



## The Bishop writes ... Be light and salt - Vote!

Dear Family of God,

Promises. How much of it have we heard since the date for local government elections was announced? There is an expression that comes to mind at a time such as this, "Déjà vu." It is French expressing "that sentiment of familiarity i.e., the feeling of having already experienced this situation before." One of my Dad's favourite Afrikaans expressions goes, "Dieselfde sous; net 'n ander tamatie." A rough translation would read, "The same sauce; just another tomato."

This Municipal Election on the 1 November 2021 does not have to be the "same old, same old." The pen in your hand is a powerful force in making a difference in the way we are governed. So, to whom will you lend your vote for the next five years to govern the municipal ward in which you reside?

Let us first turn to what the Bible says about voting and government? There is the view that Christians should not be involved in politics. This seems to be the case when one considers that 325 political parties will contest the upcoming elections. Nonetheless, as Christians we are reminded in God's Word that we are to be "salt and light" (Mt 5:13 and 14).

This occasions a pertinent question, "How can we remain Christlike whilst being politically involved?" The essence of the question goes to the heart of the matter, namely, how can we make a difference in the political sphere through exercising our right and responsibility to participate in the upcoming election?

Here are some guidelines that could assist in answering the aforementioned question.

1 Notwithstanding who is in authority, God uses political leaders whether they acknowledge Him or not. There are countless instances one can cite from Holy Scripture. The list of names comprises those who co-operated with God or chose not to co-operate. God used Pharaoh during the Exodus from Egypt. God used Herod at the time of Jesus' birth. Mordecai in the Book of Esther, Joseph and Daniel are further examples from the Old Testament.

2 A definition of the word 'politics' compels us to participate in the process of electing those who govern us. A brief definition of "politics" by John Stott in his book *Issues Facing Christians Today*, suggests that it is "...the art of living together in community." If such a definition is embraced, then it is not possible for us to divorce religion from politics.

We have become adept at compartmentalising our lives – a practice which is often based on personal expediency. It enables us to make the dichotomy between the sacred and the secular. This is not a Biblical notion. If one is to embrace the Stott definition, then it behoves us to take both our Christian vocation and responsible citizenship seriously. How



Bishop Eddie and Sharon Nell, the Bishop's Executive Officer, watch as Leigh Bosman signs the documents of appointment as Deputy Diocesan Chancellor.

do we do this?

In the Gospel of Matthew chapter five, Jesus exhorts us to be the light and salt of the world. Light overcomes darkness and salt trumps blandness. Therefore, it is a pity that politics in South Africa has become associated with the corruption that undermines the people of our country, as is highlighted by the various commissions of enquiry.

Sadly, it has also been used far too often as justification for not voting in an election. The Church is part of the community that is South Africa. But, as the Body of Christ, we have seemingly lost the ability to be the conscience of society because we have compromised that which we hold dear.

If we do not cast our vote then we "delegate" the responsibility of choosing elected leaders to others. The Greek philosopher, Plato, noted, "One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors." Now, I am not wanting to be patronising by this quote but if we did not exercise our right and responsibility to vote, then we cannot bemoan poor or bad governance because we abdicated what we should have done. Voting in the upcoming local elections therefore affords us the opportunity to participate in the changes to our common life together and have a direct voice on factors that affect our lives in a definite way.

It is always best to turn to Scripture when discerning between options in decision-making. So, please consider the following pointers from God's word:

- God uses political leaders with or without their concurrence to fulfil God's purposes.
- God calls us to be involved in politics ... 'the art of living together in community.'
- We must remain committed to serving our supreme authority, God who is Creator, Redeemer, and 'Sustainer' of all. As Christians we can have a voice in

politics. It is a privilege to be able to exercise it and we should use it to glorify God. So, who does one vote for? Scripture remains the source we should go to for guidance in choosing someone who will best represent the values we hold dear as children of God. Irrespective of where we place our mark on the ballot paper, as Christian voters we should remain rooted in the Scriptures and be obedient to the Lord.

1 Timothy 2:1-2 says, "First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity." God has no political party preference because God is above politics. God sees the world in one of two categories, "Alive in Christ or dead in our sin in the world."

I recently wrote a piece in the local newspaper, and I share some of the thoughts raised here again. Here are a few pointers to guide our prayerful consideration for the candidate we intend voting for:

- 1 Does the candidate exercise a preferential option for the poor?
  - 2 Is consideration given to the greatest good for the community placed before party political interests?
  - 3 Does being the 'public servant' take precedence over personal expediency?
  - 4 Is the candidate I'm voting for open to being accountable?
  - 5 Can I trust the candidate I am lending my vote to for the next five years?
- Politics can be a messy business. Therefore, I implore you to immerse yourself fully in prayer and the Word of God as you consider your role in seeking to make your community a better place.

Yours in Christ.

*Edward Port Elizabeth*

## Our persecuted family

Please pray for our Christian family members who are being persecuted for their faith. This is the list of top 24 countries from Open Doors:

1 North Korea	2 Afghanistan
3 Somalia	4 Libya
5 Pakistan	6 Eritrea
7 Yemen	8 Iran
9 Nigeria	10 India
11 Iraq	12 Syria
13 Sudan	14 Saudi Arabia
15 Maldives	16 Egypt
17 China	18 Myanmar
19 Vietnam	20 Mauritania
21 Uzbekistan	22 Laos
23 Turkmenistan	24 Algeria

## Important change

**Qualifications for ordination to the diaconate and priesthood were changed by Provincial Synod.**

Ordinands need to note these changes on the academic and other requirements for ordination to the diaconate and the priesthood:

- (i) A Diploma in Theology or Bachelors Degree in Theology from a University, or Theological College or accredited Higher Education Institution, recognized by the Synod of Bishops;
- (ii) Suitable training in ministry, spiritual formation, nurture, and the Marks of Mission;
- (iii) Such diocesan programmes as may be required.

These requirements may be relaxed, prior to the proposed ordination, if this is deemed in writing by the Metropolitan, after consultation with the Metropolitan's executive, to be in the best interest of the diocese concerned.

## Queen Elizabeth II honours our Bishop

Bishop Eddie has received a letter from Col Kevin T Williams KStJ, the Chancellor of the Priory for South Africa of the Most Honourable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem.

The letter says:

It is with pleasure that I advise you that Her Majesty the Queen, Sovereign Head of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem, has approved your promotion to Commander Grade III in the Order.

Your promotion was published in the London Gazette No 63485 page 17060, on 27 September 2021.

Col Williams goes on to congratulate Bishop Eddie on the work he has done for the Order of St John's and looks forward to seeing him at his investiture.

# Provincial Synod report back

Provincial Synod is the highest decision making body in ACSA and is attended by all the Bishops and three clergy and lay representatives from every diocese (unfortunately one of our lay reps could not attend). The meeting is chaired by the Metropolitan, Archbishop Thabo Makgoba of the Diocese of Cape Town. Because of COVID Lockdown the meeting which was held from 21-24 September, was virtual via Teams. The PE members met at St Saviour's in Walmer.



Left - Frankie Simpson and Charles Qoto, the lay reps. Canon Sharon Nell, Bishop Eddie, Archdeacons Fumi Kula and Nicolette Leonard, the clergy reps. Right - We were very well fed by Lyn Schröder and Yvonne Ward-Able.



## The Archbishop's Charge

Beginning his Charge to Synod, Archbishop Thabo spoke of the considerable challenges in governing the Church, from meetings of parish councils to convening synods and elective assemblies.

### The theme for Synod was, "Discipling communities for a changed world."

The Archbishop went on to speak of the difficulties in covering the Synod theme, saying, "Our personal lives, our deepest relationships, have felt both horrific spikes of violence and destruction, but also the kindness of strangers as people have reached out to give succour and refuge to others. We traversed through a winter of despair when those already living in chronic poverty took on new burdens as unemployment spiralled. Hunger has haunted the faces of children. Domestic violence has scarred the lives especially of women and children."

When speaking of the sensitive issue of vaccinations he said, "Anti-vaccine lobbyists defend their right not to be vaccinated, which is all well and good if they are willing to stay at home in isolation. But as soon as they move into spaces occupied by others, their rights become limited by the rights of others. In the words of the legal philosopher Zechariah Chafee, 'Your right to swing your arms ends just where the other

person's nose begins.' In a deadly pandemic, the right of your neighbour to life inevitably circumscribes your right to do as you like."

Later he spoke of how we work out what it means to "disciple our communities for a changed world," in this difficult time of pandemic. He said that if we have learnt anything, then it must be that we must use our gifts, rekindle our imaginations, harness our spiritual energies, and employ our skills, to choose again that fundamental option for the poor, saying, "As the story of the call to Matthew reminds us, it is never too late to leave our old ways and follow Jesus into implementing the Kingdom."

Speaking of the economic climate, the Archbishop went on to speak of the need for people, including the clergy, to have skills, to be well trained and have ongoing training.

He spoke of the work being done by the Safe and Inclusive Church Commission and of the unrest and rioting that took place in this country, and ended his message by saying, "Every local congregation, big or small, every group, every individual occupying a pew, is both sheep and shepherd, and it is synergy which embraces both roles that will release the energies, creativity and discernment that will take our Church forward confidently into the world that lies ahead."

## Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

In his Charge Archbishop Thabo said, "The most exciting development to come before this session of Synod is giving birth to a brand-new Anglican province in Southern Africa – the Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola ... an independent, stand-alone, Portuguese-speaking Province in Southern Africa."

On the afternoon of 25 September the inauguration service of the new Province took place with the Archbishop of Canterbury leading the service and

his message was one of great joy for the Anglican Communion as a whole and for the Portuguese speaking population of the two countries of Mocambique and Angola.

### How POPIA affects us

The Protection of Personal Information Act of 2013 came into force from 1 July and affects how parishes protect the information they have about their parishioners.

Parishes need to obtain permission to put photos or information onto diocesan/parish Facebook pages, into a parish leaflet/magazine ... or into iindaba.

This applies too for names going onto lists of those who are sick - the person has to give their permission!

Parents need to note that posting day-to-day information and photos about their children infringes on their privacy and the POPIA law so one now needs to think before putting anything into a public space.

## Business of Synod Measures

Synod accepted many Measures to change the Canons - most of which were changing the wording to make them gender inclusive and to cover virtual meetings.

Some changes included were:

- Canon 10** - Of Bishops Suffragan, Regional or Area Bishops and Assistant Bishops;
- Canon 11** - Of residence of Diocesan Bishops;
- Canon 42** - Of Trusts;
- Canon 28** - Of Parish Council (this now adds, "At least one of those elected shall be between the ages of 18 and 20."

### Some of the Motions accepted

- **Defining Islamophobia and Anti-Semitism.**

It is important and the two definitions are: 1 ISLAMOPHOBIA is a fear, prejudice and hatred of Muslims or non-Muslim individuals that leads to provocation, hostility and intolerance by means of threatening, harassment, abuse, incitement and intimidation of Muslims and non-Muslims, both in the online and offline world. It is motivated by institutional, ideological, political and religious hostility that transcends into structural and cultural racism which targets the symbols and markers of being a Muslim.

2 ANTI-SEMITISM is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of anti-semitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities. (Copied from Minutes) *Note from ed - the one on Anti-semitism is a small part of the IHRA Working Definition which has already been accepted by 31 countries. Readers are encouraged to study the full document.*

- **Lambeth Conference Supporting Palestine**

- **Peace in the Middle East**

Provincial Synod recommended that we pray the following prayer:

God bless the people of the Middle East; Protect its vulnerable children; Transform its divided leaders; Heal their wounded communities, Restore their human dignity; and give them lasting peace. Amen

- **Plastic Pollution**

This is a call for a ban on the use of polystyrene at all church events and requests that representatives

## The view from pulpit and pew

❖ iindaba asks for continued prayers for:  
- retired Priest Jackie Trollip who is recovering from an operation on a broken femur;  
- retired Priest David Grobbelaar who is recovering from surgery.

❖ iindaba congratulates the new lay chaplains who were licensed on Thursday 7 October:  
- Pumla Koltana, Environment;  
- Myron Leonard, Education;  
- Courtney Thomas, Gender;  
- Nomfundo Tuku, Health and Wellfare.

## Clergy on the move ...

❖ Self-supporting Priest, Jane Cowen, was licensed as the chaplain for Social Justice on Thursday 7 October.

of the executive of each Provincial organisation have a discussion about the implementation of this ban and that ACSA Environmental Network prepares posters with information for churches.

- **Valuing Diversity in the Body of Christ: Disability Justice**
- **Addressing the High Unemployment Rate Among Youth**
- **Inclusion of Youth Ministry/ School Chaplaincy Module**

This calls for the Dean of Studies to include Youth Ministry and School Chaplaincy modules/programmes as part of the training and post ordination studies.

**More information about Measures, Motions and the various presentations can be obtained from the Synod representatives.**

## Speakers at Synod

Some of the speakers who addressed members of Synod were:

### On the need to be vaccinated

**Prof Koleka Mlisana** is South Africa's first black woman Microbiologist and Co-chair of the Ministerial Advisory Committee on COVID-19. She currently serves as a member of the Ministerial Advisory Committee on antimicrobial resistance and holds the position of Executive Manager of Academic Affairs, Research and Quality Assurance at the National Health Laboratory Service.

### On the Protection of Personal Information Act

**Alison Tilley** presented the POPI Act assisted by Collen Weapond and Nemasisi Ntsumbedzeni

A presentation on the Information Regulator, dealing with Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA) and effective access to information, was given.

Synod was reminded that POPIA also includes the safe storage of people's information and that some information is regarded as "special information records" and safeguarding these have special requirements. Examples of "special information are religious beliefs, health status, sex life, political affiliation etc.

### On the pandemic

Prof Adrian Puren, the Acting Executive Director of the NICD, was appointed as Deputy Director and Head of Virology in 1999 and Head of the Centre for HIV and STIs in 2017. As head of virology, he focused on developing and implementing a range of viral diagnostic platforms in support of the NICD's EPI surveillance programmes and diagnostic support.

## Tag lines!



Success is not something to be possessed.

Rather, it is the ongoing process of becoming all we can and should be.



## Green Piece

### Planting to the glory of God

Busiwe Masiso

We must manage the environment not simply for our own benefit but for God's glory. He commissions us to rule over the Creation in a way that sustains, protects and enhances His works, so that all creation may fulfil the purposes God intended for it.



Busiwe Masiso, Khathala Manana and Doris Makana, and Ntate Warona in the background, of St Stephen's hold seedlings ready to plant.

St Stephen's in New Brighton had an Arbor Day awareness talk given by Busiwe Masiso on Sunday 19 September. After the talk the Rector, Lulamile Ngesi, blessed vegetable and tree seedlings with Busiwe Masiso, the parish representative on the diocesan desk on environment assisting him.

#### The importance of trees

Busiwe spoke on the importance of trees in the environment and human health by saying that in South Africa National Arbor Day was celebrated on the first Friday of September but it graduated to National

Arbor Week, then to National Arbor Month. It is a national campaign initiated to celebrate South Africa's trees and to raise awareness about their importance, as well as encouraging communities to plant trees. Trees in general are the lungs of the planet earth.

The 'Trees of the Year' chosen for 2021 – there are two this year - are the Spekboom and Pepperbark and the theme for this year is "Forest Restoration: A Path to Recovery and Well-Being."

Spekboom is an Afrikaans word meaning Bacon Tree in English and in isiXhosa, it means Igwanishe. The main function of the Spekboom tree is to reduce air pollution by absorbing Carbon Dioxide from the atmosphere and releasing Oxygen, which is needed by our human bodies.

By planting trees we also limit the effects of climate change and, when properly placed, trees can absorb noise, act as windbreaks in winter and provide shade in summer.

#### Benefits of trees

Trees are a valuable resource, providing both environmental and economic benefits.

The Spekboom tree can be used as a medicinal plant to treat conditions like blisters, sore throats, mouth infections, exhaustion, dehydration and heatstroke.

**UYehova uThixo wamthabatha umntu wambeka emyezweni we-Eden, ukuba awusebenze, awugcine.**  
Genesis 2:15

**The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.**

Trees produce a number of products that are beneficial to our lives, for example, building materials, paper, pharmaceutical products, rubber, fruit, coffee and musical instruments such as pianos and marimbas.

Chemicals extracted from trees are used in the manufacturing of cleaning products, deodorants, insecticides, shoe polish, perfumes, toothpaste and furniture polish.

#### Our heritage

Indigenous trees also form part of our heritage and we should take time to focus on some of them:

The Big Tree in Tsitsikamma is ±800 years old and 36,6m in height;

and the Post Office Tree located in Mossel Bay, which is ±500 years old. It is said that in the year 1500, a Portuguese sailor left a letter in a shoe and tucked it in this tree. In the year 1501, that letter was found by another sailor by the name of Joao da Nova, who was en route to India. That is how the first Post Office was founded in South Africa.

Therefore, we need to ask ourselves, what role can we play as a church?

The answer is simply -

PLANT A TREE, PLANT A TREE, PLANT A TREE!!!

Every home, school, church and all communities at large must plant trees.

## Newly licenced

Danica du Plessis



With the Rector of St Saviour's, Sharon Nell, are Theo Storm and Cameron Lee.

At a recent Youth Appreciation Sunday at St Saviour's the Cameron Lee was licenced as the organist and Theo Storm as the Church Custodian. The Rector, Sharon Nell, said, "We thank God for the service of young people in our parishes."

## On the mend

Adrie Stockdale



On the mend is retired priest, Jackie Trollip.

Getting it right - iindaba apologises to retired priest Jackie Trollip who broke a femur and now has two pins in a leg. We mistakenly reported that she had a hip operation! It is so good to see her on the mend and pray she will soon be minus the walking aid.

## Trees - to curb climate change

Xhanti Mhlontlo



Kendel and Kiara Leander, Michelle Smith, Ayazingca Mhlontlo, with the Rector of All Saints', Xhanti Mhlontlo, and Thokozani Magagula planting a tree in the church grounds.

Jubilant young people from the family of All Saints' and St Alban's joined the fight against climate change by planting some trees during the Month of Creation.

The trees were donated by Lay Chaplain Pumla Koltana, a member of the congregation, and the team planting of the tree was coordinated by Michelle Smith, the representative of All Saints' to the Diocesan Environmental Portfolio.

*The youth of the diocese are calling for action to stop climate change and are doing something to try and combat the mess their elders have made of God's creation. Seniors, we need to do our bit to help too. - ed*

## Highlights from



Held virtually from 6 to 9 October.  
"A Jesus-Shaped Life"  
Love God, Love the World, Make Disciples.

Please visit 'Anglicans Ablaze Online Conference' via Facebook to listen to the various speakers.

Day 3 on children's and youth ministry has some wonderful ideas!

#### Bishop Moon Hing:

Discipleship is not a programme. Everyone needs someone to disciple them so one needs to ask -

Who is discipling me now?

If I am not being discipling, why not?

Whom am I discipling?

Discipleship is not just a part of life, but the whole. It is indistinguishable from the whole life in Christ.

Let us live as disciples who make disciples of people.

#### Archbishop Justin Welby:

We serve each other, we wash each other's feet.

We don't preach morality, we preach Jesus Christ.

Does Jesus have a space in your life - or does he have all of your life?

Righteous desires for justice are more powerful if they are shaped by Jesus.

#### Archbishop Thabo Makgoba:

The call to 'follow me' is a call to obedience - as an apprentice learns from the one who is training them.

## Diana in print



Former priest of our diocese, Diana Nkesiga, has written a book about her journey as an African woman to Priesthood.

Diana's book and the Kindle version are available from: amazon.com  
Kindle \$6.99



# Seniors honoured with drive-through lunch

Larry Pow Chong



**Gloria Ah Ling and Dolly Kar For collect their Goodie Bag from Erin Forlee.**

Instead of St Francis Xavier in Morningside holding their usual Heritage Day fundraiser this year, they did something different. The EP Chinese Association, together with the parish and their Seniors Club, honoured all those who are over 75 years old in the community, with a take away Chinese meal and a fruit pack.

The lunch packs were collected between 11h30 to 13h00 from the Gordon Loyson Memorial Hall at the back of the church building. A drive-through system for collection was used and the runners were kept on the go.

The Heritage Day Goodie Bag consisted of a meal of



**The hardworking team with some of the 184 Goodie Bags of lunch.**

Vegetable Chow Mein, Hakka style red pork, Hainan style poached chicken garnished with shredded ginger blanched in oil, spring onions and soya/oyster sauce, and white rice. The dessert pack was fruit, green tea bags and Sa Ke Ma (or SaChiMa depending on which dialect is used).

The church was blessed with sponsorship from members of the community as well as Hunters Superspar and the Rice Bowl and so was able to put 184 bags together.

The bag also contained a beautiful bookmark with words written by Verena Muller, "Sometimes we forget to say thank you to those who make the biggest difference in our lives. Thank you to you from the bottom of our hearts. Happy Heritage Day 2021."

# Blessed to reach 100

Larry Pow Chong



**Irene Pow Chong celebrated her 100th birthday with her sister-in-law Chuk Ying Pow Chong, who celebrated her 93rd birthday in June.**

On 30 August Aunt Irene (or Aunty Rene as she is fondly known) Pow Chong celebrated reaching a century.

For such an auspicious occasion the family and friends gathered around her - these included her sister-in-law Chuk Ying Pow Chong, who had celebrated her 93rd birthday in June this year. The two sisters-in-law are the only two surviving members of that generation in the Pow Chong family.

They are a much loved part of the St Francis Xavier family. Rene and her husband, the late Archie Pow Chong, lived in Fairview with their family and owned the popular Willowgrove Grocers until apartheid removals forced them to move.

# Church working with Health Department



**Retired priest Churchwarden Mgedezi with Fikile Sohuma of the Health Department, Bishop's Executive Officer, Sharon Nell and Sweetness Mgedezi, who organised the Anglican attendance.**

Clergy from many churches in NMB gathered at the Radisson Blu Hotel for a three day Health Promoting Churches Workshop from 28 to 30 September. This was led by Fikile Sohuma from the Health Department who is a member of All Saints' in Kabega Park.

Parts of the description given of what the workshop was all about, "The main purpose of the health promotion programme is to render and manage preventive and promotive health, and rehabilitative public health services according to the needs of the community," and "A health promoting setting is a place where the members of the community work together with the support of a multidisciplinary team of resource people."

After input from many speakers on various health problems - from Aids, Nutrition, Eye Care, Arthritis, Men's Health and many more - a committee was chosen to take the plan forward into the churches.

Church members are being asked to embrace this concept and to encourage one another to be tested for blood pressure, sugar, TB (if coughing badly), HIV and to make sure all the children in the congregation have had all their vaccinations.

Clergy are in a position to take a holistic approach in hearing and noting when congregants are in need of help and can encourage them to go for help, and also to encourage everyone to have the COVID vaccination.

Health speakers can be invited to speak to congregations to make them aware of what they need to do if they have health problems - and what signs to watch out for.



**With Sweetness Mgedezi (centre) are some of our clergy who attended the workshop: Churchwarden Mgedezi, Thanduxolo Noketshe, Xhanti Mhlontlo, Andrea Potgieter, Phille Lobese and Andile Dumse. Kneeling are Mziwoxolo Nodwele and Kwandiwe Ludziya**

# Newly licenced



**With Bishop Eddie and the BEO, Sharon Nell, are newly licensed Chaplains: self-supporting Priest, Jane Cowen (Social Justice); lay chaplains Pumla Koltana (Environment), Myron Leonard (Education), Courtney Thomas (Gender) and Nomfundo Tuku (Health and Welfare).**

# You're welcome



**Bishop Eddie welcomed the new clergy and their families - Laden and Deacon Bev Gamiet, retired Priest Cynthia Webstock, and Rector of Alexandria Parish, Deon Lombard and his wife Kerry.**

The new clergy who have joined our diocese were officially welcomed by Bishop Eddie and Chapter on Thursday morning 7 October at St Hugh's.

Both retired Priest Cynthia Webstock (St Cuthbert's) and Deacon Bev Gamiet (Christ Church, Kamma Park) have moved from the Diocese of Grahamstown, and the Rector of Alexandria Parish, Deon Lombard, has moved from the Diocese of the Free State.

The new Lay Chaplains were licensed at the same time and the ceremonies were followed by tea and fellowship in the Mayo Hall before Chapter moved through to the big hall for their meeting.

**Join other Africans  
and pray this prayer at 12h00**



**God bless Africa  
Protect her children  
Transform her leaders  
Heal her communities  
Restore her dignity  
And give her peace  
For Jesus Christ's sake.  
Amen**

