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‘Rituals of Resistance, Weapons of the Weak’: Towards Transformative Eucharistic Missiology

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The article will define symbolic inversion as an oppositional behaviour which most Zambian societies re-enacted in the ritual context as a dynamic cultural form. One of the early anthropologists in Southern Africa, Max Gluckman classified this ritualized oppositional behaviour as “rituals of rebellion.”

The article will argue for critical reclamation and reconstitution of symbolic resistance dimension of Ndembu ritual (people of North-west Zambia) to construct transformative Eucharistic missiology within Pentecostal Assemblies of God in Zambia (PAOGZ). The symbolic resistance of Ndembu ritual seems to have potential to give fresh perspective on how Eucharist within PAOGZ might function as mundus inversus (world-upside-down) - a way of resisting negative prevailing social order.

The article will conclude by proposing some methodological and practical ways that can undergird transformative Eucharistic missiology to help PAOGZ Christians refocus their Eucharistic performances to resisting anti-life and death-dealing forces.

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