



# DLRC YOUTH PRESENTS YOUTH NEWSLETTER

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## INTRODUCTION

Hey there DLRC fam, welcome to the very first edition of the Youth Newsletter!

Youth seminar 2024 theme: THE RISING ARMY, JEREMIAH 50:9

Driven by faith and inspiration, here's a whole lot of news that you never knew you needed to know; loads of content that has the purpose of being light-hearted, fun and a learning experience. This newsletter brings you bits and pieces of what to know about the youth. Written in English and IsiXhosa - it brings you a truck full of wisdom and knowledge, a compilation of lifetime memories, words from members of our family, a whole lot of information you may have not known about our youth [they are quite a great bunch of people], and interesting facts you may find quite useful; who knows, you may learn a thing or two. From the very first page until the last one, you will laugh, you will cry, you will be motivated, you will feel brave, you will be grateful, you will be praising the Lord, and your soul will be nourished. We have quite a long road ahead, so lay back, get your snacks ready, buckle your seatbelts and come along for the ride! It will be worth every minute of your time. We hope you will be as blessed and as entertained as we were when putting this together. Enjoy!

With Love, The Team.

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCH LEADERS:

YOUR LIFESTYLE TODAY DETERMINES YOUR OUTCOME TOMORROW

YOUNG PEOPLE LIVE YOUR LIVES TODAY WITH WELL CALCULATED STRIDES AND WITH INTENTIONAL FORECAST TO THE FUTURE. THE BIG HEART YOU HAVE TO ACHIEVE YOUR DREAM AND FULFIL YOUR DESTINY IS POSSIBLE, BUT YOU START TO LIVE YOUR DREAM NOW AND LIVE TO SEE IT FULFILLED TOMORROW. THE LAW OF LIFE IS THAT YOU ONLY REAP YOUR HARVEST AFTER THE SAME KIND AS YOUR SEED. THE WAY YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE TODAY DETERMINES YOUR RESULTS FOR TOMORROW.

WE DON'T JUST ARRIVE TO DESTINIES, BUT WE LABOUR, INVEST AND OUR CURRENT PROCLIVITIES ARE OUR DESTINIES IN MAKING. PEOPLE THAT CARE SO MUCH ABOUT THEIR FUTURE THEY ALWAYS MIND THEIR COMPANY.

ALL DECISIONS THAT YOU MAKE TODAY WILL HAVE THEIR EFFICACY IN YOUR FUTURE, DECIDE WELL, WITHOUT PRESSURE OR INFLUENCE. SEEK WISDOM FOR IT IS A PRINCIPAL THING. WISHING YOU ALL THE BEST IN YOUR ENDEAVOURS AS YOU SEEK TO FULFIL YOUR DESTINY.

PROVERBS 4: 7  
GOD BLESS YOU!

FROM THE BISHOP'S DESK...

# LORD'S FAVOUR IS OUR PORTION



## Happy Youth Month

I must start by saying to our youth, guys we love you and God loves you even more than you think.

My message to you in this month:

Develop Your Walk with God.

Our key scripture is Luke 2:49

"And He said to them, why did you seek me? Did you not know that I must do My Father's business?"

This is Jesus answering His mother, after they were looking for him. Jesus was found in a Temple addressing serious people, respected people in the society. Akamananga wakwazi ukuma before such people, but He spent His time seeking God's counsel as a result everyone was so amazed at His understanding and answers.

Developing your walk with God:

1. It Gives Value
2. Wisdom
3. Protection
4. Future

And many more.

Mostly during that time, you come to discover your purpose. You will have a different perspective about life and your existence. God will build your attitude, your character and your intelligence. Jesus was highly intelligent. As much as you are born again. still you are being expected to be wise and have a clear picture about your vision.

I believe that you are all Leaders, one day I will go deeper in explaining this statement. There is no leader without developing capacity. I believe you will make it in life, what you need to do is to believe in yourself. Hlabathi lidingga abantu abazaziyo bayaphi, lona ihlabathi lilahlekile but lidingga abantu abazokwenza umzila (pathfinder). Yonke ke lento idinga abantu abanalo ixesha lika Ndikhoyo, on their busy schedules still bafumaneke bekuye.

Mthandazo Wam kukuba ndinibone nikwazi ukumelana ne challenges that you guys are facing in your generation or in your era. Your generation doesn't cater for:

1. Sluggish people
2. Sleepy
3. Lazy
4. Coward

You guys must be strong and be courageous.

Develop Your Walk with God and you will never regret a day in your life, instead you will celebrate till eternity.

Let me finish up by saying, Jesus never wasted his time on earth, we are His disciples let's not waste our time. I'm looking forward to seeing you expanding in your;

1. Spiritual life
2. Career
3. Business
4. Ministry
5. Job
6. Knowledge

And in every area that I might not be mentioning. I'm grateful to God for granting me the opportunity to serve you and to be your mother. May God bless you all and grant you the desires of your heart.

MAY YOU ALL PROSPER IN LIFE. MAY GOD GRANT YOU STABILITY AND A COMMANDING TONGUE IN THE WONDERFUL NAME OF JESUS.

LOVE YOU ALL

SHALOM

Mam' Bishop Mngxaso



# Pastor T.C. & S. Mdlangu



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Acts 26:4 "My behaviour and manner of living from my youth up is known by all the nation" reflects a life lived openly and transparently within a community.

This statement underscores a reputation built on consistency and visibility, suggesting that one's actions and character have been scrutinized and acknowledged by the public. It conveys a sense of accountability and integrity, implying that the individual's life has been an open book, free from hidden agendas or deceit, thus earning the trust and respect of the entire nation. Arise to be accountable, oh Army of God!!

Psalms 144:12 "May our sons in their youth be like plants full grown, our daughters like corner pillars cut for the structure of a palace".

This declaration envisions a future of strength and stability. It expresses a hope for sons to be mature and thriving, and daughters to be elegant and foundational, both contributing to a flourishing community. Arise into maturity and thrive illimitably, oh Army of God!!

ACTS 13.36 "For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God,"

This statement highlights David's fulfilment of his divine purpose during his lifetime. It emphasizes his role as a servant leader (a commander) who acted in accordance with God's plan, positively impacting his contemporaries and leaving a legacy of faithfulness and obedience to God's will. Arise into your purpose by the will of God, oh Army of Jesus!!



# Pastor Lwanda & Aqhamile Tsengiwe

Serving God with all diligence while you are still young, vibrant and energetic is a blessing. The God who created us deserves our most active and healthy years; it is a wise thing to live for Him while you are still young and in your best. To be born again and giving God your best years grants you so many benefits such as eternal and divine life, freedom from the power of sin, knowing the exact meaning and purpose of life etc especially when you are a young person, it is a bliss.

The wisest King in the bible, Solomon says in the book of Ecclesiastes 12:1 "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them".

It is wise to remember and to live for God while you are still young. There are many young heroes in the Bible who exercised moments of great faith. Look at Daniel who refused to eat the food presented to him which would defile him. Look at Shadrach, Meshack and Abednego who refused to buckle to societal pressures and to bow to the king's statue. Look at David who slayed the giant and won the battle for Israel. How about Esther in her teens who saved her nation, she literally proved that even young people can change the world for God's kingdom. It is never an excuse to live for Christ while you are still young.

Giving our lives to Jesus at a young age was the best decision we ever made. We served God's will with diligence and we've seen Him rewarding us because God is not wicked that He should forget. Do not despair young people, the great is yet to come. You are living to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.  
Soldier on rising army, soldier on!

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# WHAT HAS THE YOUTH BEEN UP TO?

JUNE, 14 2024

## Youth Seminar 2023:

The theme was: Arise, awake, and stop not until the goal is achieved. Oh, what a time we had! It was a beautiful weekend filled with messages and moments which were life changing. We received messages from our leaders, and the youth preachers who never ceased to amaze us, indeed we are a chosen and called generation, the messages received from that weekend were true testaments of that. We also had a few guest speakers who came to engage with us on the realities of the world we live in, speaking on topics of business, academics, and mental health to mention a few. Amongst them were our very own daughters, Ms Welekazi Serame and Mrs Noludwe Dweza Maki, what they had for us was truly inspiring, our minds were nourished. We participated in a few activities such as debating about pressing matters in the church surrounding the youth, and of course there was a showcase of talents through performances, what a gifted bunch of people we have. God showed up for the youth and, we were left yearning for more! Check out the snippets of the seminar below...

### Testimonies

**God has been in the neighbourhood for a few of our youth members who had testimonies to share. When I tell you that the youth has been experiencing a season of God's favour, a joyful season, just like Bishop said "Uzokuhlekisa uThixo", Uluhlekisile ulutsha indeed. It truly has been a blissful and heartwarming season, He has done great things, and He will continue doing great things. It will all end in songs of praise, we will be singing "Sobonga ngani..." every day, watch this space!**



Phaphama Piliso

I became a member at Divine Life Restoration Centre in May 2023, the first day I visited the church I accepted Jesus as my Saviour. At the time, things were not going well in my life, my mother was struggling to get a job, my sister who was doing her second year at tertiary had not been funded for 2 years and I was also not funded. We depended on my father as he was the only one working & it was very difficult for us. Every time I attended church I had these prayer points, "God please give us funding, God please give my mother a job" Every time when Bishop said pray for what you want from God, I continued to ask God for the same thing. From May I prayed for this so much that it felt like God was not answering my prayers but there was a verse that I was motivated by, 2 Corinthians 5:7, "for we walk by faith not by sight".

When NSFAS opened for applications, we applied and this time my sister was going to do her final year and I was applying for my second year, and we did this by faith. This year, my sister and I both got funded and my mother got a job. I want to say it is because of God's mercy, He qualifies the unqualified. This all happened since I became saved and trusted in the Lord.

# TESTIMONIES

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### Wandisile Makhaba

Earlier this year I thought I was not coming back to Queenstown because I had finished studying; I really wanted to come back because I did not want to leave DLRC. I prayed to God about this and by his favour and Grace I got a call from a lady from a certain company who told me to report to the office on the following Monday, because I got a job. I was baffled by this, as I had not applied, but I did as she said. I was told to submit a few documents, amongst these documents was a document I did not have, I was worried about this, I told Lady Bishop and we prayed about it. When submitting the documents, I told my boss that I did not have a certain required document, and to my surprise he said its fine, I will obtain whatever is required along the way as I had already been employed. Furthermore, I had no place to stay, I told the landlord of a certain place I was interested in that I did not have the money to pay the rent before moving in as I was still waiting for my salary, but he told me to move in on the same day without paying. I thank the Lord for His favour upon my life.



### Siyakholwa Fuma

Ever since I graduated, I struggled to get a stable job. I was applying but I had no luck for a period of two years. In March this year the first Sunday Bishop declared it as a month of Covenant Blessings, and he made us pray on Deuteronomy 28 during the service and told us to also make the same prayer on our own at home. So, at midnight when I was praying, I prayed Deuteronomy 28. On Monday morning I woke up to a call that I must go and sign my contract for a job I applied for last year. The intake for that post was for 5 people but to my surprise when I got there the number was increased to 12 people.

### Asipe Sidondi

I passed my matric with a bachelor in 2021, I tried applying for school in many institutions but with no luck, I'd even bring my documents every time there's an impartation service. I then told Bishop about my situation, and he prayed for me and said I must pray

that God must reveal every mystery behind our calamities, Bishop told me that I must take 3 days fasting & keep on praying, I then dreamt of myself stuck in a mud with my documents and I was trying to rescue myself and my documents. Then this year I joined the 21 days prayer and fasting, while I was still in fasting, I dreamt of Bishop saying I must take 3 days dry fasting and I did that. A few weeks down the line I got an offer to study at WSU & my NSFAS application got approved.



# TESTIMONIES

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## Ongeziwe Sigmawu

I started coming to church in 2023, I was very troubled. I was working as an intern with a soon ending contract, on the other side my family was struggling, my mom had been a contract worker for 13 years and my sister was also an intern in Cape Town. This other time there was 7 days fasting here at church and I joined, soon after that fasting, things started happening. My mother and sister also got permanently employed, I also got a new contract with a better salary. Fast forward to this year January, I joined the 21 days Prayer & fasting with several personal prayer points and one of those was to have a car in year 2024. In my mind, I had my dream car but sometimes we tend to undermine ourselves and this causes us to downplay our prayers: so, then I prayed for this small car but it was not what I wanted. On day 21, the last day of fasting I heard a voice saying, "Why are you settling for less, I must name the car I want". I didn't hesitate, I Said "Father, I want an Omoda C5" and little did I know that it was going to take just a month for that prayer to be fulfilled. On the 20th of March 2024 I was driving myself home with my brand new Omoda C5.

# ACHIEVEMENTS

In the house of the Lord, we celebrate each and every achievement, for it is by the Lord's grace and mercy that you are able to achieve anything and everything you put your mind to. Through these achievements we are reminded that with God all things are possible (Matthew 19:26), and truly what He cannot do, does not exist. Let us give Him all the praise sisithi "Ungu Jehova igama lakhe, sikubonile ungena nathi, sikubonile uphuma nathi...", as we celebrate the following people:

## >>> SINOMTHA MNGXASO

AN LLB GRADUATE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF FORTARE.



>>> JOY ZAZAN  
SELECTED OUT OF 42 PEOPLE TO BE AMONGST THE 14  
CHOSEN PREFECTS FOR HER SCHOOL.

# WEDDINGS

IN THE PAST YEAR, WE WITNESSED AND CELEBRATED TWO WEDDINGS. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN HERE'S WHAT ZIKHONA AND ONELE HAD TO SAY ABOUT MARRIAGE SO FAR.

## INTRODUCING MR LUZUKO AND MRS ONELE PULA:

I can confidently say I am a better person now than when I was a single woman, to me marriage needs more patience, accepting of differences, growth and maturity, a confident wife and mother to be. Marriage has caused me to look at myself and my flaws, prejudices, weaknesses and hurts, and seek wisdom, growth, and outside intervention. I love my husband more than when I married him because I know both him and myself better; I'm not in love with a fantasy. Life has been good after being married.

My husband has fulfilled a deep need for security in my life, and I have fulfilled a deep need for peace in his life. I am my husband's priority; we are on the same team with the same values and goals for our lives together. We look forward to seeing our kids to be, launch into adulthood and take their place in the world!



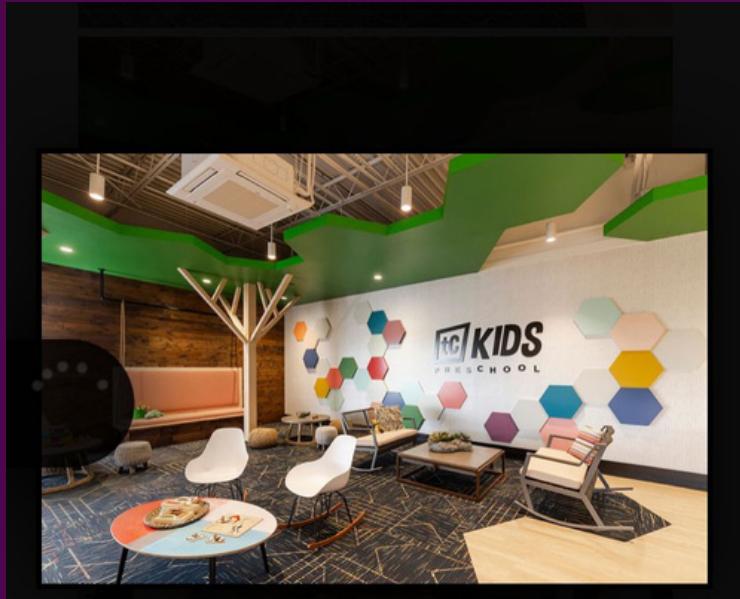
## INTRODUCING MR HARRY AND MRS ZIKHONA WANNER:

Marriage life is beautiful, it's the most brilliant decision we ever took. As Martin Luther said," There is no more lovely, friendly, and charming relationship, communion or company than a good marriage."



# Youth Cafeteria

WHAT STARTED OFF AS A SIMPLE IDEA FOR FUNDRAISING AMONG SOME OF THE YOUTH MEMBERS AS A WAY OF PREPARING FOR THE YOUTH SEMINAR, HAS SINCE THEN BLOSSOMED INTO A CONTINUING PROJECT. IT ALL STARTED AS SOMETHING SMALL ON A LOVELY WEDNESDAY MORNING, 10 APRIL 2024, WITH ONLY THE IDEA OF SELLING SOME SNACKS EVERY SUNDAY AT CHURCH, WITH HOPES OF BEING ABLE TO SELL FOOD AS WELL, AS THE PROJECT GROWS. WITH THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE DLRC FAMILY, THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN A GREAT START, IT HAS BECOME SOMETHING EVEN BETTER THAN WHAT WE HOPED FOR IN JUST A FEW WEEKS. IT HAS BEEN QUITE A JOURNEY, AND THIS HAS GIVEN BIRTH TO A GREAT VISION, SOMETHING THAT STILL NEEDS A BIT OF WORK AND A FEW CHANGES HERE AND THERE, BUT NONETHELESS A PROPOSED DRAFT HAS BEEN WRITTEN. FAMILY WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU, WHAT WE HAVE CALLED:



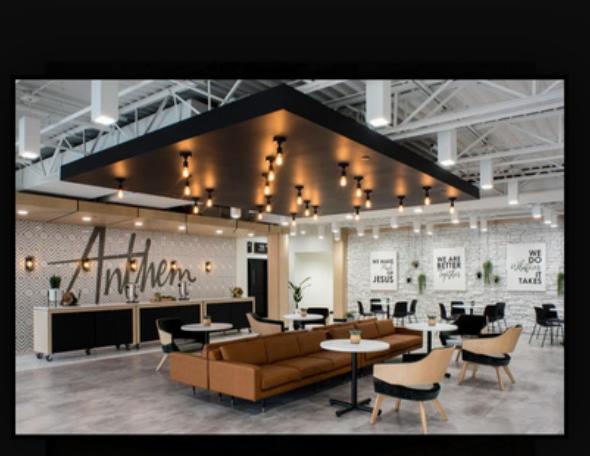
## VISION

DLRC Youth Cafeteria:  
Proverbs 23:7- For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he.

## OBJECTIVE

To create a welcoming space for the church community to gather, share meals, and foster fellowship while enjoying delicious and affordable food.





## GOALS

- Provide a convenient and affordable dining option for church members and staff.
- Offer a variety of healthy and tasty food options, including special dietary options.
- Host events, meetings, and gatherings that promote community building and outreach.
- Create a warm and inviting atmosphere that reflects the church's values and hospitality.

## FEATURES

- Comfortable seating for approximately 50-75 people.
- Variety of food stations (e.g., Braai meat, sandwich counter, Boerewors Rolls, etc).
- Beverage station with coffee, tea, and juice options.
- Outdoor seating area (if possible).
- Play area for children (if possible).





## OPERATIONS

- Staffed by volunteers, church staff, and potentially hired staff which will lead to job creation
- Open on weekdays (e.g., Monday-Friday) and Sundays (before/after services).
- Funded through sales, donations, and church support.

## MENU

- Breakfast options (e.g., pastries, eggs, pancakes).
- Lunch and dinner options (e.g., sandwiches, salads, full meal plates).
- Snacks and beverages.
- Special events and themed meals (e.g. holiday feasts).



## BENEFITS

- Fosters community building and fellowship among church members.
- Provides a convenient and affordable dining option.
- Supports outreach and hospitality efforts.
- Can be a potential revenue stream for the church.

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# INTERVIEWS

OKAY, SO WE HAD A FEW QUESTIONS TO ASK AND  
JUST TO ENGAGE WITH SOME OF THE YOUTH  
MEMBERS AND A FEW ELDERS OF THE CHURCH.  
HERE'S WHAT THEY HAD TO SAY...



**Interviewee: Representing ooTata-  
Mr Wilson Tokota**

**Interviewer: What would you have  
done earlier on in life that you  
think can help young people be  
established and successful?**

**Mr Tokota:** We live a life full of  
challenges. I'd say that a person  
needs to stick to the discipline and  
teachings of what they have been  
taught at home and in the church  
no matter where they go, and not  
succumb to the pressures that  
come from the world, and in going  
to Varsity etc. I grew up in a very  
difficult environment, I taught  
myself most of the things that  
you'd learn from home and church,  
unfortunately at that time

*ndandingeka kholwa. Ismilo  
siyamakha umntana, mazi umntu  
omdala. The book of Proverbs  
dwells a lot on discipline. My  
advice is for you to stick to the  
word of God and the teachings of  
the church and the elderly. To be  
successful, you need to tell  
yourself that you are successful,  
umntu uyaphumelela xa ezimisele.  
No matter the situation, when you  
have told yourself that you will be  
successful in a certain situation,  
the Lord helps you. Listen to the  
teachings of the word of God at  
church, ziyakha izinto esiziva  
kwabakhonzi bakaThixo. As  
society, we expect a lot from you,  
sijonge kuni uba kuphume*

*doctors, cabinet ministers and  
presidents of the country, but what  
is important yinto yokuhlala  
kuThixo, nokuzimisela- That's  
what establishes success. As  
parents we wish that the Lord  
would work kuni and your future.*

*Growing up in poverty was not  
easy, but I have seen the works of  
the Lord in my life, today I have  
businesses and it is only through  
God's grace that I am where I am  
today. Who would have thought  
that today I would have*

*employees, but ndincedwa  
kukuhlala kuThixo. Never  
undermine umntu ka Thixo.*

*Bantwana bam, hhalani kuThixo  
nani uzoni nceda, liphelile ixesha,  
uThixo makabuye niseNkosini.*

*God bless you.*



**Interviewer: What would you advise a young man facing or  
who feels like they are facing the pressure of getting  
married, but don't know how they can go about it without  
going against what is right according to the Bible? What  
way forward would you give them?**

**Mr Tokota:** I like saying that the Bible is our manual in life,  
if you don't read it, you won't be able to navigate such  
things. In answering the facing of pressure part, the book  
of Philippians 4:6, says "Do not be anxious about  
anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition,  
with thanksgiving, present your requests to God" Wenza  
njalo ke umntu osindisiweyo, learn to control yourself and  
not succumb kwizinto ozibona zisenziwa lihlabathi.

Matthew 6:34, says "Therefore do not worry about  
tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day  
has enough trouble of its own" Afunekanga ubone izinto  
ezensiwa by your friends ufune nawe uzenza, ubone ba  
hay ichommie zam zitshatile nawe ufuna ukwenza lonto.  
In speaking further about this pressure of getting married,  
we go to the book of Mark 10:9, which says "Therefore  
what God has joined together, man must not separate"  
Marriage is a Godly thing, ayoethu, that is why I say you  
cannot just follow the pressure of the world, but guqa  
ngedolo uye kuThixo when wanting to get married. I am

trying ukunixhobisa uba nikhule ngelizwi, umfazi  
uyacelwa kuThixo uthandaze. Lindela ixesha lakho,  
ungabukeli izinto ezensiwa lulutsha ngaphandle. Zazi  
ukuba ungu mntana ka Thixo, usindisiwe, unomehluko,  
funeka wenze izinto ezinomehluko, that is what will build  
you.



**Interviewee: Representing ooMama- Mrs Ollo Mkhabile**

**Interviewer:** If you were still young and, in the youth, what would you do to make it different than what it is now?

**Mrs Mkhabile:** I would do better, I would serve God wholeheartedly, ngoba ndityhilekelwe ngoku, uThixo has done great things, waziveza empilweni yam. Ndingathemba yena yedwa, ndingazithembu ichommie and all the worldly things. I would strive to live a life of holiness, and not cheat the Lord ndicinge kuba ndizifihlile ebantwini, uThixo akandiboni. I would rely on the Lord and do away with the pressures of the world. I would serve him wholeheartedly, not to please the leadership or abakhonzi bakaThixo, ndingenzeli isquad. Kungathi because isquad doesn't want to go to church and have postponed going to church nam ndibekulo postponement. I believe that I would not have gone through the pains of the world, trying to pave the way for my adult life if I had stuck to just serving the Lord wholeheartedly and being faithful to Him. I would just stay in the word of the Lord and not seek the treasures of the world myself. Lay your crowns and worship Him in truth. I would just like to say, uThixo uproud ngani youth encame konke , yazinikela KUYE wholeheartedly.

**Interviewer:** Can you highlight the importance of serving in the church as a young person?

**Mrs Mkhabile:** The Bible says, "Mbonge uYehova ngemini zebutsha bakho, ingekafiki imini owothi Ayindiyolele" It was in the heart of the Lord from the beginning, that the youth serve the Lord wholeheartedly. You have plenty of time to serve the Lord. You face many expectations, the devil wants to manipulate you because he knows you are young and energetic, and wants you to serve him, thus you face many temptations. It's better to hide yourself in the presence of the Lord, the devil is tempting you with all sorts of things, with the intention to destroy you. Serving is not for grannies or couples only , but for the youth, to do revivals and bring people to the house of the Lord.

When you partake in church activities, singing,dancing and going out to revivals , you bring that vibe and energy. Just imagine elderly people, who go out and evangelise for souls,

bagobile, bashwabene, abasena mandla wethomoyi, who is going to be attracted and excited for that? When for example we put people kwi ushering, we put the young people, makeup and eyelashes are on fleek, they bring that excitement to everyone that's coming in, that the house of the Lord ayondawo yoborekela. The person coming in for the first time is mesmerised, and they find life in the place. People have that mindset that the church is a place for old or sick people, and that the energetic, young people are supposed to go dance in taverns, we need to do away with that mindset. So uthi umntu xa engena emnyango, abone usher inxibe iheels, inuka kamnandi, uthi eshumayela umshumayeli abe seqonda "wow undi welcome kamnandi usister, ndiphile ndingenya, kuyaphilwa apha", This person feels this way, ngoba wenzwe yi usher esemnyango who's young and vibrant, we need eza usher zizobaleka ezizobamba uMam'Mkhabile xa esiwa ephethwe ngumoya. That media team that's running around, which granny is going to do that? For example, as a married person it's not easy serving because you are kind of limited by so many things within that, but as a young person you have no limits. The Bible says seek the kingdom of God first and everything else shall follow, zizofika ezi moto that you want and all the houses etc but seek the kingdom of God first and serve! Zenzele inceba, dwell and serve in the house of the Lord, and all the good and mercy of the Lord shall follow you, there are benefits in doing that.

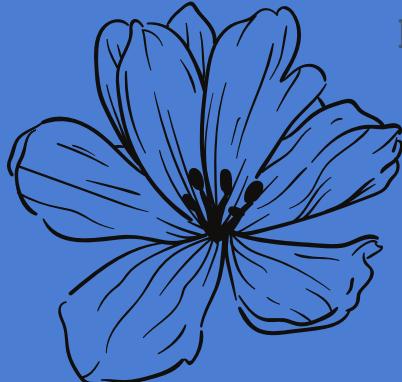


**Interviewee: Representing the Lillies- Pam Gqola**

**Interviewer:** As a person who got saved from a young age, how would you introduce young people who want to be saved to God? What is the one thing you would say?

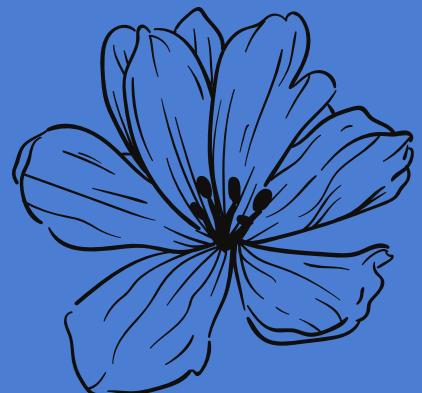
Pam: I was born again at the age of 15 years. You know what God loves you so much that He sent His only son, Jesus, to die on the cross for your sins. It's not about being perfect or following a bunch of rules. It's about surrendering your life to Jesus and letting Him guide you.

It is the best decision of your life. (Romans 10:8)



**Interviewer:** Young people face many challenges, what would you say is the one thing they can do to tackle those challenges?

Pam: You are stronger than you think yazi, smarter than you know and braver than you feel. You are capable of overcoming any obstacles, achieving any goals and rising above any circumstances. Remember that every challenge is an opportunity to grow, to learn and become a better version of yourself. Please don't give up, don't lose faith, don't let fear hold you back. (Isaiah 40:31)





Interviewee: Representing the youth- Asanda Dyasophu  
Interviewer: What is your understanding of salvation and the purpose of serving in the house of the Lord?  
Asanda: Salvation to me means the redemption of my soul from sin and ultimately achieving eternal life and unity with God. Serving in the house of the Lord in my understanding includes just giving yourself to work and participating in the things of the house of the Lord. It is about expressing gratitude to God by serving, and just contributing to the Lord's work.

Interviewer: After making the decision of being saved and born again, what would you say was your earliest experience of God?  
Asanda: My earliest experience of God was the feeling of a great sense of peace and joy after making a commitment of faith to God, I was filled with happiness for what was about to come out of the decision I had made.



Interviewee: Representing the youth- Azizipho Mhali

Interviewer: What is the one thing that keeps you rooted in your faith, and not turn to the pressures of the world?

Azizipho: Well, I always say the best math you can learn is to calculate the future costs of current decisions which helps me to always base my decisions in knowing what will never make me to see my Canaan, however one can always know what will take them to heaven and what will not and precisely decide on that. I mean we all want to make it to heaven as a lifetime home one day therefore, I make sure to act so and keep the focus always. Lastly I keep in mind that wherever I go, I represent my dad who raised me alone so well, I owe it to him, I represent my church, my role models Dr CA Mngxaso and Lady Bishop Mngxaso, though I cannot trust myself fully enough to do best in these, the Holy Spirit is my best friend.

Interviewer: Whose story in the Bible do you think you resonate the most with and why?

Azizipho: The story of women who slept and her baby was changed 1st Kings 3:2, And in the morning when I tried to nurse my son, he was dead! But when I looked more closely in the morning light, I saw that it wasn't my son at all. As a step child you'll learn to always be misinterpreted and find comfort in that none of the things you say matter, to add on that you are also not important anyway and whoever is doing the opposite of that, like trying to notice of you, you always make sure you avoid them at all costs because you know the baby in you is a dead child. It was until 2021 when Lady Bishop (she's everything to me) preached this message, my life was changed. Believe me I am not there yet, but I know the Dead child is not in me, I matter, the things I say matter, my thoughts matter, I must just navigate the right candidates because I have not done anything, yet nations will know the dead child was never really in me.

# Newsletter

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## CLASSIFIEDS

Family, Divine has produced a bunch of business owners, the bosses themselves, abantu bakwa self-employed. People full of talent and skill, and who are on their way to the top. In the house of the Lord, we believe in supporting one another and uplifting each other no matter what, another person's growth and success could be an inspiration to others and a life-changing moment for the business owner who wakes up every day and works hard. Please check out our CEOs and their businesses, and support them, feel free to contact them for any enquiries, all their details are on their posters below. It takes faith and a village for growth to take place.

But before we get into that, here's some business advice, from our very own Mompreneur, Mrs Noludwe Dweza Maki:



MY NAME IS NOLUDWE MAKI KNOWN AS DWEZA M, A FULL TIME NETWORK MARKETER SINCE 2021.

Business advice for the young entrepreneurs

In terms of business, you have to be honest and loyal to yourself, you need to be loyal to your brand. If you have a goal or an idea stick to it, stick with the plan. Not every business out there is for you. Stick to what speaks to you, stick to what you love. Know your WHY when you want to start a business because when your encounter challenges your WHY will keep you rooted. You have to understand that there's going to be good and bad times in any business so be ready to be able to ride in every challenge.

Those who love to sell you must keep these points in mind:

- Strangers are more supporters than family and friends
- Not everyone is your customer and that's Okay.
- Know your target market
- A closed shop never makes sales
- When you get a chance of sales, make sure you deliver on time because that customer may recommend to someone and that will mean more sales for you.
- "Be your own cheerleader, it will keep you going even when the crowd disappears, and you are left alone."

Thank you 🙏



*Inam: Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future"*

*Interviewer: If a person would come up to you at school, and ask you about God and salvation, what is the first thing you'd tell them?*

*Inam: Giving your life to God is the best decision you could make. Turning away from your sinful ways and embarking on this journey with God is an experience you could look forward to; however, the salvation journey does have its ups and downs, it's highs and lows but with your head held up high and with a little bit of faith, it becomes slightly easier. It is more than just saying you're Christian or you're saved, it's all about living holy, praying, praising, doing less of worldly things. Living your life for God comes with a lot of joy, grace, lightweight burdens, success and a whole more of good things you could think of, but it all starts with accepting God as your Lord and saviour. I'm a living testimony of God's grace, God has carried me this far and he can carry you too. God is real, you just have to believe it in your heart.*

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# FROM THE YOUTH LEADERS TO THE YOUTH

A few words from our various youth leaders, dedicated to the youth of Divine Life Restoration Centre.

## Kanya Qwalela

**Young warriors! Remember that you are loved, cherished, and created for a purpose. God has a plan to prosper you, not to harm you (Jeremiah 29:11). You are the light of the world, and your generation needs your uniqueness, talents, and passion. Don't be afraid to stand up for your faith, even when it's hard. You are the salt of the earth, and your presence can bring favour and joy to those around you (Matthew 5:13-16).**

**Remember that you are not alone; God is always with you, guiding and supporting you. He says, "I will never leave you nor forsake you" (Joshua 1:5). Keep shining your light, and never lose sight of your identity in Christ. You are His workmanship, created to do good works (Ephesians 2:10).**

**Stay strong, stay faithful, and stay blessed.**



## Siphesihle Gugushe

**Seek God's will in every decision making. If we want perfect direction in life, in all our ways we should acknowledge the Lord.**

**Put your trust in the Lord and align your plans with His and everything will fall into place.**

**Proverbs 3:5-6 “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways submit to him and He will make your paths straight.”**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

HERE'S WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO FOR THE YEAR 2024 AS THE YOUTH. DIARISE AND TAKE NOTE OF THESE, BECAUSE YOU SURELY DO NOT WANT TO MISS OUT!

1. Youth camp 2024: Yes, you read right! The youth will be having a camp in September 2024 at a Country House just a few minutes outside Queenstown. We will be going there for a weekend (2 nights) and partaking in numerous activities. The current estimated amount is R500 per person, inclusive of food, accommodation and transport, please note this is only an estimated amount, more details regarding the camp will be announced at the end of this month. Additionally, there will be t-shirts available to be purchased at R180 each for the camp, pre-orders and sales will be going live in July. You do not want to miss out on this one, it will be a great experience. So, save those coins and get ready to join us! Do purchase those t-shirts as well, you will not regret it! All these details are subject to



Horses



change  
Outdoor braai & boma



Pools



2. Girls' pyjama night: Girls, this one is for you. Get ready to join us at an awesome night of girl chats, and a night full of praise and worship. More details to follow.

3. Youth closing function: the youth will be having an end-year event and exam prayer in November 2024. More details will follow in due time.



Enjoy our 3km or 8 km walk or trail run.



Take in our majestic scenery.



Enjoy & photograph the birds of the area.

Relax in our lovely gardens & enjoy a dip in our natural pool.



African  
Sunset

# WORD OF THE DAY: VUKA UBANGENE!

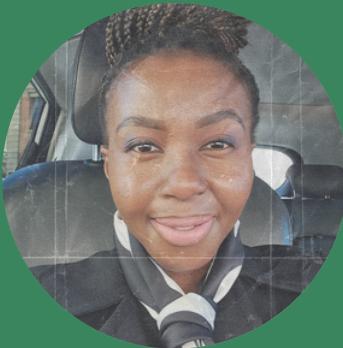


Daily dose of love and motivation. Wake up and cease the day. We hope you find some courage and strength from these.

1. “Umbrellas do not stop the rain, but instead they allow us to walk in the rain without being wet. Just like prayer, it doesn’t stop our challenges, but instead it makes us strong enough to walk through them. Don’t stop praying, ungamncami uThixo!”
2. “Sometimes all you can do is leave it in God’s hands and be still” (Psalms 46:10)
3. “Uyakhumbula ulila ucela umsebenzi kuThixo, namhlanje uyasebenza. Uyakhumbula ucela uThixo akukhulule kwimeko ethile, namhlanje ukhululiwe. Sometimes we need to remind ourselves of the times God answered our prayers and changed our circumstances.”
4. “Your feet are about to be planted in rooms NO ONE thought you were qualified for. He qualifies the unqualified.”
5. Isaiah 41:10- “Don’t panic. I’m with you. There’s no need to fear for I’m your God. I’ll give you strength. I’ll help you. I’ll hold you steady, keep a firm grip on you.”
6. Micah 7:7- “But me, I’m not giving up. I’m sticking around to see what God will do. I’m waiting for God to make things right.”
7. “Don’t be afraid to ask God for what you want, He is able.” (Ephesians 3:20).
8. “His grace is strong enough to pick us up. He makes a way.”
9. “Keep the faith and keep going, you’ve got this!”
10. “You better walk into that room like God sent you in there.”

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