

PRESBYTERY OF TSHWANE

The Minutes of Tshwane Presbytery meeting
held on Saturday 11th Feb 2023 at 9h00 at Rustenburg Presbyterian

1. Constitution:

The Moderator constituted the meeting with a devotion from Hebrews 2:1-4 and opened in prayer.

2. Formalities

2.1. Present

Ministers: Wayne van Heerden (Centurion West/Clerk), Theo Groeneveld (Emmanuel), Mzwandile Patrick Nyauza (Jonas Lediga), Frikkie Botha (Premier Mine/Moderator), Mzwamadoda Zwai Mtyhobile (St Andrews Pretoria), Allan Paskwababiri (St Francis).

Seconded Ministers: Fundiswa Amanda Kobo (UNISA/Mamelodi East), Fuzile Ntshona (Mamelodi Gardens SANDF).

Ministers without Charge: Sisanda Mpafi (Pretoria Central), Roger Tem (Mabopane)

Minister Emeritus: Graham Duncan.

Probationers: Matshidiso Piroe (Pretoria North), Lincon Hardouin (Saints), Graham Fryer (St Marks).

Elders: Griffiths Lubisi (Centurion West), Kevin Smith (Emmanuel), Brenda Groeneveld (Emmanuel), Modiegi Phalane, (Ga-Rankuwa), Fawcett Ngoatje (Jonas Lediga), Pinky Mawasha (Jonas Lediga), Manelisi Shumane (Pretoria Central & Session Clerk), Godfrey Thema (Pretoria North), Eleanor v/d. Merwe (Session Clerk & Alternate Rustenburg), Peter Silwimba (St Andrew's Pta & session Clerk), Nonceba Mashalaba (St Francis/Gender Desk), Mapula Masilela (St Marks), Christinah Ntjie (Thumedi Makgahlela).

Church Development Evangelist: Rean Fourie (Commissioner/Rustenburg).

Stated Supply: Frederick Makgahlela (Thumedi Makgahlela&SessionClerk).

Associates: Thapelo Motokolo (Ga-Rankuwa/Session Clerk), Wendy Seatlholo (Ga-Rankuwa), Kevin Nkitseng (Rolls & Records Jonas Lediga), Harry Maishe Bopape (Session Clerk Mabopane), Peter Masilela (Session Clerk Mamelodi East), Monty Nyakale (Session Clerk Mamelodi Gardens), Violet Baloyi (Treasurer /Pretoria North), Thabo Masete (St Peters Session Clerk), Kgomotso Kgwale (Youth Convener/ St Peters), Matthew Botha (Trinity Session Clerk & Alternate), Florah Makgahlela (Thumedi Makgahlela), Susan Hodgson (Administrator).

Rustenburg associated: Rose Turusida, Mirriam Mathye, Solly Tuele.

Platinum Belt associated: Vuyokazi Sodidi, Athi Swelindawo.

Youth Desk: Kgomotso Kgwale

2.2. Apologies

Ministers: Nomasonto Simelane (Mamelodi Gardens/Stoffel Park), Lentikile Mashoko (Saints), Craig Morrison (St Columba's), Micah Nthali (St James Matsulu), Lungile Mpetsheni (GS).

43 **Seconded Ministers:** Thando Mpambani (Correctional services/Ga-Rankuwa), Buhle
44 Mpofu (Phola/University Pretoria), Musa Masuku-Peters (SANDF).

45 **Minister without Charge:** Zolani Makalima

46 **Minister Emeritus:** Dennis van der Spuy.

47 **Elders:** Norma Maja (Jonas Lediga & Session Clerk), H. Baloyi (Mabopane), Marvin
48 Bopape (Mamelodi East), Thabo Dikgale (Mamelodi Gardens), Margaret Magwaza
49 (Mamelodi Gardens), Jabu Ngwenya (Session Clerk/Commissioner Soshanguve), M.
50 Solomon Nthali (St James Matsulu), Johannes Kwaedi Milanzi (St Peters), Louise
51 Ruch (Trinity).

52 **Associates:** Daniel Ndlovu (St James Matsulu Session Clerk), Herbert Mnisi (St
53 Paul's Marite), Simon Shaba (PEF).

54 **2.3. Minutes to be approved**

55 • 12 Nov 2022

56 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

57 • 29 Jan 2023 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

58 **2.4. Notices of Motion**

59 **NOM1: Graham Duncan**

60 At a time convenient to Presbytery I will propose that:

61 1) Rev ME Mtyhobile be appointed Minute clerk of Presbytery;

62 2) That he identify and select up to four members of Presbytery to be trained in the
63 writing and preparation of Presbytery minutes;

64 3) That at least one of whom should be a lady, one an elder and one a youth
65 member;

66 4) That a progress report be submitted to the May 2023 meeting of Presbytery;

67 5) That this take effect at the time of the induction of the next Moderator of
68 Presbytery.

69 *(After Clerk's report)*

70 **3. Office Bearers' Reports**

71 **3.1. Moderator**

72 *Frikkie Botha*

73 **P_3.1.1** Presbytery receives the report.

74 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

75 **P_3.1.2** Presbytery, in view of an issue that arose in the reception of the report,
76 appoints Rev Nyauza (with powers to co-opt) to meet with Rean Fourie to
77 clarify his concerns and suggest a way forward to the next meeting.

78 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

79 **P_3.1.3** Presbytery noted that Mr Rean Fourie expressed a lack of trust in the
80 Moderator. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

81 **P_3.1.4** Presbytery instructs its Ministry Committee along with the Moderator and
82 Clerk to assess the status of all Seconded Ministers and Ministers without
83 charge in Presbytery, in terms of compliance, their involvement in the UPCSA
84 and their involvement in local UPCSA congregations, and report back to the

85 May 2023 meeting. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

86 **3.2. Clerk**

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Wayne Van Heerden

88 **P_3.2.1** Presbytery receives the report.

89 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

90 **P_3.2.2** Presbytery instructs all congregations to complete and submit their D(3)
91 form as per 10.27 (dd). *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

92 **P_3.2.3** Presbytery appoints

93 Matshidiso Piroe, Graham Fryer, Patrick Nyauza, Sharon Simelane as Ministers
94 Thabo Masete, Kgomotso Kgwale, Peter Silwimba, Nonceba Mashalaba as
95 Elders

96 Wayne v Heerden, Frikkie Botha, Harry Bopape and Norma Maja as Alternates.
97 And Thabo Masete as the Nominations Committee Representative.

98 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

99 **P_3.2.4** Presbytery forwards the name of Rev Vusi Mabo as our nominee for
100 Moderator Elect. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

101 **3.3. NOM1: Graham Duncan**

102 Graham Duncan spoke in support of the NOM. After discussion it was proposed
103 that:

104 **P_3.3.1** Presbytery resolves that:

105 1) That the presbytery identify and select up to four members of Presbytery to
106 be trained in the writing and preparation of Presbytery minutes;

107 2) That at least one of whom should be a lady, one an elder and one a youth
108 member;

109 3) That a progress report be submitted to the May 2023 meeting of
110 Presbytery;

111 4) That this take effect at the time of the induction of the next Moderator of
112 Presbytery.

113 5) Presbytery requests congregations to send the names of possible
114 candidates, accompanied by a short motivation, according to the criteria given
115 in point 2 by 31 March 2023.

116 6) Presbytery appoints Thabo Masete, Zwai Mtyhobile, Graham Duncan and
117 Theo Groeneveld to train the nominated candidates.

118 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

119 **3.4. Treasurer**

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Violet Baloyi

121 **P_3.4.1** Presbytery receives the report.

122 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

123 **P_3.4.2** Presbytery notes the progress update status of the PBO registration at
124 congregational level.

125 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

126 **P_3.4.3** Presbytery notes the response from Phola.

127 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

- 128 **P_3.4.4** Presbytery, noting the lack of clarity on our Missional Projects, instructs the
129 PBC to bring a way forward to the next presbytery.
130 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 131 **P_3.4.5** Presbytery notes that Theo Groeneveld gave notice that he would bring an
132 overture to the General Assembly to the May Presbytery to update Appendix
133 D3 to include items like annual PBO report, IRP5 certificates, etc.
134 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

135 **4.Matters Arising**

136 **4.1. St Francis Waterkloof**

137 Allan Paskwababiri reported that the application for his work permit had been
138 submitted.

139 Proposal:

140 **P_4.1.1** Presbytery receives the report.

141 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

142 **P_4.1.2** Presbytery instructs St Francis congregation to keep the clerk updated with
143 regard to the work permit of the Rev Paskwababiri and submits copies of all
144 relevant documents. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

145 **4.2. Gender Desk Request**

146 The Clerk reported that very few congregations had responded to the request for
147 Gender Desk representatives.

148 **P_4.2.1** Presbytery receives the report

149 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

150 **P_4.2.2** Presbytery reminds all congregations of the instruction to send the names
151 of their representatives to the Gender Desk Convener by 28 Feb 2023.

152 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

153 **5.Ministry**

154 **5.1. Convenor's report**

155 *Craig Morrison*

156 The Clerk presented the report on behalf of the convener.

157 **P_5.1.1** Presbytery receives the report.

158 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

159 **P_5.1.2** Presbytery notes the recommendation of the Presbytery Ministry
160 Committee for both Mr Fryer and Ms Piroe to proceed to ordination.

161 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

162 **P_5.1.3** Presbytery notes the intention to host a Service of Welcome at Sedibeng
163 House for returning and new students and empowers the Moderator, Clerk,
164 Sedibeng Chaplain and Treasurer to assist in the facilitation thereof.

165 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

166 **P_5.1.4** Presbytery appoints Rev F Ntshona as part-time minister to Mamelodi
167 Gardens for three years (from 1 Jan 2023 – 31 Dec 2025); and instructs

168 Mamelodi Gardens to subtract PAYE and to issue an IRP 5 to the minister.
169 Proof of this needs to be given to Presbytery Treasurer on an annual basis.
170 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

171 **P_5.1.5** Presbytery notes the application from Mamelodi East congregation and
172 extends the appointment for Prof Kobo from 1 Sep 2023 until 31 August 2026;
173 and instruct Mamelodi East to subtract PAYE and to issue an IRP 5 to the
174 minister. Proof of this needs to be given to Presbytery Treasurer on an annual
175 basis. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

176 **5.2. Fellowship of Vocation**

177 *Thando Mpambani*

178 The Clerk presented the report on behalf of the convener.

179 **P_5.2.1** Presbytery receives the report
180 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

181 **P_5.2.2** Presbytery adds Mrs Mnisi to the list of those in the Fellowship of Vocation.
182 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed*
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184 **6. Assembly Work**

185 **6.1. Composite report**

186 *Wayne van Heerden*

187 **P_6.1.1** Presbytery receives this consolidated report.
188 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

189 **6.2. Youth Report**

190 See appendix...

191 **P_6.2.1** Presbytery to receive the report
192 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

193 **7. Mission and Discipleship**

194 **7.1. Convener's report**

195 *Freddy Makgahlela*

196 **P_7.1.1** Presbytery receives the report
197 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

198 **P_7.1.2** Presbytery notes, with gratitude, the number of people applying to be part
199 of the order of Lay Ministries and wishes them well in their journey.
200 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

201 **P_7.1.3** Presbytery notes with joy the progress made by PtaN congregation.
202 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

203 **7.2. MAD Matters Arising (Supplementary)**

204 Presbytery considered the report and paused for a time of prayer as it considered
205 the appointment and ordination.

- 206 **P_7.2.1** Presbytery receives the Report.
207 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 208 **P_7.2.2** Presbytery changes the status of Pretoria North from “New Worshipping
209 Community” (Nuclear Congregation) to “Developing Congregation”
210 (Transitional Congregation). *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 211 **P_7.2.3** Presbytery agrees to appoint Matshidiso Piroe as Part Time minister to
212 Pretoria North Congregation and sets 26 Feb 2023 (at 12h30 for 13h00) as the
213 date for for her appointment and ordination and appoints Lincon Hardouin to
214 conduct worship and Lentikile Mashoko to preach the charges.
215 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 216 **P_7.2.4** Presbytery instructs PtaN to subtract PAYE and to issue an IRP 5 to the
217 minister. Proof of this needs to be given to the Presbytery Treasurer on an
218 annual basis. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

219 **8.Congregational Care:**

220 **8.1. Convener**

221 *Lentikile Mashoko*

222 The Clerk presented the report on behalf of the convener.

- 223 **P_8.1.1** Presbytery receives the report.
224 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 225 **P_8.1.2** Presbytery cancels the visitations of the previous years and starts with 2023
226 visitations. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 227 **P_8.1.3** Presbytery requests SAINTS and Premier Mine to give the names of
228 commissioners they appoint to do their visitations before May Presbytery
229 Council Meeting. Failure to do so, Presbytery will appoint the team in May.
230 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 231 **P_8.1.4** Presbytery appoints, Lentikile Mashoko as Interim Moderator to Rustenburg
232 as from February 2023 till February 2024.
233 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 234 **P_8.1.5** Presbytery appoints Zwai Mtyhobile as Interim Moderator to Ruigoek,
235 Platinum Belt and Khayakhulu as from February 2023 until February 2024.
236 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 237 **P_8.1.6** Presbytery appoints Graham Duncan as Interim Moderator to Trinity, as
238 from February 2023 until February 2024.
239 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*
- 240 **P_8.1.7** Presbytery re-appoints Roger Tem as Interim Moderator to Mabopane as
241 from February 2023 until February 2024.
242 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

243 **8.2. ET Legodi**

244 *Frikkie Botha*

- 245 **P_8.2.1** Presbytery receives the report
246 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

247 **8.3. Komatipoort – Christ the King**

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Micah Nthali

249 The Clerk presented the report on behalf of the I.M.

250 **P_8.3.1** Presbytery receives the report.

251 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

252 **8.4. Pretoria Central**

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Sisanda Mpafi

254 **P_8.4.1** Presbytery receives the report.

255 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

256 **8.5. St Marks**

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Dennis van der Spuy

258 The Clerk presented the report on behalf of the I.M.

259 Presbytery considered the report and paused for a time of prayer as it considered
260 the call and ordination. After the call was approved, the Moderator presented the
261 call document to Graham Fryer.

262 **P_8.5.1** Presbytery receives the Report.

263 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

264 **P_8.5.2** Presbytery approves the call of St Marks to Graham Fryer and sets 12 March
265 2023 (12h30 for 13h00) as the date for for his appointment and ordination and
266 appoints Matshidiso Piroe to conduct worship and Douglas Bower to preach
267 the charges. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

268 **P_8.5.3** Presbytery instructs St Marks to subtract PAYE and to issue an IRP 5 to the
269 minister. Proof of this needs to be given to the Presbytery Treasurer on an
270 annual basis. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

271 **8.6. Stoffel Park**

272 *(Under the Oversight of Mamelodi Gardens – Fuzile Ntshona and Sharon Simelane))*

273 **P_8.6.1** Presbytery receives the report

274 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

275 **P_8.6.2** Presbytery notes the close down of the ministry to Stoffel Park.

276 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

277 **P_8.6.3** Presbytery notes that the appointment of Rev Simelane came to an end on
278 the 31 December 2022. *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

279 **9. Rolls and Records**

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Kevin Nkitseng

281 There were no congregations who had been asked to bring their books but the
282 convener noted that there was a manual training.

283 **P_9.0.1** Presbytery receives the report

284 *It was proposed, seconded and agreed.*

APPENDICES

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1.Youth Desk Report

295 There are a few challenges experienced by the Youth of Tshwane UPCSА. This report will
296 outline just the three most critical issues.

297 They are: Unemployment; Mental Health (Depression, suicide) and Academic Stress

298 1. Unemployment: To try and remedy this issue, the Government circular is shared with
299 the Youth Secretary for distribution to all the youth. Further to this, a list of recruitment
300 agencies will be sought and distributed accordingly.

301 2. Mental health together with Academic stress: We have planned to have workshops
302 with the help of the Education desk in line with the 2023 year plan as outlined below.

2023 Youth Desk Year Plan

Event	Venue	Date
Mental Health (Depression & Suicide) Workshop	TBC	16 June 2023
Finance Workshop	Jonas Lediga	09 September 2023
Academic Stress Management + Exam Preparation skills	St Peter's Mothotlung	21 October 2023
Youth Roadshow with Heartlines	TBC	7-10 December 2023

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