

PRESBYTERY OF TSHWANE

The **Minutes** of Tshwane Presbytery meeting held on Saturday the 21st April 2018 at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Pretoria, for the purpose of a combined worship service as well as to consider a request from Mabopane Presbyterian Church for relocation of their property.

1. Constitution

The Moderator constituted the meeting with prayer at 14H00.

2. Present and Apologies

2.1. Present

Ministers:

Alan Cameron (Trinity), Mantsi Mohapi (Soshanguve), Micah Nthali (St. James/Moderator), Patrick Nyawuza (Jonas Lediga), Sisanda Mpafi (ET Legodi), Theo Groeneveld (Emmanuel), Frikkie Botha (Premier mine/clerk), Wayne van Heerden (Centurion West), Jackie Barker (Emmanuel).

Seconded Ministers:

Sibusiso L Lindani (ThumediMakgahlela/SAPS), Mabandla Nkayi (SANDF/Mamelodi East/Phola), Mafasa Nyama (SAPS/St. Peters).

Minister without charge:

Zola Matutu (Khayakhulu/Ruighoek), Sello Mamabolo (Mabopane).

Minister Emeritus:

Gerhard Langeveld (St. Marks), Glynis Goyns (St. Francis).

Probationer:

Jones Liwewe (Trinity).

Treasurer:

Violet Baloyi.

Elders:

David Turner (Trinity), Jabu Ngwenya (Soshanguve), Harry Bopape (Mabopane), Martha Mabuse (Mamelodi East), Frikkie Gous (Saints), Abel Dipolelo (Mamelodi Gardens), Percy Rathebe (ET Legodi), Frederick Makgahlela (Thumedi Makgahlela), Monty Nyakale (Mamelodi Gardens), Betty Wilson (St. Francis), Myer Wolson (St. Francis), Manelisi Shumane (PCPC), Norma Maja (Jonas Lediga), Mpule Mawasha (Jonas Lediga).

Associates:

Prof. Jerry Pillay (UP), Arlene Batoyi (St. Marks), Alan Visser (Saints).

2.2. Apologies

Ministers:

Lentikile Mashoko (Saints), Pat Baxter (GA MinSec), Lungile Mpetsheni

(GS), Andries Smit (St. Johns), Golebilwe Mthabatha (St. Andrews eMalahleni).

Seconded Ministers:

Zolani Makalima (SANDF/PCPC), Fundiswa Kobo (UNISA), Fuzile Ntshona (SANDF/Mamelodi Gardens).

CDE:

Rean Fourie (Rustenburg).

Elders:

Louise Ruch (Trinity), Eleanor van der Merwe (Rustenburg), Buti Baloyi (Saints), Kevin Nkitseng (Jonas Lediga), Fawcett Ngoatje (Jonas Lediga) Craig Fourie(Emmanuel), Kevin Smith(Emmanuel).

Associates:

Susan Hodgson (Administrator).

It was moved that apologies be sustained and that Prof. Pillay and other associates present, be associated with the meeting.

Proposed, seconded and agreed.

3. Combined Worship service

The public service of worship was held as approved at the 18th March 2018 special meeting. Rev. Nkayi led the service, Tshwane Choir participated, and Prof. Pillay preached a message of unity. The Moderator served Communion. St. Andrews congregation prepared well for the event. It was a joyful service.

4. Afterwards

The Moderator thanked those who had participated in the service.

5. Mabopane relocation

Noting that due process was followed and proper notice given, the meeting condoned the action of the Moderator in calling the special meeting as per the following notice circulated on the 13th April 2018:

Notice is hereby given that the Moderator of Tshwane Presbytery, Rev. Nthali, is calling a special meeting to be held on the 21st April 2018, immediately following the Presbytery service that is scheduled for 14H00 on the 21st at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 294 Francis Baard street, Pretoria. The purpose of the meeting is to deal with a request from Mabopane Presbyterian Church regarding the relocation of their Church facilities as per attached documentation.

and agreed to immediately proceed with the business that is the subject for this special meeting.

Proposed, seconded and agreed.

The report (as per appendix) was tabled.

Proposals:

That Presbytery

1. receives the report
Proposed, seconded and agreed.
2. ratifies the relocation of Mabopane Presbyterian Church as per attached proposal from the McCormick Property Development.
Proposed, seconded and agreed.

6. Closure

The meeting was closed with prayer, led by Rev. W van Heerden, at 15H35.

Confirmed this day, the _____ of _____ 2018.

Moderator

Clerk

7. Appendix

TO: Rev Frikkie Botha

Clerk: Presbytery of Tshwane

RELOCATION OF MABOPANE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

06 April 2018

At its meeting held on the 16 September 2017, Mabopane Presbyterian Church Session allowed Mr Thato Mosupye from McCormick Property Development responsible for the construction of a shopping centre on Erf 1908, which lies adjacent to our church premises to make a presentation. Mr Mosupye made a presentation on their plans and proposal for our church to be relocated to a new site. Session was satisfied with the presentation since it brings new possibilities for Mabopane Ministry and resolved to present the proposal to the Annual Congregational Meeting (ACM) held on 1 October 2017.

On the 1 October 2017 in the ACM, session presented the proposal to relocate the church premises since the relocation will bring new possibilities for our ministry, which included the following:

1. A bigger land compared to what we currently have

2. New building, which will include a bigger church, new manse with additional hall with bigger kitchen,
3. The hall will be used for children ministry activities, currently children ministry does not have dedicated facilities

The ACM resolved that the relocation of the church proposal be supported with the following conditions:

That relocation will take place after the new structure as per item 2 above is 100% complete
That the congregation will incur no cost in the relocation

The ACM further nominated members from the Session, Stewardship Committee and from congregation in general to form the Task team. That Task Team will consider all matters relating to the church relocation and to advise the Session accordingly, and they are:

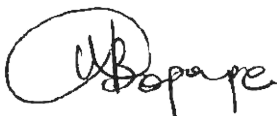
Harry Bopape - Convenor of the Task Team
Henry Baloyi - Convenor of the Stewardship Committee
Prudence Teffo - Stewardship Committee member
Thabiso Chauke - Congregant
William Bopape - Congregant
Margaret Mnisi - Congregant
Kabelo Moeketsi - Congregant
Leah Schwibidu - Session member
Bernard Motshabi - Session member
Thabo Khwebane - Session member

Mabopane Presbyterian Church resolution to relocate to be ratified by Presbytery of Tshwane as per the attached proposal from McCormick Property Development.

Proposal

- Presbytery receives the report
- Presbytery ratifies the relocation of Mabopane Presbyterian Church as per attached proposal from the McCormick Property Development.

Yours Sincerely,



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28 March 2018

Mr. Harry Bopape
Mabopane Presbyterian Church Erf
1907
Mabopane Unit X
Tshwane

Dear Sir

Relocation of the Mabopane Presbyterian Church to Erf 1628 Mabopane Block X

We wish to refer to various discussions in the above regard and wish to place the following on record, for your convenience:

- It is the intention of McCormick Property Development to construct a shopping centre on Erf 1908 Unit X Mabopane, which lies immediately adjacent & to the North of the existing church buildings.
- During our initial planning and design of the centre, it has become evident that by also incorporating the land on which the Mabopane Presbyterian Church is currently located (Erf 1907 Mabopane Unit X), a much more efficient design for the shopping centre will be made possible.

With this in mind, we wish to make the following proposal to the congregation:

- We will, *totally at our cost*, construct a new Church building; residence for the Pastor and Children's Church on Erf 1628 Mabopane, as per architectural drawings agreed to and signed off by the parties.
- Once these premises are 100% completed in all respects, we will request the congregation to relocate to the new site within seven (7) days.
- This move will allow us to then demolish the existing church and Pastor's residence and use the land on which they are situated for the proposed shopping centre.

This proposal will have the following benefits for the congregation:

- The church and other buildings will be moved to brand new premises, built on an erf which is larger than the existing site (Erf 1628 is 3,788 hectares in extent)
- In addition to the facilities currently available to the Church, a new Children's Church will be added.
- The relocation will be at no cost to the congregation.

- There will be no risk to the congregation as the relocation will only take place after the new buildings are 100% completed.

We would like to propose the following way forward :

- We shall request our attorney to draw up an agreement between McCormick Property Development and the Mabopane Presbyterian Church that captures the essence of what has been proposed here above. *All legal costs will be for the account of McCormick Property Development.*
- Once this agreement has been signed by duly authorized signatories of our respective organisations, we will again request our attorney to draft an offer to purchase Erf 1628 from its current owner by the Presbyterian Church. *Note that we will provide the agreed upon purchase price of R1, 75 million, as well as transfer duties and all other legal costs to the Mabopane Presbyterian Church.*
- Once the transfer of Erf 1628 into the name of the Presbyterian Church has taken place, our contractors will commence with construction of the new structures on Erf 1628.
- As stated above, once the new structures are 100% completed, the Church will relocate to its new home.

To get these processes started, we would appreciate it if you could:

- *Provide written confirmation* that the Mabopane Presbyterian Church and/or the National Head Office of the Uniting Presbyterian Church (UPCSA) are in basic agreement with our proposal.
- *Provide the names and ID Numbers* of representatives of the church who will be signing off on all legal documents mentioned above, on behalf of the church.

We look forward to your response at your earliest convenience

Regards

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