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# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



We rejoice together with our 87 graduates this month! The entire Mukhanyo family thanks the Lord for the achievement of our students. This is an important milestone in their lives and we wish them well for the future.

In fact, we thank the Lord for all our students! The new student intake this year was strong – we now have well over 200 students studying at one of the Mukhanyo campuses or centres across the country, and having just past the mid-point of the semester, they are deeply involved with lectures, tests, and assignments.

Please pray for all our students. The two-week Good Friday break begins after 4 April. During this break, many of the students will participate in church conferences and other events surrounding the Resurrection Sunday weekend, and in African communities especially, church attendance is often the highest for Good Friday celebrations. We pray that the Lord will use our students for the salvation and spiritual growth of many people.

Pray also for our lecturers. Their work continues, though they also enjoy a two-week break from teaching. In addition to weekly lectures that must be prepared, this is also a busy time for them and the rest of the staff as they prepare for the exam season that starts in mid-May.

Plans are also being made for the TEASA Consultation hosted by Mukhanyo each year. We are excited about the main theme for 2025 with a full range of relevant keynote addresses and workshop topics. The event is planned for 17-19 June 2025, again at eMseni Christian Centre, near the OR Tambo airport. Check out [www.teasa.co.za](http://www.teasa.co.za) for more information and to register. This event is a wonderful time of fellowship and learning for all Bible school lecturers from across Southern Africa. We are blessed again this year with many gifted speakers, all of whom are busy with theological education in Africa.



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Mukhanyo equips Christians for ministry in Africa. Our main focus is to provide relevant, high-quality, biblical education in both in-service training and local learning.

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# CAMPUS HAPPENINGS



## Mukhanyo Theological College Graduation 2025



On Friday, 14 March 2025, Mukhanyo Theological College celebrated the graduation of 87 students from various campuses and local learning sites across Southern Africa. The ceremony recognised graduates for their academic achievements and dedication to ministry. Special awards were presented to Ngwako Justice Ramothwala (Honours, Pretoria Campus), Abram Mabena (Diploma, Ogies Local Learning Site), Dr Pulane Pitso (HCBT, Bloemspruit Local Learning Site), and Mogomotsi Ditlopo (HCCM, KwaMhlanga Campus) for their exceptional commitment to their studies and ministry.



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## Ministering to Emotionally Hurting Children



On 8 March 2025, around 60 Sunday school teachers attended a workshop at Mukhanyo Theological College's KwaMhlanga campus, focusing on ministering to emotionally hurting children. Led by Esther and Leratho from Lighthouse Children's Ministry, the workshop covered trauma's that are impacted on children, Bible lessons that heal, and the importance of active listening. The teachers left better equipped to offer Biblical comfort to children facing abuse, trauma, and broken family structures.

## Mukhanyo's Day with Radio Pulpit - 10 March 2025

On 10 March 2025, nine Mukhanyo students had the opportunity to record 10-minute Biblical devotionals at Radio Pulpit, thanks to Ephraim Mokau from the station's management team. This initiative aimed to build a relationship with Radio Pulpit, promote the college, expose students to professional broadcasting, and share the gospel.

The recordings went smoothly, with one being broadcast later that same day. The staff at Radio Pulpit were welcoming and eager to teach. Rev Isaak Maleke was interviewed and he focused on promoting Mukhanyo and its programs. This was a great success.

We pray that this partnership with Radio Pulpit will continue to grow, allowing us to equip more students with quality theological training while spreading the gospel.



# LECTURER'S CORNER



## Dr Barend Hefer at Mukhanyo



Dr Barend Hefer, a full-time lecturer and campus manager at Mukhanyo Theological College's Johannesburg campus, shares his reflections on teaching, faith, and the impact of Mukhanyo's mission.

For Dr Hefer, his journey as a lecturer has been shaped by a growing experience of understanding his students' unique contexts. Rather than focusing on a single defining moment, he emphasises the importance of humility gained through interaction with students who face various challenges. "The more we grow in our understanding of one another's situations, the more we grow in humility. This humility leads to reaching out toward one another in unity in Christ," he says.

Dr Hefer views teaching as discipleship, where personal faith plays a central role. He integrates his beliefs into his teaching by explaining his views on Scripture clearly to students. "If I can't explain my beliefs from Scripture in a

simple manner, they don't have to believe me," he adds.

Through his years at Mukhanyo, Dr Hefer has witnessed the impact of the College on local communities and churches. He has heard many testimonies from students and alumni who have gained a deeper biblical understanding and seen more churches partnering with Mukhanyo. "We do not know how and where the Lord will use our institution or students, but He will," he shares.

Dr Hefer believes that two critical issues are facing theological education today: the sufficiency of Scripture for all of life and the need to equip Christians at the grassroots level. Mukhanyo addresses these challenges by offering sound biblical teaching at an academic level while ensuring practical Christianity is lived out by students in their communities.

As a pastor in an Afrikaans Reformed church in Brakpan, Dr Hefer remains committed to shaping the next generation of Christian leaders, both academically and spiritually, in service to the broader Church.

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# STUDENT VOICES



## A Life Transformed: Mogomotsi Ditlopo's Path to Ministry



Mogomotsi Ditlopo's testimony is a powerful story of hope and transformation.

On 14 March 2025, he graduated from Mukhanyo Theological College with a Higher Certificate in Church Ministry and shared his remarkable journey of faith with us.

Growing up, Mogomotsi was lost in atheism, entangled in drug addiction, and deeply involved in the Rastafarian movement. Life felt empty and without purpose. But God's grace reached him in the darkest place when he met a pastor who showed him the flaws in his beliefs and pointed him to the truth of salvation.

"It came as a light and a revelation to me that there is no other salvation other than through Christ," Mogomotsi shared.

Encouraged by a friend at church, who recognised his gift for speaking and teaching, Mogomotsi enrolled at Mukhanyo to deepen his faith and be equipped for ministry. Today, he serves as a Sunday school teacher, adored by the children he mentors, and continues to grow in the Lord with a passion to share the gospel.

"Whatever corner you are in, whatever situation you have, whatever hopelessness you are in — I was once there. But here today, I am doing ministry. I teach Sunday school, and the kids love me. I'm growing in the Lord. I want to encourage all. Mukhanyo is the place to be."

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