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# MEMORIAL CEREMONY MARKING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1994 GENOCIDE AGAINST THE TUTSI IN RWANDA

Friday, 12 April 2019 | 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

General Assembly Hall, United Nations Headquarters, New York

## PROGRAMME

Candle Lighting ▶ Minute of Silence ▶ Musical Performance

## FORMAL REMARKS

**H.E. Mr. António Guterres,**  
United Nations Secretary-General

**H.E. Ms. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés,**  
President of the United Nations General Assembly

## KEYNOTE

**H.E. Mr. Paul Kagame**  
President of the Republic of Rwanda

Musical interlude  
United Nations Staff Recreation Council Symphony Orchestra Quintet

## TESTIMONIES

**Mrs. Esther Mujawayo-Keiner,**  
Therapist and activist,  
Co-founder of Association of Widows of April's Genocide (AVEGA)  
Survivor of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda

**Rev. Marcel Uwineza, S.J.,**  
Jesuit Priest and doctoral candidate  
in systematic theology at Boston College, and  
Survivor of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda

## WORD OF THANKS

**H.E. Mrs. Valentine Rugwabiza,**  
Permanent Representative of the Republic of Rwanda  
to the United Nations

## Esther Mujawayo-Keiner

Mrs. Mujawayo-Keiner is a sociologist and psychotherapist. She survived the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda, but lost most of her immediate family, including her parents, many of her siblings and her husband. Mrs. Mujawayo-Keiner is the author of several books and co-founder of the Association of Widows of April's Genocide (AVEGA) that was created in 1994 to help reintegrate genocide widows back into society.



## Rev. Marcel Uwineza, S.J.

Father Uwineza is a Jesuit priest and a survivor of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda. He is a doctoral candidate in systematic theology at Boston College. He is a part of the Georgetown University's Berkeley Center for Catholic Social Teaching and the Global Future of Development Project. Father Uwineza has published articles internationally focusing on memory, justice and reconciliation, church, human rights and human development in the context of post-genocide Rwanda.



Master of Ceremonies:  
**Ms. Alison Smale,**  
Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications