A week ago, the University of Namibia Choir celebrated their 20th anniversary with a concert held at the National Theatre of Namibia (NTN).

UNAM Choir has a nationwide following that has grown over the 20 years of the choir’s existence. However the choir wouldn’t exist without its members under the leadership of their talented founder and conductor Mr. Bonnie Pereko, widely known as Uncle B.

The following are what some members had to say about being part of UNAM Choir and its 20th anniversary celebrations:

**Sheldine Kruger**

“I am a soprano singer in the choir and throughout all these years in choir I’ve heard countless choirs from across the country, and I can say with confidence that what is happening in UNAM Choir is a very rare and precious thing. I feel privileged to be part of this choir. The choir has greatly influenced my journey throughout university. It has also given me a community of friends like no other, who I couldn’t wait to reunite with at the 20th anniversary celebrations.”

**Ally Tobias**

"Home is not just a place, it’s a feeling. To us choristers, UNAM Choir is HOME. The choir feels like your grandparents house, we are all so different but we are a family. We love music and each other. But this is all thanks to Uncle Bonnie, surely an angel from above. We love you Uncle B, thank you so much."

**Tove Kangotue**

"It’s an honor to be part of such a celebration as we are celebrating diversity, culture and the love for choral music. We are also honoring those that came before us because without their commitment and hard work, we would not have been in existence for this long."

**Yolande Mutjavikua**

"Being part of UNAM Choir in itself is a magical experience. This is only my second year in the choir but it feels like I’ve been part of it for so many years. You would walk into Space Theatre with all the problems (you think you have) and by the time you leave that room, you would be relieved and happy. This is because of the love for music we all share. Choral music is THERAPEUTIC. The 20th anniversary celebrations was spectacular. I remember walking in for rehearsals every week this semester and Uncle B would share his vision for the concert, right there is when I knew it would be a success. I’m glad to have been part of this beautiful project."

**Romando !Haoseb (on the left)**

"To be part of a choir is to be part of something greater than yourself. UNAM Choir has given me some of the best memories of my academic career. It has given me friends, family and a platform to express myself. It’s an honor."

Due to popular demand and a sold out concert, UNAM Choir will be performing on the 21st September 2017. Do make sure to get yourself a ticket before they sell out AGAIN.