aphelile” meaning *(devil’s tricks are over)* recorded at United Ryhmes Recording Studios in Durban South Africa. The album that put IMS to a lime light, it was produced by Joseph Shabalala and also featured in the song, which was a dream come true to INDOSAKUSA to feature a legend and a leader of a Multi Award winning Group including Grammy Award, Lady Smith, Black Mambazo.

8. In 2016 the eight album “Avulekile amazulu” meaning *(heavens are open)* recorded at JSL Recording Studios in JHB South Africa. Rated being the second professional album of IMS recorded, Engineered and mixed by a man who used to record Lady Smith Black Mambazo and had won many awards through recording, John Linderman.

- This album was launched in style, just in the city Centre Streets Bulawayo and IMS performed some songs on the CD to the public which many appreciated the message on the album which brought hope to the hopeless, Avulekile amazulu *(heavens are open)* to everyone financially, healthy to the sick.

- It was launched again in South Africa, Joburg at Victory Theatre where INDOSAKUSA the morning star gave their best performance as the show was attended by many. A launch show sponsored by Vision Vibe Media.
V. COVERAGE & COMMUNITY SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- As it is the Group’s Mission, sending a message to the world through Melodious Voices and Fancy footwork. Therefore, INDOSAKUSA the morning star music and dance is a blend and fuse of different traditional tribes of Imbube and Isicathamiya, a traditional musical group from Ndebele ethnic culture therefore IMS is a non-political group hence its ideology is working with individuals, religious groups, government, non-governmental organisations, companies and anyone within the society.
- I.M.S can be hired or invited to perform and share their experience everywhere, their music knows no-boundaries as it heals, teaches, preaches, unites and comforts, giving hope to the hopeless.
- Since IMS started, the communities have been benefiting a lot from its music and are still to benefit more, as IMS usually do some public free performances giving away entertainment and message of hope to the society, like on the 25th of June in the city center street, Bulawayo. I.M.S entertained thousands and thousands of people.
- The Zimbabwe Republic Police Bulawayo almost every year invites INDOSAKUSA the morning star to perform in their gatherings for the public freely.
Bulawayo City Council always host some gatherings almost every year and they invite IMS to give entertainment to the public free of charge and the communities are benefiting so much from IMS music and we believe more is still to come as IMS is looking forward to support and give to the less privileged in the community not music only but gifts and financial assistance.

VI. COLLABORATIONS

IMS has done several collaborations with different artists and are looking forward for more both local and international.

1. First IMS collaboration was done with Jey's Marabini, Thandanani Women Ensemble in Byo on a video shot, a video called “Ezinangeni” 2011.
3. IMS collaborated with Obert Dube a poet from Vic Fall Zimbabwe on a video shooting done in Byo 2014.
5. IMS collaborated with Nkwali, female artist from Byo on her first album as IMS did all the backing vocals on the audio album “Sithokozile”.

- The album won at ZIMA Awards for the best upcoming female artist 2015.
6. On the 20th August 2016 during a rise up Chothoza Imbube Festival, IMS on a live performance collaborated with a Bulawayo based Afro Jazz Artist Kwabarathi.
7. In 2011 during Intwasa Festival, IMS collaborated with Boozoe, a Solo Jazz and guitarist based in S.A on a live performance at City Hall Car Park Bulawayo.
VII. **INSPIRATION**

INDOSAKUSA the morning star is inspired by Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Joseph Shabalala.

- We thank them for their guidance and hard work they have done to Imbube Isicathamiya music, taking it to the level where it is today, seeing Isicathamiya music being recognized worldwide.

- We feel much blessed of getting an opportunity in our life time to work with Joseph Shabalala and an opportunity to visit him in his home for the first time in 2006 in S.A Durban Pine Town, and also in 2009 where IMS stayed in his house for a week.

- The visit was an inspiration, we gained knowledge as he lectured us so much about music and how to be a successful group in Imbube Isicathamiya music and Joseph gave the group just 3 words to stick on, when we want to be a successful Group, 3 Ps,

1. Practice
2. Pray
3. Patience.
VIII. MEMBERS DETAILS

1. SIZIBA KHUTSHWEKHAYA
   Stage name - Oscar –
   ▪ Roll - Leader, Composer and Lead vocalist
   ▪ Height - 166cm
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2. NDLOVU THEMELANI
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   ▪ Address - 30099 / 3 Entumbane, Byo, Zimbabwe

3. SIBANDA INNOCENT
   Stage name - Akumz -
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   ▪ Address - 4283 Lobengula West, Byo, Zimbabwe

4. MOYO MDUDUZI
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   ▪ Roll - Finance Manager, Sing Alto
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   ▪ Address - 70026/2 New Lobengula, Byo, Zimbabwe
5. MOYO KWANELE
   Stage name - Madlela –
   - Roll - Group Chairman, Driver & sings Alto
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   - D.O.B - 31/10/1979
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   - Address - 3805 Luveve Gwabalanda, Byo, Zimbabwe

6. MOYO NJABULO
   Stage name - Ntathe Majazi –
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7. SHOKO TIAMBIWI
   Stage name - Tiae –
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   - Address - 5990 Luveve 5, Byo, Zimbabwe

8. NOMORE SIBANDA
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