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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Mukhanyo's academic year has started strong! Much has happened already in the last few weeks: our staff returned to the office on Monday 6 January to prepare for the new year, we hosted many students in several intensive courses, and our lecturers have been busy with the annual opening ceremonies and orientation events.

The Pretoria campus experienced a bustle of activity during the second week of January, with 37 students attending in the degree-level intensive on Church Planting, while another 12 students were facilitated by visiting Prof Martin Klauder in a Masters-level course on the French Reformation.

We are thankful for each of the many new students who begin contact-based theological studies at one of our six campuses and advanced learning centres. The 2025 intake is still being finalised, but the total number this year will be well over 90 new students in the higher certificate and degree programmes.

The Mukhanyo family also welcomes several new full-time and part-time lecturers this year. Dr Greg Phillips has moved to Cape Town to serve as Senior Lecturer there with Rev. Neil Henry and others; he will continue as Registrar, serving along with Richard Muhire and Thoko Sikhosana in KwaMhlanga. Rev. Henning Dafel, who was teaching

part-time in KwaMhlanga, has now joined the capable Durban team to serve there as Centre Manager. Dr Patrick Nanthambwe is now serving full-time in Johannesburg as a Senior Lecturer. And we've appointed many new part-time lecturers in various locations, including three alumni who started teaching in KwaMhlanga: Given Xaba, Liberty Nyama, and Given Ngoma.

We are also thankful for the excellent start of the new Cape Town centre. The Lord has blessed the initiative to-date, and now we must plan for the next steps. Check out the Vacancies page on our website to learn about two new positions there: the Secretary and the Campus Manager.

Please join us in praying for the Lord's blessings upon all our staff and students in 2025. "Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain" (Ps. 127:1). So we covet your prayers and plead for God's gracious provisions of wisdom, endurance, and provisions in the new year.



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CAMPUS HAPPENINGS



The start of the academic year at Mukhanyo Theological College has brought excitement, new faces, and fresh opportunities to equip Christian leaders for service. Across all our centres, staff and students are embracing the journey ahead, united in our mission to bring glory to God through theological training and spiritual growth.

KwaMhlanga Campus opening day

On 20 January, Dr Brian DeVries addressed staff at the KwaMhlanga campus, setting a vision for the year. The session was marked by the faculty signing Mukhanyo's Faith Statement, a powerful moment affirming our shared commitment to theological integrity. This meaningful event signals a year of growth and steadfast dedication to God's work.



Cape Town Centre kicks off with orientation

The Cape Town centre began the year with an engaging orientation evening on 22 January. This four-hour session introduced 11 new students—8 Bachelor of Theology (BTh) candidates and 3 Higher Certificate in Bible Teaching (HCBT) students—to the heart of Mukhanyo's mission and vision. Dr JB Krohn led devotions, inspiring all to keep Christ at the centre of their studies. Graham Heslop's practical talk on assignment writing set the tone for academic excellence.

"We are deeply grateful to Mrs Susannah Kim, who generously donated a 30-litre urn and hosted a light tea for attendees," says Rev. Neil Henry, Regional Coordinator - Western Cape. The evening demonstrated the power of teamwork, with Dr Greg Phillips and the part-time lecturers—Dr JB, Graham, Rev. Brahm Robinson, and Rob Walker—ensuring a warm welcome to all. Preparations for the library, textbooks, and SharePoint training are well underway, thanks to Dr Greg's dedication and the lecturers' collaboration.



A vibrant start across all centres

Beyond Cape Town and KwaMhlanga, our other centres are alive with activities as lecturers and students prepare for classes. From the delivery of study materials to fine-tuning schedules, each campus is bustling with anticipation for the months ahead. The new students joining Mukhanyo this year bring fresh energy and passion, and we are eager to see how God will work through their studies and ministries.

Let us pray for wisdom, strength, and perseverance for both students and faculty, as we embark on this new season of teaching and learning. May this year be one of deep spiritual growth and fruitful service for all.

LECTURER'S CORNER



Introducing Mukhanyo's New Academic Dean



Mukhanyo Theological College is pleased to announce the appointment of Rev Antonio Coppola as Academic Dean. Rev Coppola brings extensive experience in theological education and pastoral ministry, and he is committed to serving the institution by strengthening its academic programmes and supporting both faculty and students in their theological training.

In reflecting on his new role, Rev Coppola notes his eagerness to engage more closely with Mukhanyo's faculty, to enhance the quality and theological depth of the curriculum, and to contribute to the college's broader impact across southern Africa. He emphasises the importance of rigorous theological education in equipping students to serve Christ's church faithfully.

With a background in Anglican ministry and a firm commitment to Reformed theological convictions, Rev Coppola has a deep appreciation for the historical and

doctrinal foundations of the faith. He is particularly concerned with the need for theological clarity in the South African church context and is dedicated to preparing students to handle God's Word with care and precision.

We welcome Rev Coppola to this role and look forward to how his leadership will further the mission of Mukhanyo Theological College.



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STUDENT VOICES



New students at Mukhanyo: Hopes and dreams for 2025



At Mukhanyo Theological College, every student embarks on a journey of faith, knowledge, and ministry. As we step into 2025, we take a moment to hear from some of our new students about their hopes, dreams, and what inspires them as they begin their studies.

One such student is Bheki Masango, a 26-year-old enrolled in the Higher Certificate in Bible Teaching programme. Bheki was drawn to Mukhanyo because of its strong reputation for equipping Christians for ministry. He is eager to deepen his understanding of theology and earn his qualification, believing that this knowledge will help him serve others more effectively.

A verse that keeps Bheki inspired is John 3:16, a powerful reminder of God's love and the promise of eternal life through faith in Christ. When asked which Biblical figure he would most like to have coffee with, Bheki chose David, expressing a deep curiosity about how David found the strength to defeat Goliath. His admiration for David's courage and faith speaks to his own desire to grow spiritually and face life's challenges with confidence.

Beyond his studies, Bheki has a passion for reading privately, seeking to gain knowledge and share it with those who may not have access to such information. His enthusiasm for learning and spreading biblical truths embodies the very mission of Mukhanyo – to equip and empower believers for the work of God's kingdom

Another inspiring new student is Mutali Mulaudzi, also 26 years old and enrolled in the Higher Certificate in Bible Teaching programme. Mutali discovered Mukhanyo through social media and was drawn to the college's commitment to theological education. His primary goal for 2025 is to expand his knowledge of God and share what he learns with others, while also pushing

himself to grow beyond his comfort zone.

Mutali finds deep inspiration in Proverbs 3:5-6, a verse that encourages trust in the Lord's guidance. If he could sit down for coffee with any Biblical figure, he would choose Paul, eager to ask him what he would say in a letter to the modern church. His curiosity about faith and scripture fuels his desire to engage with the Bible in a meaningful way.

An interesting fact about Mutali is that he loves writing and is considering writing his first book this year. His passion for storytelling and sharing wisdom reflects his commitment to spiritual growth and outreach.

Another student stepping into 2025 with great ambition is Sibusiso William Mahlangu, also 26 years old and enrolled in the Higher Certificate in Bible Teaching programme. Sibusiso learned about Mukhanyo through his father's friend and is determined to excel in his academic journey. He draws inspiration from 2 Timothy 3:16, which highlights the power and authority of Scripture. If given the chance, he would love to have a conversation with Moses, as he resonates with

Moses' story, particularly because they both share the challenge of a stutter. Outside of his studies, Sibusiso enjoys writing, a passion that allows him to express his thoughts and reflect on his faith.

As 2025 unfolds, we look forward to seeing how students like Bheki, Mutali and Sibusiso grow in their faith and knowledge, preparing themselves for a future of ministry and service. We pray that their journey at Mukhanyo will be a time of transformation and inspiration, equipping them to make a lasting impact in their communities and beyond.



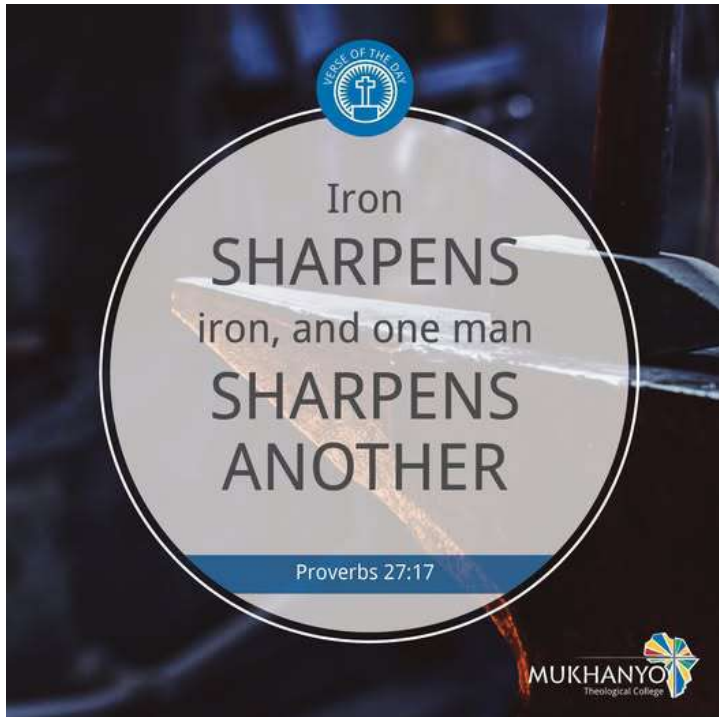
ACADEMIC UPDATES



Mark your calendars! On 14 March 2025, Mukhanyo Theological College will host its much-anticipated graduation ceremony, a highlight of the academic year. This is a day of joy, reflection, and celebration as we recognise the dedication and perseverance of our graduating students.

This ceremony is not only a time to celebrate academic achievements but also an opportunity to honour the calling of these men and women to serve in the church and community. Each graduate represents a story of God's grace and provision throughout their studies.

We look forward to welcoming families, friends, and supporters to share in this special occasion. More details will follow soon, but for now, let's continue to pray for our graduates as they prepare to take the next steps in their ministries.



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VACANCIES



Are you ready to make a meaningful impact on theological education in South Africa? Mukhanyo Theological College is looking for a Centre Manager for our Cape Town Centre. This is an exciting opportunity to lead, teach, and collaborate as we continue equipping church leaders and Christians in their communities.

Key responsibilities include managing centre operations, teaching at diploma and degree levels, and building networks with local churches. Strong leadership, theological training, and administrative skills are essential.

For more details, visit our website or email brian.devries@mtc.ac.za. Applications close on 28 February 2025. Don't miss this chance to serve God's Kingdom through education!

Mukhanyo Theological College is seeking a skilled and motivated individual to assist as Secretary & Receptionist at its Cape Town Centre. Key responsibilities include secretarial and reception support, library management, and assisting with administrative tasks. The ideal candidate will demonstrate faith in Jesus Christ, uphold Mukhanyo's values, and have relevant experience. The position requires three working days per week and offers an opportunity to serve in the mission of equipping church leaders in Africa. CVs and references should be submitted to neil.henry@mtc.ac.za by 15 February 2025.

