



## 2019 FIRST EDITION CATALOGUE



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## *THE IDEA OF PCN*

Purposeful camp Namibia all started with a 10 minute WhatsApp voice note from Ndakondja Uusiku. He was supposedly studying at 03:00, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2019, when the thought popped up; a thought that has yielded enthusiasm and passion for change. The initial idea was to have a gathering of young people who would share knowledge on different aspects. Shortly after sharing the idea with Tuilika Andreas, Paulina Hambata and Jane Hango, a meeting was set up. It is noteworthy to understand that all these three were merely acquaintances, who knew of their great characters and previous work in other organizations.

The name Purposeful Camp Namibia was not hard to come by, given that the overall objective of the initiative is to create, groom and nurture purposeful and intentional youth. The themes of PCN were also established on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June, on which the co-founders began to brainstorm how the camp would be rolled out. PCN strives to serve the youth with knowledge and practical skills on Personal Development and Emotional Intelligence, Personal and Communal Leadership, Public Speaking and Effective Communication as well as Entrepreneurship and Financial Literacy. 2020's edition will continue the torch with these aspects, with an added twist of Contemporary Social Issues that have made headlines and need to be addressed. The themes stem from a dire need to instill information that is not included in mainstream/formal education, let alone in an average Namibian household.

The camp's target audience was envisioned and established to be the 15-20 age group. This allows us to groom those entering the stages of high school and university.

Overall, PCN seeks to send out confident and powerful influencers, trailblazers, positive disruptors and innovative alumni into the mainstream youth development sphere of Namibia. We aim to assist in self-discovery and growth, nurture potential public speakers, create business-oriented atmosphere and an understanding of what true leadership looks like.



The brains behind Purposeful Camp Namibia.

## *MEET THE BRAINS BEHIND PCN*



**NDAKONDJA UUSIKU**

**Founder and Chairperson**

**My role as the Chairperson and Founder of the organization is to oversee that the general mandate of the organization is being achieved. I am also responsible for Stakeholder engagement with our various external stakeholders. I also provide lectures on Entrepreneurship and Financial Literacy. On a personal level Purposeful Camp Namibia NA has shown me the amazing life of bringing an idea to life. Through the work I do for the organization I have learned that you can achieve whatever you put your mind. And the most beautiful part of being part of The PCN team is saying the participants lives transform into Men and Women of Magnitude and being part of the positive change that is helping in the transformation of Namibia.**



**JANE HANGO**

**Vice Chairperson/ Manager of Finance**

**My role is to assist the chairperson in organising the work programme of the organisation to which they have been appointed and ensure within the terms of the organization's scheme of delegation that the programme has been completed. In addition, it is to produce financial reports related to budgets, account payables, expenses, incomes etc. and developing long-term business plans based on these reports. I am also responsible for facilitating leadership lectures that revolve around equipping the youth about self-leadership and team leadership. Purposeful camp Namibia is a dream come true for me. It gives me a sense of purpose and reason to live. The ability to help develop someone's ability to thrive by equipping them mentally is unmeasurable. The ability to contribute to building Namibia by endowing it's youth's mental strength and capability is inexpressible. PCN means I am playing my role in the development of Namibia and Africa at my age. It's beautiful.**





**TUILIKA ANDREAS**

**Project Coordinator**

My role in Purposeful Camp Namibia ranges from overseeing proposed plans, following up on decisions taken, contributing to discussions and decision-making, growing and advertising the brand, forming strategic alliances, and on a larger scale, marketing of the organization as I work mostly with the social networking platforms. Moving to the capital city for university has presented various opportunities to me, some that contributed greatly to the perspective I now have toward life. I met Paulina Hambata and Jane Hango in Medical school, and Ndakondja Uusiku, well, through a very successful Instagram direct message. Together, we united our strengths to establish Purposeful Institute Africa. I must admit that working with this team has been the epitome of my lifetime knowledge on teamwork and collaboration. Being the Project Coordinator of Purposeful Camp Namibia, I have learned the importance of time constraints and primarily that it is the cooperative functioning of the team that brings every project to life. Most of my tasks were manageable, with realistic set goals and timelines. I love the fact that the team has preserved a professional

relationship, while simultaneously having personal affiliations to one another. This is the relationship that has kept the vision alive amongst us, giving us all inspiration to complete tasks at hand.



**PAULINA HAMBATA**

**Public Relations Officer**

My role in PCN is to disseminate information, draft important documents such as sponsorship letters, communication to the applicants and alumni, as well as to other stakeholders. I am also known as the “lady behind the emails”. I also facilitate the Public Speaking and Effective Communication lectures during the camp sessions. Being a part of Purposeful Camp Namibia has taught me the true essence of effective teamwork, decision-making and action-oriented work. Taking up the role of Public Relations has taught me the vitality of clear and concise information sharing, and has greatly enhanced my personal writing and editing skills. The team is absolutely close to my heart and makes our overall work easy and above all, efficient. Being an integral part of the youthful population makes me feel obligated to do my very best to ensure that while we are equipping ourselves, we do not leave our peers behind, hence I did not hesitate to work with Ndakondja, Jane and Tuilika. We have become a family, including the staff, our guardians and the alumni. It is beautiful to

**witness how the PCN family continuously  
supports each other on different platforms.**

## *THE PATRON'S CORNER*



**HON. TOM ALWEENDO**

**Minister of Mines and Energy: Republic of Namibia**

### **Patron of Purposeful Camp Namibia**

To the founders: It gives me immense pleasure in writing this congratulatory message to the founders of PCN for their first catalogue. I take note of the great responsibility and moral uptightness that is required to successfully be part of the solution in regards to 21<sup>st</sup> century social issues that young people are battling with on the day to day basis. They have set out to implement, develop and instill a course of action that is transformational for their own generation. I would like to applaud them, most importantly, for their courage, and for their fervent desire to lead, and be led.

My experience with working with the PCN team: I must admit that I have been taken aback by the team's passion and proactivity. They depicted persistence, maturity and excellence through the implementation of their idea. The way they presented themselves spoke volumes about their passion in what they believed will lead them into their ultimate destination.

To the 2019 Alumni: Take up the torch that has been ignited by your counterparts and strive to work towards your purpose. The camp may have given you insight on how to take responsibility for your life, but it should not be the end of your journey to self-discovery and growth. Greatness is only followed by consistency, and will only dwell in those who wholeheartedly have a passion for it, a humble heart, and finally, a spirit of resilience. Continue to explore boundless possibilities, invent, initiate, and implement. You are the future.

## *THE TECHNICAL TEAM*



**PRINCE EELU**

### **Course Coordinator**

My role in PCN is to offer technical assistance with lecture setting up. I also assist Ndakondja with the financial literacy lectures, with special emphasis on investments. PCN is a platform to learn and share knowledge, and I was so thrilled to be asked to be a permanent staff member. The overall team is amazing and the 2019 edition has definitely been an indescribable, yet purposeful experience. I thought my holiday was being cut short, but it turned out to be greater than I imagined.



**MAGANO KAFULA**

### **Outdoor Activities Coordinator**

PCN is an amazing platform for one to learn and unlearn, a safe space to be educated on the ultimate basics of life as a youth. I had a wonderful and exciting experience with the 2019 group, so much learning and fun as well. It's an experience to be treasured. I love how well we work together, the team work is really great. Being part of the team has really taught me to engage on different levels with the members, critically think and have fun as well. I'm honored to be part of a team of brilliant and humble people.





**BONGUMENZI SIPHIWOSAMI  
KHUMALO**

#### **Head of Accomodation**

PCN was an amazing experience for me because i have never been part of a youth empowerment programme and meeting youth that is so goal driven and seeking knowledge was just astonishing. It was also an emotional experience as well, seeing how much we had done for the participants. What I appreciate most about being part of the PCN team is that we have unity and we just get along in the most beautiful way possible, we understand and love each other so much and plus we have great laughs together.



**ANNA OTTO**

#### **Course Coordinator**

My experience during my journey with PCN organization is well shaping, and by this I mean that it has taught me so much that have shaped me into a better version of myself. It touches on almost everything, basic matters, most importantly it has prepared me well on things that negatively affect the youth, how to handle such negativity and on how to prevent yourself from following such wrong trends. It further taught me how to work together as a team because PCN is a “family by choice”. As the theme clearly stipulates “Purpose, Passion and Proactivity” it is what the PCN team is all about and that is what I actually appreciate being part of them. We work together as team, working towards a common goal in achieving an aim.



**MATHEWS KAMBUZE**

### **Recreational Activities**

I am at a loss of words when it comes to describing my experience on the PCN camp. I love the fact that the participants were easy going and respectful towards my fellow team members. Every member of the team has something unique to contribute making PCN complete! For me that is the most outstanding thing.



**AINLEY INDILA AMUNYELA**

### **Culinary department**

It was undoubtedly one of the best weeks of my year. The people, experiences, sessions, venue... everything was just a wow - the planning, dedication and passion that went into it was evident at every corner. I left with a full heart. I love that I get to be a part of a team individuals who are taking up space, shaking tables and shattering glass ceilings both through the work they do with PCN and in other areas of their lives. I appreciate the connections that have been formed or deepened and am mostly glad that I get to live out my hearts yearning to contribute to the acceleration of youth development in Namibia.



**NABOT TOMAS**  
**Recreational Activities**

PCN has been a real different journey because it was the first time youth were running a camp for their peers or fellow youth. I knew from the moment that I was invited to join the team that I was going to have the experience of my life and I truly had the experience that I anticipated. I got to be part of a camp that seemed like it was impossible to pull off but in the end exceeded all expectation. I appreciate the fact that I got to be part of a team where each and every member knows that they have a special contribution towards the success of the camp and understand that we are working with young lives that need to be moulded properly for the future.

## OUR GUARDIANS



### FIKAMENI MATIAS

While I've deliberately not been on the ground with day to day administration matters regarding PCN and the organizing of the first camp, I take my hat off for the team that spent sleepless nights to firstly; bring together young people, and secondly; host a camp that will go down as a foundation of many more resounding successes. What I saw was young people, and I mean very young people, speaking to matters affecting their peers and sharing what they best know and think is the right way to be a productive and determined youth. While experience and wisdom is best shared by elders who have a point of reference, youth-to-youth indabas remain pivotal in lighting the potential in every young person. Growth is best shared the elder, but better understood and easy to walk when narrated by your peer. It was indeed an exciting experience and I can only wish the primary organizers and attendees' strength, self-faith, growth and determination to reach their dreams.



### LILLY MAREKA MASULE

If anyone had to ask me what working with the PCN team has been like, I'd say that it's definitely been one of my biggest highlights. Working with a team of vibrant, young, energetic yet crazy intelligent and bold 19year olds is most certainly something to mark down as a success in our company's year book. The team consists of different personalities all bringing different items to the table to make this one body work. They all love and respect each other and it's made it easier for us at IlotuFix Fitness Program to collaborate with PCN to contribute to making their time at Waterberg a success. They're all great chefs and filled with so much knowledge on self-empowerment. It's an A+ from us!





### **JUSTINE ANDREAS**

As the name clearly says Purposeful camp, it was indeed very purposeful for the kids and for myself. When I went there I thought I was going to transfer the knowledge that I have, but to my surprise I ended up receiving more knowledge from the organisers and the kids themselves...one word that still come out of my mouth when thinking about the whole experience is "Wow". this camp was indeed very purposeful...Especially for the fact that transformation took place in the kids life. Personally I give all glory to God for such a transformational camp in Namibia.



### **ANNA-MARIE PHILANDER**

It was indeed an honor assisting this team of extraordinary leaders through my sessions presented on "Forgiveness" and "Purpose" - cultivating greatness from within as well as guiding participants how to forgive and helping them to see themselves through God's eyes. Each one - uniquely gifted with a divine purpose.

## ***MEET THE CLASS OF 2019 (FIRST CLASS)***



### **SHINDINGENI GOTTLIEB SHIFIONA**

I was one of the luckiest candidate to be chosen to attend the very first PCN last year. The camp was good and everything was phenomenal. All I have been wishing to happen truly happened. I usually have that fear of public speaking, but after camp, Ms Hambata drove away that fear. Leadership is one thing everyone needs to have, and although before the camp I use to call myself a leader, without knowing more leadership skills. So during the camp Ms. Hango instilled some in me. The investment and financial freedom presentation by Mr. Eelu and Mr. Uusiku was a life changing presentation; I really learned a lot. The presentations on emotional intelligence by Ms. Justine and our PCN Mom were more than 100% life building and soul strengthening. In addition, all PCN team members were extraordinary. All the games especially the one titled “Gratitude” and all the health services the camp gave us were unforgettable. I am still on my way of giving back to the society in connection with all my experience I got from PCN. My financial, public and social networking increased with 20%. PCN was the second camp I attended and it changed me. Only if it was possible I will say everyone

mostly teenagers should attend PCN, or it should be hosted even more than four times a year. THE CAMP WAS JUST PHENOMENAL AND WELL ORGANISED!!



### **LEENA NAGENDJI SHIKONGO**

Each and every moment I spent at PCN was a highlight, but the best of them was the night before the day of departure. That night was most definitely a memorable one, seeing how everyone expressed their heartfelt emotions towards PCN and realizing how much impact it has done to our lives as individuals was so spectacular. It was filled with so much happiness, gratitude and sadness because it was our last night at the camp and not to forget the delightful food we got. The greatest lesson I learned is that no dream of yours is ever too big to accomplish. Dreams are for free, so GO FOR IT! Do not hesitate, just do it! Put God first and all things shall flow. With the knowledge that I’ve acquired at PCN, I am planning on pursuing my passion for public speaking and becoming the best at it.



### ANNA NDARA

Every day at PCN was a remarkable highlight it was indeed the ultimate purposeful experience! Waking up seeing the magnificent nature and God's beautiful creations. Some of my best highlights are, climbing up the hill it was a major struggle for me at the beginning I could literally taste the blood in my mouth on the first day but when I heard the positive comments people around me were saying it boosted me and I made my way up till our destination. The gala dinner, it was so emotional reflecting on all the days we've spent together as a family. The color festival is also one of my favourite highlights as it was the first colour festival I ever attended, teaching my pals how to dance was a great feeling. Lastly, all lectures/lessons we had each day was a highlight, I gained more knowledge and enhanced the way I see things in life and did I mention the food was delicious and the oros just hit the right spot. At PCN I learned that I'm actually more than what I thought I was. I realised that I didn't attend the camp by luck but by God's purpose. I learned to love and accept myself and that all negative things society says about me do not define me. I learned that there is more to life than just being on gadgets. So far my charity organization is up and running again and this time it's not going to slack as I gained all the knowledge I need to have to be a great leader and I set a team that I can work with. My organization AUNI AZIZI has two branches one in Rundu and one in Walvis Bay. Two of our projects were supposed to take place

during the April holiday which is a Mentorship program in Walvis Bay and a Youth seminar but unfortunately due to the current situation we had to put all our programs on hold and just do some online preparations. Furthermore I share my PCN wisdom with the people around me and I also practice it into my day to day life such as expressing gratitude every day.

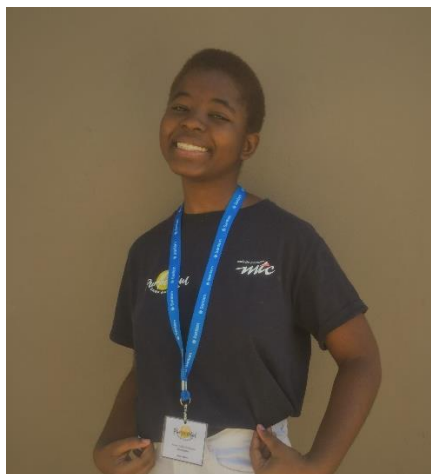


### NDELIPEWA N. MUNGOBA

My best PCN highlight were the exercises, coloring party, games as they all had a message in them as well as the gala dinner. The greatest lesson learned I learned in PCN was to follow my dreams and bring them into existence, exactly the time I discovered them, as I do not need to wait till I grow up as I am not the only one with good thoughts nor plans. I also learned to provoke my dreams and mostly importantly to fear God and appreciate all the good things done upon me. Well with the knowledge and experience, I got from PCN I started up a youth organization which is more of a Youth Age Home, I am still busy with all the procedures, like the constitution in order for me to register it at NYC.

Ndeli came up with the popular phrase: "Touching lives before touching money."

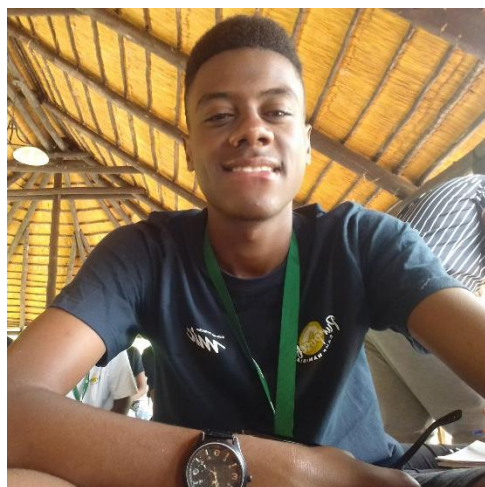




### **SALLY HASHIYANA**

With God in my life, I believe that he is taking care of the steps I take to reach a greater destiny that lives within myself. I am truly grateful for being a participant of the 2019 Purposeful Camp Namibia experience. This life experience has changed me with explicit esteem towards my behaviour, my inner capabilities and to mold my self-development with purpose and proactive approaches. I lived up to each day as it came gifted knowing that I was going to discover something new which will have an impact in my lifetime. One of the best shared moments I have had with the rest of the participants including the PCN alumni was throughout that week receiving lectures on different themes that are significant in our livelihood. From personal development to financial literacy. Secondly, mountain climbing with the whole team. Devotion up there brought unity and peace in our hearts. Moreover, sharing our testimonies on the evening of the Gala dinner of our overall experience. Never have I felt so much so much love and joy during that moment as we shed tears, soon it being our departure, yet the friends that became family. The greatest lesson I've learned is that we are rooted and immovable. We are gifted with God-empowered abilities to create an impact in our lives. With the life-changing knowledge, I unlocked what my passion stands out for instead of limiting what I am capable of. I wrote a book "Dare to dream, drive to learn and devote to prioritize" right after coming back from camp. Is it currently still

working process which will soon be published. I will continue to progress with dynamic activities. A privilege to do something life-changing. Purposeful Camp Namibia, changing lives with purpose, proactivity and meaningful wisdom.



### **RIVALDO KAVANGA**

Purposeful Camp Namibia was an extraordinary experience. The greatest highlights were often the games we played after the lectures. These were educational games in which we exercised what we learned from the lessons. The game of gratitude was by far the most eye-opening game, we formed a circle and each had to put our left shoes in it, then we had to run and obtain a different random shoe and we then had to come to the middle, ask whom shoe it was and put it back on the person's foot while giving a special message about the person and a gratitude message. I've learned so many lessons at PCN but the highlight was the vital lesson on Public Speaking, it was an eye opener on how essential and vital Public Speaking skills are. I have shared my knowledge obtained at PCN with my peers and I intend to only develop the skills I obtained at PCN more. Purposeful Camp Namibia: the ultimate purposeful experience.





### **ALETTA XWANDA**

There was great enthusiasm and expectations towards the camp. It was not long I started meeting my expectations as the lecture began and part of it were physical activities that were very meaningful. My best culminations during the camp were when we popped and threw away the lies people tell us, the lesson taught after mountain hiking and the gratitude shared at the gala dinner. My greatest lesson was on leadership. It was indeed a great lesson as I got to know that as a good leader one should have a kind heart and a tough mind and they shouldn't be above the people, but they should be at the same level as the followers. The other lesson had to do with financial management and it says "your network is your net worth. It was indeed an amazing experience and by the end of the camp all my expectations were met. After PCN, I became a member of a charity organization, I got rid of my insecurities, I became a better leader and I am now a founder of TYC.



### **SIRKKA MULUNDU**

I am one of the privileged participants to attend the first edition of PCN. My best PCN Highlights were:

1. The morning exercises and Zumba dances by Coach Lilly.
2. The discussions that we had every night around the fire.
3. The lectures we had.

My greatest lesson learned at PCN was: When we went for hiking. At first we took the wrong path without knowing. And only after realizing it, it left us all perplexed. We then turned back and followed the right path. This taught us that in life we take the wrong path until we can't go any further. We then have to turn back in order to have a better look from the top of the mountain. With the knowledge gained at PCN I practiced Public Speaking Skills at my former school about hygiene and PCN and still looking forward to practice the rest of the skills.



### NAOMI HAIKERA

My best PCN Highlights were the lessons especially the topic of emotional intelligence that was held on day 2 by Justine Andreas. She basically taught us about empathy, social skills, motivation, self-awareness and self-love. Hiking- I never thought that, that day I would reach the top (our destination) cause it was really tiring but what motivated me was the spirit of my fellow colleagues who kept on going as the climbing up got tougher but I said to myself that if they can make it up there so can I. It was really astonishing having our morning devotion up the mountain as we aimed to reach up at a specific time even though we first took the wrong path that had a sign we managed to go back and look for the right one. First time seeing the crack of dawn which was insanely breathtakingly. The colour fest that we held at the field was just the one. I know most of the participants will mention this as one of their best highlight especially the crazy videos of Rivaldo and MK screaming and running around. I was also the photographer. I live for the moment and I really love capturing every single happy moment that one can have forever. I mean it was a dream come true to be selected as one of the successful candidates and at some point I didn't expect to be chosen since it was a national selection but God really granted my dream. Today I stand with one of the most fine tuning words said by: Ndakondja that: one should

always have the SMART Goals plan and to never let anyone or anything come in my way when one is busy chasing their dreams and no matter who it is or what it is. Also Paulina said something about: By constant self-discipline and self-control you can develop greatness of character. Self-discipline is one of the keys to living to your full potential. If you can be disciplined with your daily actions you can achieve anything that you set your mind to. And last one was Gottlieb: he told me that the highest form of knowledge is empathy, it should be an everyday power because it's one of the most important skills one can practice in life. After the camp I decided that it was time I had to launch my campaign GIVE.US.THE.FLOOR.NAMIBIA it took me 9 months since last year to figure it out and to try and understand what I was getting myself into but with the positive mindset and the right people I got engaged with at the time I pulled it off and sooner or later Namibia will know all thanks to PCN. I've gained public speaking confidence, self-love, the power how to work with different individuals and of course to always stick my head up no matter the circumstances and to always seek the lord's name in whatever I do to be my guardian support system.

**Fun fact: The slogan “The ultimate purposeful experience” was taken from a bus at the Waterberg Resort. The bus was written: “the ultimate African experience”. Cool huh?**



**JUSTINA LEENA MULENGA**

My favourite PCN highlights were mainly the devotion on the mountain top with Aunty Annemarie and the emotional Gala Dinner where we reflected on our favorite camp memories and shared our stories with each other. What I've learned from PCN is to embrace who you are and that teamwork is vital if you want to go far. There is something else that also stuck in me which is "You are never too young to go for your dreams." I intend to share the knowledge I've gotten from PCN be it through talking, a blog or anything of such sorts. I also want to give back to my community like what the PCN staff has done, you know touching lives before money. I may not do it today or tomorrow but I know I will do it.



**REMALIA M. CHINGUFO**

My best highlight was the balloon game - we wrote lies we believed about ourselves on balloons, and then popped the balloons as a way of letting go of such negative beliefs. For me it was eye-opening, and the start of me embracing and truly loving myself. Amongst many other things, by observing my fellow alumni and the organisers, I learnt that it is possible to be outspoken or loud and fun, and yet ambitious, focused and humble. I'm part of a group, run by a fellow PCN alumna, that's working on establishing an NGO which will focus on helping previously discouraged young adults regain their zeal, focus and hunger for success while also reminding them of their true worth. I also partnered up with another PCN alumna to establish an NGO in which our focus is empowering and equipping vulnerable children in such a way that they grow with the understanding that they too are destined for greatness.





### **LOISE SHIPEPE**

Thank you Purposeful Camp Namibia for grooming me to be a go-getter who will do anything to follow my dreams. As a 3rd financial mathematics student, I aspire to be great in the financial market and PCN has given me the starter force, I have partnered with one of my course-mate to start an investment company (Marlo investments cc) that aims to be the center of financial knowledge, create an investment mentality help people understand different investment strategies as well as to create Business intelligence mentality in the market. I recently sent the Marlo investments cc business details to Linacky Business consultancy for registration and I am therefore waiting for the accounting letter so we can start with the operations. In addition to that I also partnered up with one of my fellow PCN alumni to establish an NGO in which our focus is empowering and equipping vulnerable children in such a way that they grow with the understanding that they are too destined for greatness. Furthermore has inspired me to be the best in everything I do, having given me the idea of accountability partners, this truly

improved my academic life and PCN has made me believe in myself that indeed there's dynamite power in me, I have taken quite a lot of leadership positions especially in my campus (UNAM main campus) as PCN truly made me believe that I am unlimited and I will go there to do more and be an example of the impossible.



### **KUUNDJUAUNE KAVARI**

Best PCN highlight: My best highlight was when we got lost and we went on a wrong path looking for a way up the Mountain and just to find out we took a path with a no entry sign but at the end the day turned out to be so beautiful with the devotion on the mountain. Oh yeah we eventually found the right direction. Greatest lesson learned at PCN: Gratitude and Forgiveness. I learned that it's important to be grateful for everything that happens in life even if it's small I learned that forgiveness is important to maintain a positive life. I intend to share this knowledge with people in my community and with my friends and family and also incorporate it in my daily life. PCN: Touching lives before money.





## ELLESEN ANGULA

Purposeful Camp Namibia. What I refer to as one of my greatest achievements. The lessons and experiences I'll take to my grave. All my experiences at the camp were really memorable. But, there are two that really stuck with me. One being the simultaneous activity we did after the leadership lecture, presented by Ms Hambata. I was a really insecure girl. I lived in a world of self-doubt and self-degradation. The shoe activity gave us a chance to tell it others what we see in each other. And well, Anna Ndara said the most kindness words, which just mind me to look at myself different. Made me believe in myself. In that moment, I guess all the "What ifs" simply, disappeared. I could breathe better. The second was the Gala dinner. Our last night together. It made me happy hearing everyone share their beautiful testimonies. Some unbelievable that would bring you to your knees. Camp was like a way of God reaching out to us. Reminding us that he's still here and always will be. Because, none of us were the same after that. I felt no need to hide anymore, to be strong and found myself dwelling into the moment. I never took what people told me to heart, even if it was of God. Never believed that it was okay to let someone

who has never been in my shoes, tell me how to live past my life experiences and just allow myself to heal. But, Mr. Ndakondja Uusiku managed to get into my head. Don't view the world through one lens, he said. After that, i saw life differently. In that moment I realised that I only looked at the world through all the traumas and that's why I was unable to expand. Set myself free. I let the bad experiences determine my life, my choices. But, there was no need to live like that anymore. It was time to move to a different cage now. For that, I'll forever be dreadful to him. "Heal and find your purpose": Ms Anna Marie. Life has been different after camp. It's hard to live the same when you have all that knowledge to explore. Reminding myself that everything made by God has a purpose and if it's meant to be it will happen. So I let go of what I couldn't access and allow myself to explore differently, till eventually, I get what belongs with me. I'm living by being okay with not receiving the love I give. Nobody is obligated to feel what I'm feeling and okay with that now. I'm following my dreams and exploring new dreams. You can never be too comfortable with what you know. I'm grateful to Paulina, who held me when the thunder scared me. To Tuilika for showing me that' hope is better than giving up. Jane for showing me how power can strength looks on woman and Ndakondja, for showing me that there's more to life, then what I've lived through.

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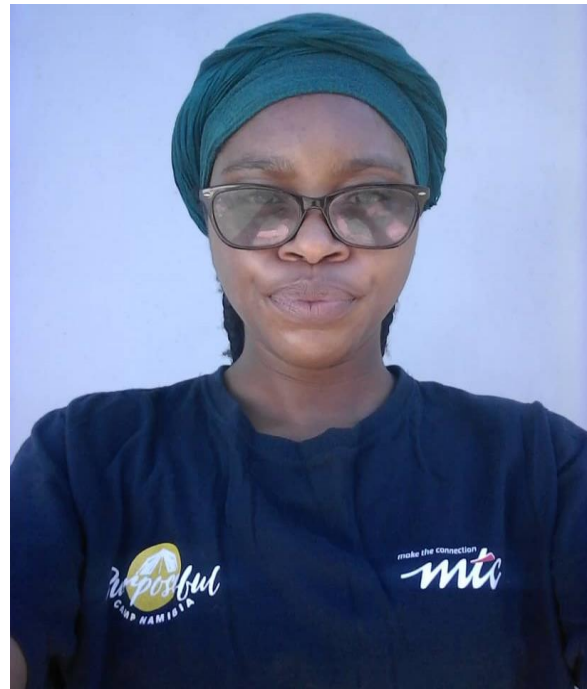
**Ellesen was recognized and awarded as the Most Purposeful Female throughout the camp.**



### ANNA-LUSIA NGONYOFI IPANGELWA

Being graced with the opportunity to attend this camp opened me to new possibilities. My experience was fulfilling and I attained a lot of lessons. We had lectures on personal development, emotional intelligence, purpose, leadership, public speaking and financial literacy. My greatest lesson learned is that my identity contributes to my purpose. Investing and working on myself every single day to mold myself into the being God intends me to be, to accomplish His purpose for my life is truly what matters. I would say my whole experience at the camp was a highlight. Every event carried its own essence of value and an opportunity for growth. From the lectures, bonding sessions, morning hikes and exercises, teamwork and even the simple games we played. However what stood out the most was the shoe game we played. The game's main moral was to just remind each other of who we are by speaking words of life into someone. What made this significant was that Paulina Hambata whom I have always admired had my shoe and as she put my shoe on my foot, she affirmed me with words that really touched my heart. What I intend to do with the PCN knowledge I gained is to apply it in every opportunity that comes my way. To hold firm on my experience as an anchor that I can use to help others and make the world a better place. I will forever be grateful to the young minds of 19 year olds that decided to hold hands and make this idea a reality. You have not only proved that we young people can take up space

but you have indeed touched lives and equipped us to go back into the world with an optimistic mind-set.



### MARIA SHIVUTE

Every moment that I spent at the Camp was stunning, it was amazing! One of my best highlights of the camp was the lesson that we got on money literacy from Ndakondja. I never really understood the importance of investing money and this was an eye-opening moment for me. During his lecture, he also stressed on the importance of noting down every cent that you spent, and this is something that I have tapped from his lecture. Mountain hiking was a moment that still gives me goose bumps whenever I think of it. It was beautifully tiring, I enjoyed every moment of it. At the end of our hike, within the beautiful mountainous nature, we had our devotion, that moment was priceless. Not to forget the morning Zumba dances, that we got from Coach Lilly, that was quite an experience. Greatest lesson learned in PCN. I learned to never underestimate the power of a young mind. Intend to do. To pass on the knowledge that I gained to other young people.



**SECILIA AMBUNDA**

Purposeful Camp Namibia NA will always remain one of the most valuable treasures in my life. My favorite highlights are mainly, devotion on the top of the mountain, the games we had in-between lectures, and yes the lectures, the bonding sessions where we reflected on the day and what we learned, and also held deep conversations. And mostly the short cuts we took to the campsite, they have taught me a lesson that I'll keep with me forever. What I have learned from PCN is that, regardless of how we may always get things right, we don't know it all, there's always one thing we can learn from the next person and I have learned to embrace that, also I have learned that it doesn't matter how long you have known a person, if you are united by a common good, then you will connect. With what I have learned from PCN, I intend to take up my space in society, to raise my voice for the voiceless. To change my community or rather uplift my community. To inspire through my service and to live by purpose. And one thing always to never let go of God, because I am because he is, and that's one this PCN has taught me to embrace openly and freely, and also I ought to teach others how to do just that as well.



**JOSEPHINA NGHIFINDAKA**

I had the greatest moments at the camp, were I genuinely enjoyed the morning fitness Zumba and the morning jogs. Also when we went for mountain hiking, which was literally my biggest fear but the moment I reached the top I had to let go of this phobia. I HAVE found a lot of meaning and gratification in Purposeful Camp Namibia, the fact that I have learned much during the lectures. Personal Development was one of the enthusiastic lectures to me, I had found great confidence in me, Self-worth, success and Self-love. And last but not least FORGIVENESS and let go of that past this can make you feel good and good memories with a different impact. Forgiveness is healing. I have joined a charity organization called Reaching Out Organization where we eventually help the less fortunate children in what we can offer because sharing is caring.





### **SARA MWANYANGAPO**

My best PCN highlight would be when we had a discussion about emotional intelligence and one of the participants felt comfortable enough to talk about her experiences and emotions. I believe it is really difficult to talk about one's traumas and sad experiences especially when they are still raw and not completely dealt with yet. It is even more difficult to talk about one's feelings without fear of being judged, especially to people that one is not really used to. We created that safe place and friendly environment for her that she felt it was safe for her to share her experiences. I have learnt a lot of lessons in PCN, but the one that stood out for me is that everyone is unique in their own way. We were different people with different interests and beliefs but we all had important opinions to bring to the table. It amazes me to have learnt that no one is more unique than another person. No matter how knowledgeable you are, I have learnt that there is always something you will have to learn from the next person, that you can never know everything. I have also learnt to some extent that we need each other to coexist. I went to PCN a loner but I definitely came back with an appreciation for the next person. I have learnt and experienced so much that has added to my growth as an individual which has put me at a better standing in life. The financial skills I have learnt really came in handy and I have now invested in a couple of SMEs. The public speaking skills have

also been helping in my daily communications which is really important because communication is key to any relationship out there. I have made it a habit to be aware of my emotions since emotional intelligence is so important. Thanks to PCN I now know it only takes one considerate person that censors what they say and considers other people's emotions to avoid conflict and avoid causing others unnecessary pain. All in all, I have really learnt a lot, experienced a lot, that I couldn't be more grateful for having had the opportunity to be part of the amazing 2019 PCN Alumni. My only hope is that more people get the opportunity that I have had, because everyone deserves the opportunity to discover the uniqueness and the potential that is in them.



### **HELLIS AMUNYELA**

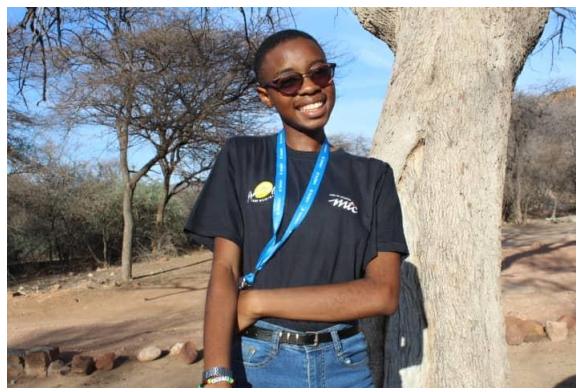
My greatest highlights were mountain hiking. I also enjoyed the time spent at the resort pool. Furthermore, the colour party was really amazing. The bonding time at the end of each day was also phenomenal. I learned a lot, especially about entrepreneurship and public speaking. With the knowledge from the camp, particularly that of entrepreneurship and financial literacy, I intend to use it one day to start a business.





### **SHALYONGWE SHANINGIKA JEREMIA**

My best PCN highlight is that I achieved many things! I got new friends and I learned how to be in touch with each other. I was even exposed to the new environment, and fell in love with nature. I learned how to be with people who I haven't met before, and learned to interact with them. My thinking capacity was broadened and my self-esteem was boosted up. My greatest lessons are: Public speaking and communication, leadership skills, money and business. I practiced being a public speaker at our school's morning devotions. I taught my fellow learners and many more on how to handle their money, how to take glossophobia away by surrounding myself with outspoken people.



### **HANGO JANET**

I was fortunate enough to be part of the PCN 2019 family. It seems almost impossible to have a best PCN highlight because the whole experience was amazing. My best highlight has to be when my colleagues and I went hiking to see the sun rise. It took a lot of courage and trust to make it to the top of the mountain with the guidance of someone you barely know. The best lesson learnt in short is, "God is very intentional and he doesn't do things just because" ~Ainley Amunyela. In December after the camp, I started a charity organization together with my sister (Jane Hango) called Reaching Out Organisation. We conducted a small sermon for the Eeshoke village children and basically taught them on ways on how to take up their rightful space from a very young age. I should say all my expectations were met and I'll forever be grateful to the PCN founders for such a life changing experience.



### **ROSA ERASTUS**

I understand this is a much needed response just like how the PCN experience was a much needed experience for me. In a way God sent me you guys to help be a better version of myself although I'm still not there I'm on my way thanks to you. What stood out most to me was all the gatherings that we had from the one where we introduced ourselves to the one lead by Justine under the "TREE OF WISDOM", I call it that because I think that was the most eye opener session I personally had. The gatherings symbolized how all our spirits were in resonance with one another and how we all had a common goal. I'm more of an emotional person and so what I plan on doing is providing a safe place for people to confide in.



### **ELIASER V. PAULUS**

Identifying one's best highlight of the camp isn't really as easy as I thought, but with no doubt it will have to be the bonfire sessions, endless conversations that reassured your existence and built ones self-esteem, all made possible by a combination of God-fearing and passion driven individuals that pushed you to reassess your life positively. Greatest lesson learnt is emotional intelligence. I for one, learned that emotional intelligence is how well you identify and manage your emotions and react to the emotions of others accordingly, these type of knowledge automatically pushed me to make amends with myself as to how I needed to interact with other people effectively. My PCN experience still keeps me up at night, I think of ways on how to put into practice, lending a helping hand to individuals who deal with mental health issues. I plan on enlightening everyone on the importance of communication and living a life with zero social tags and no insecurities.



### **CARLIN GEORGIA GOA-EISES**

I applied for PCN to find myself, the devil has a funny way of making you forget whose you are, who you are and your purpose. First year of varsity was ROUGH! I became a slave to my books. My first encounter with the participants was not like any other, they were all so nice, I know its cliché but true. The first maybe 2/3 hours of the journey everyone was sleeping BUT after having a toilet break different characters came out, we had the politicians, the business owners, peacemakers, music composers, poets etc. That's where I knew God had a divine plan. Literally the whole camp was my highlight but to name a few, let's start with the food. It wasn't a 3 course meal but I could taste the love that the crew put in, here is my grateful heart. The shoe game, was a powerful one. The power of the tongue! The hike: there was always a lesson we all learned from them. How could I forget, Ilotu fix morning workout. PCN has taught me to never judge a book by its cover. The knowledge I have acquired from the camp has given me a different outlook on life, it reminded me that I'm great and the power that lies in all of us as humans and that our

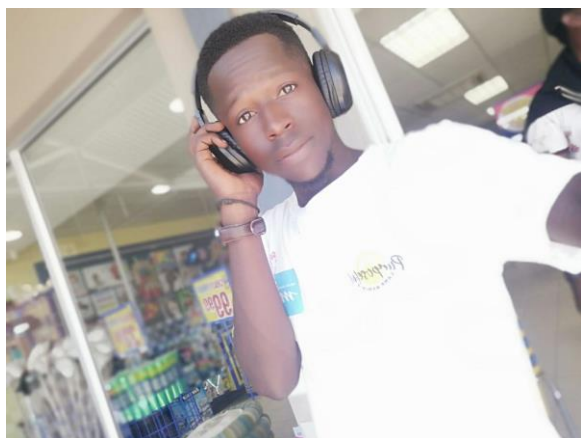
purpose in what we call life is to care and love God's people the way we love ourselves. His plans are never ours and that is why I don't know where or what I will be doing with my knowledge yet. But I know it will be something to do with the POWER OF MY VOICE. Thank you PCN.



### **JOEL NDANGI SHIIMI JNR.**

My best highlight for PCN 2019 was the colour party at the sports field. Everyone was so happy and we laughed so much and all the hugs we gave out and got were amazing. It was a true blessing. The greatest lesson at PCN has to be the fact that we can't all do it as one but we all need to have a spirit of Ubuntu. I have decided to share my knowledge for PCN on my YouTube Chanel @Joel's Vlog Shiimi and I also intend to help other human beings reach greater heights and help motivate them to be the best. I just want to remind everyone that you are beautiful, you are one of a kind; SMILE MORE.





### SHAAMENA “THE REALEST” ABISAI

Starting with prayer before and after every task namely morning jogs with Lilly, the gratitude game, around the fire lessons, Aunty Mary's lectures, the realest shoe game, splashy pool times, watching the sunset and birds singing. Real nature breeze all thanks to the NWR for such a peaceful atmosphere. Hiking to the top on the mountain for that epic view, and having a prayer and a lecture at the top of the mountain was great. There were moments when we took a wrong path and got lost but we had faith and we overcame that challenge. The photo-shoot moments were amazing. Aunt Justine's lectures, Tuilika's impromptu speech and Fikameni's lecture all wowed me! "Seeing the other side of what anyone tells you and their intentions." Other highlights include: Colour party, workouts with Lilly & her lecture on entrepreneurship, the gala dinner speeches and the munchies. Every meal really registered fully. A balanced diet for a healthy mind. Greatest lesson is that we live in a world of possibilities now and everyone who works towards their dream will fortunately make it become a reality with consistency in discipline and without giving up. The people in your circle have an impact on who you are in the future, PCN 2019 equipped me with entrepreneurial skills, leadership skills, public speaking skills. PCN became the door for opening the mind's eye. This was the realest ultimate purposeful experience.



### LAVINIA LEONARD

My participation in the PCN 2019 had reminded me of the essence of being human, it had reminded me that indeed there is life beyond the lens that displays our problems. The camp has taught me that there's a difference between being alive and just living that the sense of humanity is still alive in many if we could just dig a little deeper into the beauty of the dysfunction that nurtured the negative lump within us and this being said, PCN has shown me that the influence of one mind, brings a mind closer to changing the world, and to think that we were 40, I have never been so confident to say that the future is still bright. PCN has showed me the power in the relationship between the tongue and the mind, there's substantial art in the concept. Every second of the days I spent with these people had a memory that I will forever keep close in mind. From the art of communication, the gift in gratitude, the beauty in networking, all the amusement in socialising, to the idea of money as an illusion, all those memories serve as a reminder that I am still alive, just reminiscing the energy felt in the course of that week reminded me- and still does- that I am living. PCN is the favourite memory, PCN is the gallery that I constantly visit because every single memory



contains a lesson that cannot be weighed, nor taken for granted. Thank you PCN 2019.



### **EDWARD (EDDY) HAMUKUAJA**

One of my best Purposeful Camp Namibia highlights were the Morning and Evening devotions which we did almost every day, it was the best highlight/moment for me because we always received great words of encouragement and got to learn more about God. Another awesome highlight was the great food and drinks the PCN Cooking Staff served everyday which included having three meals per day, I have never eaten such delicious food at any of the other camps that I've attended neither did they serve three meals per day. I'm really keen on studying & working in the financial industry, the financial lessons that we were taught at the camp really came in handy of which my most important/greatest lesson was how to save and invest my money properly. These lessons really enlightened and gave me a clear understanding on how the financial industry will work out for me. I had no clue on how to debate and to my surprise we debated at the camp, I was extremely nervous

since I thought that I would fail at it, however I understood how to debate within a matter of minutes off-course with the help and support of my fellow PCN Participants and Organizers, for a first-time debater I was not so bad and I did really good. With the knowledge I've gained at Purposeful Camp Namibia I plan on changing for the better and I truly felt motivated to tackle life by staying positive in every challenging situation I encounter no matter what. I also aspire on doing National Debating since I realized I had the true potential to become a National Debater through Purposeful Camp Namibia.



### **DOREEN LYOMBA**

My experience with PCN was life changing. From creating strong bonds with people on the same wavelength as myself to truly having an honest introspection of my character and life in general. It will remain an experience I will cherish for a lifetime.



**BONGE KARLUSH**

The best moment that I had experienced is mountain hiking because it kept me in shape. I have truly learnt a lot. I have learned to communicate with different people from different backgrounds. The best way to be helped is to seek for help. I learned that no matter what background you are from, try your level best to have an impact in your society. But all has to start with you. Learn to appreciate everyone and everything because we have a purpose in life. Truly what I have learned from the camp I want to put it in practice and have a positive impact to the nation. I have to start to have an impact on myself so that I can have an impact on the nation. At the end of the day I will get there.



**MARIA AMWAANDANGI**

Well as I've been at Purposeful Camp Namibia, my best highlight were the sessions and bonding sessions that have taught me so much. The greatest lesson is to always be yourself and never judge someone because you never know what's happening in their lives. Well as for my PCN knowledge, I tend to start my own camp and have started our own organisation and have joined a couple of youth groups like the EMPOWER TO INSPIRE YOUTH ORGANISATION and more opportunities. I will of course share my life's blessings with others and do a lot more.



### CHARITY MATTHEWS

My best highlight was bonding around the bon fire every evening and talking about the day's highlights. It was just really good to share. I learned about having confidence in oneself and to never undermine oneself or downgrade one's value. With this knowledge, I will use it to change the little I can, wherever I can. Touch millions of lives most importantly.

Fun fact about PCN 2019: all the meals were prepared by the technical staff members, with the help of the Waterberg Resort Chefs!



### HAFENI ANGULA

Purposeful Camp Namibia is one of those tenders that look way better in practice than it does on paper. It isn't like any other camp, as this summit offers a lot more than advertised. The umpteen number of activities and lecturers compensated for emotional & psychological uncertainties experienced by most teenagers in Namibia; I, having had the opportunity to attend, say: my favourite aspects of PCN were not specific events or moments but the environment in which we learned offered essential opportunities to heal, share & better ourselves every single time. I now know or have an idea of how it feels to have a positive impact on the Namibian youth. #ihaveexperienced #iampurposeful

### Did you know?

**Hafeni was recognized and awarded as the Most Purposeful Male throughout the camp.**





### **TONY THOBIAS**

My best PCN highlight was the public speaking lesson, as this taught me how to be a better speaker and gain much more confidence in public speaking. We had learned a lot of things at the camp but it stood out for me and as the year 2020 came, I have started volunteering in school to do the daily announcements and also to do morning devotions.



### **NGHIFENWA TEKLA**

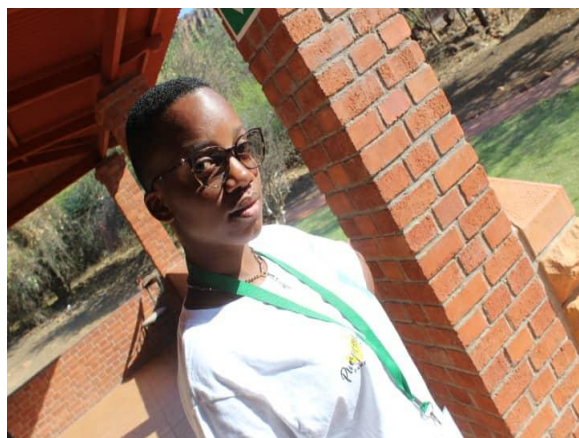
Best PCN highlight was when we were going mountain hiking and got lost on the way. But never intended to give up and as soon as we got to the top we had devotion up there which was really amazing because we knew that if it wasn't for the power of God we could have given up. Greatest Lesson- you'll go the wrong way and face a lot of hard challenges on your way and as you get back to the right way you'll have no fear of any challenge but never forget who helped you. I've learnt to motivate my friends when they need me the most and I've learnt to be more open with people and be kind and obedient. And I represent my school at occasions where speaking needs to be done. That's where I implement the public speaking skills PCN has taught me.





### **SARA-LEE FESTUS**

My experience at PCN was very beautiful. I learned simple and underrated things like forgiveness, which are actually important in one's life and growth. I was really struggling with forgiveness, so learning how to do it effectively has been a great breakthrough. Making up the mountain was also a great achievement because it was not easy, but the team had my back. All the alumni are amazing and I cannot wait to share my knowledge and expand my territory!



### **WILKA NAKAFINGO**

PCN is the best thing that has happened to me in 2019! I am so grateful to God that He put me on this path with my fellow participants. The food was well-prepared. I also loved how the staff all worked together. The whole team led by example throughout. I learned that you are never too young to pull something off as great as this.

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