



# BMC

## Black Methodist Consultation

*A formation within the Methodist Church of Southern Africa*



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**CIRCULAR 007 – 20/01/2016 BMC DISTRICTS CONNEXIONAL EXECUTIVES, TASK TEAMS CONVENE AT GRAHAMSTOWN – FEBRUARY 2016 MEETING**

**BMC District Executives, Connexional Task Teams, Ex-Officio's, Elders and All Dearest Methodists!**

**Re: BMC DISTRICT CONNEXIONAL EXECUTIVES, TASK TEAMS, STANDING COMMITTEES MEET AT GRAHAMSTOWN; P.E. NORTH CIR; ARTHUR WELLINGTON 26; 27 & 28 FEBRUARY 2016.**

Warm greetings to you all dearest BMC Members, Compliments for the New Year; ***it is five (5) full weeks, (thirty six (36) days)*** before all the **District Executives, Task Teams, Ex-Officio's [delegations of 10-14 per district including District Executive]** meet at P.E. North Circuit, Arthur Wellington Memorial; Grahamstown District for the Annual General Committee February Meeting.

This is a confirmation and friendly reminder as announced on the 21<sup>st</sup> November 2015 in Bloemfontein.

- **DATES:** 26<sup>th</sup> Until 28<sup>th</sup> February 2016; *starting at 11:00 on Day One (1) Friday 26<sup>th</sup> ;*
- **VENUE:** ARTHUR WELLINGTON METHODIST - Aggrey Road; New Brighton; Port Elizabeth 6200; Eastern Cape; Grahamstown District [Physical Address: Aggrey Road; New Brighton; Port Elizabeth.]

**1. DISTRICT REPORTS – 2015 CALENDAR YEAR**

All District Executive are reminded to *prepare, present and submit* written reports on 'The State and the Work of the BMC' in your respective districts for the period 'January 2015 until December 2015'. In order to standardise reporting and ease this process a modified templates that could be used either in PowerPoint or Word

Document will be emailed to all Districts Executives soonest, not later than Tuesday 2 Feb 2016. [*Meanwhile the Feb 2015 Template can be used to start the report*]

## 2. REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

- Registration per member at the Annual February Meeting remains at the minimal Fifty Rands [R50.00];
- All delegates present are expected to register
- Accommodation would be arranged with families in their homes as per the norm for the Annual February Meeting's.

**Kindly RSVP in blocks per District by latest Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 12:00 Noon – Latest; *[will not be extended]*.** Indicating total number of people coming per District, specify names, gender breakdown, early arrivals (e.g. Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February) as well as *the need for accommodation from the hosts and transport pick-ups* from the various public transport interchanges;

- **Failure to RSVP** and or miss deadline and or provide wrong information as to the number of people expected to come attracts financial costs and unnecessary inconveniences to both the hosting district and the Connexional Executive. We therefore strongly encourage compliance in this regard.
- The attached RSVP Template maybe utilised

**NEARBY/ALTERNATIVE PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION – COST TO MEMBERS**  
[attached below Directions, page 6 hereunder]

## 3. PROGRAMME CONTENT

Programme will follow, to include

- The Resolutions July 2015 – *as processed in Bloemfontein 20-21 Nov 2015*;
- **Adoption** of the - Implementation Matrix and Measurements per Key Performance Areas (contents includes Chairpersons Address, Lekgotla Mandate and 3 critical conversations outputs, i.e.:
  - I. Gender Equality;
  - II. Good Governance and Accountability as well as

III. Theories about being Black and Blackness

- The Discernment Process would be further engaged as well – **FINALISED**;
- Task Teams and District Reports tabled;
- 40<sup>th</sup> BMC Anniversary Public Lecture – Rev Dr Soks Leleki and Collective evening of 27 Feb – delivered by Dr B. Bam.

To God Be the glory, great things He had done!

Thank You

Yours in Christ Service



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**Mr Xhanti T. Mhlubulwana**

**Secretary General**



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**Rev Mzwandile Molo**

**Chairperson**

**DIRECTIONS – ARTHUR WELLINGTON - Aggrey Road; New Brighton; Port Elizabeth 6200; Eastern Cape**

**FROM Port Elizabeth International Airport**

- Allister Miller Dr, Port Elizabeth, 6070
- **Take Allister Miller Dr and Forest Hill N/B Rd to Settlers Hwy/M4**
- **Follow N2 Cape Town/Humansdorp**
- **Take exit 748 from N2**  
**[Take Mati Rd to Aggrey Rd in Ibhayi]**
- **Use the right lane to turn right onto Uitenhage Rd/R75**
- **Turn Right onto Chase Dr/Mati Rd – New Brighton**
- **Continue onto Ntshekisa Rd – New Brighton**
- **Turn Right onto Aggrey Rd – Arthur Wellington**
- **Aggrey Rd; Ibhayi, 6200**

**FROM GRAAFREINET FOLLOW PORT ELIZABETH SIGNS**

Continue driving past Uitenhage. Do not enter Uitenhage

Follow Port Elizabeth signs and drive slowly at 100 km per hour

Drive past traffic lights between KwaDwesi and KwaMagxaki

Proceed on Uitenhage Road

Drive past Missionvale Campus of Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University on your right

Continue with Uitenhage Road as you drive past a Shopping Centre on your left

Drive past Engen Garage on your right

Continue with Uitenhage Road

Reduce your speed to 60 and keep your left lane

Turn left into Mati Road

Follow Mati Road into Ntshekisa Street

Drive past Police Station on your left

Proceed on Ntshekisa Street

Drive straight through the traffic lights

Keep right lane immediately

Turn Right into Aggrey Road

Drive slowly in Aggrey Road

SECOND Church Building is Arthur Wellington Methodist Church. YOUR DESTINATION! ! !

**FROM CRADOCK ABOUT 2 HOURS DRIVE TO PE**

Drive past Cookhouse

Drive until you join N2 from East London and Follow Port Elizabeth sign

Drive past Colchester

Follow N2 and drive past Bluewater Bay

The Sea is on you left hand side

Drive past sewage on your right

Follow N2/Humansdorp

Exit N2 into Commercial Road/ Uitenhage Road

Turn Right into Uitenhage Road

Keep right lane

Turn right into Mati Road / which becomes Ntshekisa Street

Drive past Police Station on your left

Proceed on Ntshekisa Street

Drive straight through the traffic lights

After traffic lights keep right lane

Turn right into Aggrey Road

Drive slowly in Aggrey Road

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**FROM CAPE TOWN SIDE INTO PORT ELIZABETH**

Proceed with N2 from Humansdorp

Keep on N2 driving past Bay West Shopping Mall on your right

Follow N2 as you go past first suburban areas on both sides

Follow N2/ Grahamstown

Slow down to 100 km per hour

Exit N2 into Commercial Road / Uitenhage Road

Turn left at the traffic lights into Uitenhage Road

Keep right lane immediately

Turn Right into Mati Road

Follow Mati Road which becomes Ntshekisa Street

Drive past Police Station on your left

Proceed on Ntshekisa Street

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Keep right lane

Turn right into Aggrey Road

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**PRIVATE ACCOMODATION LIST**

**ITHEMBALETHU GUEST HOUSE (0720453985)**

44-46 Ferguson Road, New Brighton (Accommodate up to 24 guests)

R380 Single

R260 PP Sharing

6 Rooms

**ALGOA PARK INN (041 452 3471/0826973567)**

43 Rottingdean Road, Algoa Park

R350 Single

R250 PP Sharing

9 Rooms

**EMAKHALENI B&B (041 4633226)**

50 Nghona Street, Kwa-Magxaki

R350 pp Sharing

R900 (Family of 3-4 ppl)

**EMTHANDENI GUEST HOUSE (041 485 0356)**

31 Mbongisa Street, Kwadwesi

R300 for 2 ppl Sharing

(Accommodates from a Min of 2ppl up to a Max of 8 ppl)

**RED LOCATION LODGE (0611701348)**

Cnr. Singaphi & Olaf Palme Ave, New Brighton

R300 pp

R300 for 2 ppl sharing a room

R100 pp in a group (max of 25 ppl)