



Empty Hands, a Memoir: One Woman s Journey to Save Children Orphaned by AIDS in South Africa (Paperback)

By Sister Abegail Ntleko

North Atlantic Books,U.S., United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 203 x 127 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Empty Hands is the inspiring memoir of Zulu nurse and healthcare activist Sister Abegail Ntleko. Growing up poor in a rural village with a father who didn t believe in educating girls, against seemingly insurmountable odds Sister Abegail earned her nursing degree and began work as a community nurse and educator, dedicating her life to those in need. Her story tells us, says Desmond Tutu, who wrote the foreword to the book, what a single person can accomplish when heart and mind work together in the service of others. Overcoming poverty and racism within the apartheid South African system, she adopted her first child at a time when it was unheard of to do so. And then she did it again and again. In forty years she has taken in and cared for hundreds of children who had nothing, saving babies many of them orphans whose parents died of AIDS from hospitals that were ready to give up on them and let them die. Empty Hands describes the harshness of Ntleko s circumstances with wit and wisdom in direct, beautifully understated prose...



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