Reading the Bible in the HIV and AIDS Context

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The global HIV and AIDS epidemic has been a context of great suffering: stigmatization, death, grief, impoverishment and has left countless children orphaned. It is an attack on life and its quality. Moreover, the most marginalized groups such as women, homosexuals, youth, blacks and the poor have been at the center of the storm of the epidemic.

With millions dead, and countless others living with HIV, and with a large number of children orphaned, the epidemic raises theological questions. Who is God? Where is God? Does God Care? How then should we read the Bible in such a global context? This lecture will share the imperative to read the Bible in the context of HIV&AIDS, which calls for frameworks of reading for the affirmation of life, justice, the body, sexuality and compassion among others.

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She is also the recipient of several awards including the 2011 recipient of the Friedrich Wilhelm Research Award from the Humboldt Foundation, Germany, in recognition of both academic and community oriented work on postcolonial, HIV&AIDS and biblical studies.