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CIRCULAR 008 – 17/02/2016 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 – CONFIRMING PENDING DETAILS

Warm greetings to you all dearest BMC Members, <u>it is now down to nine (9) days</u> before all the **District Executives, Task Teams, Ex-Officio's [delegations of 10-14 per district including District Executive]** meet at <u>P.E. North Circuit, Arthur Wellington Methodist Church; Grahamstown District</u> for the Annual General Committee February Meeting.

This is a confirmation of all pending details and friendly reminder as announced:

- DATES: 26th Until 28th February 2016; starting at 11:00 on Day One (1) Friday 26th;
- **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 were 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'. Standardised reporting template (Attached)

2. REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMONDATION

Registration per member at the Annual February Meeting remains at the minimal
Fifty Rands [R50.00] as it has been for the past many years;

- 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 19th 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 25th 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 (re-attached)

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

3. PROGRAMME CONTENT

Programme will follow, [Programme now attached]

NOTE WELL - UPDATES/NEW CONTENT

- All Task Teams are urged to prepare their inputs per programme especially the New Task Teams as nominated in Bloemfontein 20-21 November 2015:
- Resolutions to be finalised as processed in Bloemfontein (attached) to include New Notices of Motion emanating from the Chairpersons Address towards Implementation;
- District Representatives to lead Devotions and Prayers per programme contents please nominate and share the names with Connexional Secretariat Office for incorporation into Final Programme for Printing – by Tuesday 23 Feb 2016;
- The New BMC Connexional Structure as mandated by the November 2014 Lekgotla must be finalised at this FEBRUARY 2016 Meeting. These are <u>Technical Working Groups</u> on the following <u>Key Focus Areas in the life of the MCSA</u>:-
 - 1. Doctrine, Ethics and Worship

- 2. Revisions in the MCSA
- 3. Structures of the MCSA
- 4. Trust and Property in the MCSA
- 5. Ministerial Formation/EMMU

Districts are urged to prepare and nominate names to the above committee's at the floor of February Meeting and or register objections <u>if any</u> for Conveners as suggested by the Connexional BMC Office with replacements/substitutions. The Challenge is BMC Internal Capacity has been stretched with some members serving in multiple Technical Working Groups (for further detailed narrative refer to Organisational Report – July 2015: <u>BMC Institutional Capacity</u>)

COMMITTEE	SUGGESTED CONVENERS
Doctrine, Ethics and Worship	Rev Luvuyo Sifo
Revisions in the MCSA	Rev Mogomotsi D.M Diutlwileng
Structures of the MCSA	Mr. Ivan Samdaan
Trust and Property in the MCSA	Mr. Ricky Ngwenya
Ministerial Formation/EMMU	Rev Norman Raphahlela & or Rev Purity Malinga

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

Thank You

Yours in Christ Service

Mr Xhanti T. Mhlubulwana

Rev Mzwandile Molo

Secretary General Chairperson

<u>DIRECTIONS – ARTHUR WELLINGTON - Aggrey Road; New Brighton; Port Elizabeth 6200; Eastern Cape</u>

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 you 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

Drive straight through the traffic lights

Keep right lane

Turn right into Aggrey Road

Drive slowly in 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)