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Building together with music

The community of Eluvukweni Anglican Church in Crossroads came together with the musical community of Bishops' Diocesan College for a truly wonderful concert on Sunday 6th of August. The goal was to raise funds for the church and community centre in Crossroads.

What an amazing event full of talented musicians! We were treated to a wonderful mix of music from "The Prayer", Volare, Jesu Joy, and many other treats classical and popular! The choirs, orchestra, brass bands, wind ensemble, Simply Blue were amazing! Both College and prep school took part as well as staff members. The marimbas gave a wonderful performance outside as we enjoyed cheese and wine!

The choir from Eluvukweni rendered a classic hymn followed by two songs for dancing – and even had an 80 year old on the floor dancing! The two choirs came together with a rendition in Swahili and ended with a moving hymn of worship.



We are very grateful indeed to the boys who gave up their precious Sunday afternoons for the concert, and especially to music director Mark Mitchell who planned and worked tirelessly to pull it all together. A huge thank you to the Parents Association, to Bobby and his family and team for selling tickets and organizing the wonderful cheese and wine afterwards!

Many thanks for Revd Monwabisi for allowing us to use the beautiful chapel with its outstanding acoustics! And to Mr Reeler and the wonderful marketing department for all the amazing support. And what a wonderful MC – Minah Coela had us all in stitches the whole evening – our star from Juju le Toi! (Gugulethu)

For the choir of Eluvukweni it was an amazing experience to be part of such a concert. It was an extremely difficult weekend

with the taxi strikes as at one point we thought they might not make it as taxis were striking, buses being burned and private cars also being stoned.

But they decided to walk through the streets of Crossroads to the N2 in order to get lifts and not miss out. Sadly not all the congregation members who had bought tickets were able to attend.

The fundraiser was an incredible success, a huge thank you to all those who bought tickets and attended.

The total came in at an incredible R200,000!

Thank you, thank you Bishops College!

- the Revd Rachel Mash
- Main Photo: Sara Couves

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Archbishop's Education Endowment Fund for Theological Education

Please support the Archbishop's Education Fund so that we can continue to train priests for the future of our church. Thank you for all donations received. If you would like to contribute please consider a donation.

A sum of R1 483 201.67 has been raised thus far.

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EDITORIAL

Compassion means "to recognize the suffering of others and then take action to help." In our church, August is focused on compassion, embodying a tangible expression of love to others. I read of a different approach, 'Compassion helps us to love ourselves'. For many, it's more difficult to 'love ourselves', so we focus more on loving others. When we accept the person God has created us to be, it will be easier to love ourselves and in turn, we will be able to love and care for others more meaningfully.

A Prayer for Compassion

Oh God, I wish from now on to be the first to become conscious of all that the world loves, pursues, and suffers; I want to be the first to seek, to sympathize and to suffer; the first to unfold and sacrifice myself, to become more widely human and more nobly of the earth than of any of the world's servants.
— Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, S.J. (1881–1955)

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Events and Notices

GREYLADIES AGM: Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of The Greyladies Association will be held at St Saviour's Church Hall, Claremont on Tuesday 19 September 2023 - 14h00 for 14h30. Please RSVP by 8 September. Refreshments will be served before the meeting. For more info contact Barbara Fogarty on 082 923 3544 or Email: greyladiesasn@gmail.com.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DIOCESAN HEALTH CARE FUND

Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Diocesan Health Care Fund will be held at ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH, PINELANDS on THURSDAY 05 OCTOBER 2023 at 10:00

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St Michael's CYCC AGM
10 September 2023 at 15:00
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CALL FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS
St Michael's CYCC and Youth Care Centre is inviting you to the Remembrance Meeting on Sunday 10 September 2023 at 15:00.
Venue: St Michael's CYCC 3 Henrichs Road, Pinelands
Nominations are open for new Board Members and prospective persons should submit a Curriculum Vitae via email to: admin@stmikesct.org.za or Contact Lovaine on 082 242 9983 / Sandra 021 797 4196.
For further information call 021 797 4196 / 082 242 9983 WhatsApp 082 503 6799
Board application for new members to reach us by Thursday 1st of September 2023.

THE **Spring PARTY**
LIVE BANDS & DJ
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Bring along your own XXX & Platter for your table

COMPETITION TIME
WE ARE GIVING AWAY 10 REGISTRATION TICKETS TO 10 YOUNG PEOPLE, TO ATTEND THE ANGLICAN ABLAZE 2023 CONFERENCE
Anglicans Ablaze
The Anglican Youth of Southern Africa, together with Growing the Church (GCCL), is sponsoring 10 young people, to attend the Anglican Ablaze 2023 Conference on 4-7 October 2023.
Send us your write up on any of the below environmental awareness initiatives and stand a chance to win:
ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS INITIATIVES:
1) Planting a garden tree - send us photos and a write up on this activity and the reasons behind it.
2) How have you made sure that your school/church/office has recycling bins? Tell us about it and send photos.
3) Write up on how you have reduced the use of plastic in your daily life.
Email to: president@ayasa.org.za by 25 August 2023
TERMS & CONDITIONS
1) All tickets for the youth @ R2000 each of R200.
2) The winner will be selected by the Anglican Youth of Southern Africa on 15 August 2023.
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CoTT celebrates its 30th anniversary



The College of Transfiguration (CoTT) celebrated its 30th anniversary of theological education and development 4-6th August 2023.

Top centre: Bishop Joshua Louw, a few clergy, our ordinands and parishioners representing our diocese at the celebration.

Bottom left: Bishop Joshua celebrates at one of the Eurcharists.



From the Bishop's Desk

Dear Friends
Thanksgiving, honour and praise belong to our God.

Greetings to you as we celebrate **Women's Month and the Month of Compassion**. Women's Month allows us to thank God for all women in the world and our lives for the successes and struggles they overcame. We pray for equality and respect among all of God's people.

The month of Compassion allows the church to reach out to all those in need and to highlight organisations that are doing excellent work among the marginalised in our communities. Let us support those good initiatives.

Diocesan Social Responsibility workshop

We had our first social responsibility workshop, and we want to thank Hope Africa, who facilitated the process. At the gathering, we elected a cleric and layperson to journey with Hope Africa to determine how to establish a formal structure and identify our social responsibility priorities. We give thanks to God for the work of Fikelela in the diocese, as this new structure and the YPM office will take over its work of social responsibility. Fikelela will now focus solely on the Children and Youth Centre in Khayelitsha.

Taxi strike

We thank God it is over because we know it could have had a far more devastating impact on our communities. We give thanks for the involvement of the religious communities and civil society in finding a solution and pray for ongoing cooperation so that situations like these can be averted.

COTT 30th anniversary

What a wonderful occasion we've had in celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the College of the Transfiguration in Makanda (Grahamstown). It was good to look back and give thanks to God for the other theological colleges like St Peter's - FEDSEM, St Paul's, Grahamstown, Le Lapa Le Jesus, Lesotho and St Bedes, Umtata, which gave birth to the founding of COTT. Looking at the portraits on the walls on the walls of the Tutu (common) room, we realised how many priests and even bishops were trained there. One then values the positive impact of this institution in

ACSA and beyond. It was good to meet up with classmates, lecturers and others as we could share our stories and dream together of COTT for the future. All ex-students of COTT and its forerunners, as well as those who want to be friends of COTT, are asked to register to be on the database. Each diocese has an alumni convenor, and the college has requested Venerable Mkhusele Lujabe to be ours, do expect to hear from him soon.

Mother's Union

We were blessed by the World Wide President, Mrs Sheran Harper, of the Mothers Union, visiting our region and diocese and preaching at St Cyprian's, Langa. What an occasion.

Diocesan Layministers

We thank Archbishop Thabo for initiating the annual gathering of lay ministers with their Bishops. This year's gathering was a Eucharistic service with our Archbishop on the couch or around the fire, to be interviewed from a list of questions drawn up by the lay ministers. Archbishop, thank you for your wisdom and guidance as we, together bishops, priests, and laity, commit ourselves to the work of God. We also want to give thanks for our first diocesan preaching course in a very long time that is in progress. Watch the space as we hope to license those 'graduates' soon. Thanks to COTT, who has guided us in this, the Dean of Studies, and his team of lecturers. We appreciate it.

Vocational Guidance Conference

It is always a humbling experience when men and women come to ask the church to discern their vocation inside or outside the church. The one certain that we always have is that God calls. To the candidates presented, thank you for allowing the church to help you discern the direction. Congratulations, therefore, to the nine persons, as we're able to determine together what your calling was inside or outside the church. May you be steadfast in that calling and be faithful to God.

Rest in peace Revd Marcus Slingers

As much as we experience death, it continues to be a stranger, often unwelcome. We, therefore, want to express condolences and prayers as Colleen, Joshua, Brad and Lauren, together with Marcus's mom and the extended family, will



have to face the future without Marcus. May you be assured of God's infinite love for you and our prayers and support during your journey. Marcus will always be remembered for his love for God and God's people, especially the children and young people. May his soul rest in peace and rise in glory.

ACSA Young People's Ministry Month

We look forward to ACSA Young People's Ministry month in September and our annual YPM service, which will take place on 3rd September at 3 pm at St George's, Silvertown. Let's all be there, young and older, to support our young people in ministry.

Diocesan Synod 2024

Please pray for the Synod Advisory Committee 2024, as our first meeting for our Synod will take place from 13-15 June 2024. Pray for our Manager of Synod, the Archdeacon to the ordinary Terry Lester. More information will be made available as we progress, but remember that Synod meets every three years and is the highest decision-making body in the diocese. So, please start thinking about our diocese and possible changes you would like to propose.

Let us always remember that there is so much to give thanks to God, so focus on those things, and I am sure that it will inspire us to face the challenges we are confronted with.

God bless! +Joshua, Table Bay



In memory of Revd Marcus Slingers

We, as a diocese, mourn the passing of Revd Marcus Slingers. I knew Marcus from when he was a school teacher in Bridgetown and then as a priest. Marcus was a dedicated priest, and even with his health challenges, he lived out his vocation and always tried to be positive. We pray for Colleen, Joshua, Brad & Lauren, his mom Mrs Slingers, siblings and extended family.

We also pray for the parishes where he served: St Cyprians - Retreat, St Philip the Deacon - Kenwyn, Church of the Reconciliation - Manenberg, St George's - Silvertown and St George's Cathedral, Cape Town, as well as the lives that he impacted.

May we all be comforted by God's promise that he will never leave or forsake us. May Marcus's soul rest in peace and rise in glory! **+Joshua**

Consecration of Church of the Holy Spirit Life Centre



On Sunday 30 July 2023, Archbishop Thabo formally consecrated the new Church of the Holy Spirit, Life Centre at a joyful service where Revd Brendan Fox was also instituted as Minister-in-Charge and Associate Rector of Parish of St John the Evangelist, Wynberg.

The vision was not just for a new, bigger church building which focussed only on Sunday use, but for a Life Centre which would be open to all throughout the week and which partners with other individuals and organisations to serve and connect local communities, as an expression of God's unfailing love and the good news of the fullness of life which we find in Jesus.



It has been a long dream in the making. Over 20 years ago, the Church of the Holy Spirit (CHS) was planted in Kirstenhof, out of the vision, people and resources of the churches of St John's Parish and with the support of Bishop Christopher Gregorowski.

Several families left their home churches to help start this new faith community and moved into the old barn and began converting it into a place of worship. As the church grew, the vision for a new facility emerged: a two story multi-purpose community space that would serve CHS and the surrounding communities. In 2004 plans for a new building fell apart after they were unable to get council permissions, but in 2016 the process restarted and the new building was completed in 2023.

The Life Centre is a new home not just for the church, but also for some of the following organisations based there: Future Sparks (after school tutoring and mentoring programme for teens from Westlake); Dignity Campaign (helping young people find their identity and purpose in God); Limitless (a creative community striving to communicate the gospel through various performance arts); Anova Health (Department of Health partner providing home based care in Westlake); In Training (gym and fitness); KS Counselling and Mediation and The Table Cafe.

We give thanks to God for His faithfulness and provision and pray that the new building would be used to his praise and glory.



L-R: The Revd Brendan Fox was instituted as Minister-in-Charge at Church of the Holy Spirit, Kirstenhof and associate rector of the Parish of St John the Evangelist, Wynberg by Archbishop Thabo Makgoba on 30th July 2023. Middle: The **Ven Mkhusele Lujabe** was instituted as rector of St Andrew's, Newlands on 12 August 2023 by Bishop Joshua Louw and Right: **The Revd Canon Nobuntu Mageza** was instituted as rector of St Mary Magdalene, Gugulethu on Sunday 13 August 2023 by Bishop Joshua Louw.

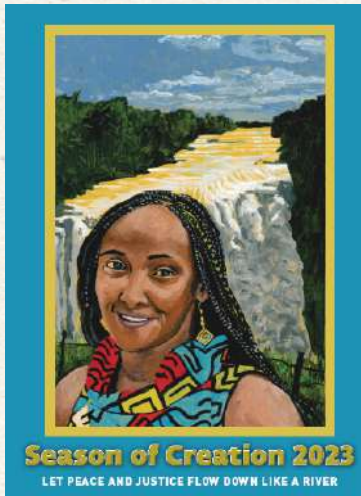
The Season of Creation

Runs from 1st September- 4th October 2023. The theme for this year is

"Let Rivers of Peace and Justice flow"

Our image this year is Liz Wathuti the young climate activist who addressed the bishops at Lambeth. Please find the manual here:

https://www.greenanglicans.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Final-Manual-2023_compressed.pdf



You can also find the sermon notes for each Sunday at: <http://www.preachingforgodsworld.org>

Please register at www.seasonofcreation.org if you would like to find out more information about events and resources during the Season and please use the hashtag #seasonofcreation when posting events on social media so that we can share your stories!

Joyous Confirmation service at St Cyprian's Langa

A Joyous Celebration Service filled with love and commitment took place 13 August 2023 at St Cyprian's, Langa. The service was filled with excitement and jubilation as 24 candidates were confirmed by the Bishop Joshua Louw. Mrs. Mcutshenge, Mr.

Ndzuzo & Mr. Dziba journeyed with these candidates. They sacrificed their time to teach about Christianity, Anglicanism and Holy Communion under the guidance of the Priest-in-Charge, the Revd Siyabulela Tshatshu.



We thank Bishop Joshua Louw, who led the service and spoke about the power of praying during our daily life. It was a remarkable occasion that brought our congregation together and the community, in a spirit of (UBUNTU no MANYANO) unity and togetherness, love as we had lots of family members who were in support of the newly confirmed candidates and shared in their spiritual growth. The sense of joy, happiness and pride was all over their faces as we welcomed the newly confirmed candidates with the blessing from the Bishop. As the congregation of St Cyprian's Church Langa, we will continue to nurture and guide as they will be members of (GSS) Guild of Servants of the Sanctuary, (GBFS) Girls Bafana Friendly Society & (AYF) Anglican Youth Fellowship members. May the power of the Holy Spirit embrace them and guide them in the right direction. - **Vuyani Dziba**

Soil for Life (SFL) provides skills for healthy living

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Soil for Life is a public benefit organisation whose goals and vision knit well with that of our Green Anglicans.

Their main goal is to replenish soil that has been depleted over the years by encouraging communities to grow their own vegetables, thus enriching the soil and simultaneously giving them access to nutritious, non-GMO food.

They essentially teach people how to grow their own vegetables, but within that process address so many environmental issues i.e.

- Making compost by using veggie scraps, thus minimising the waste that goes to landfills
- Replacing minerals in the soil when preparing trenches.
- Re-using plastic bottles for home made fertilisers, natural pesticides, etc.

- Saving Water through drip irrigation
- Recycling- using cardboard and paper, which are bio-degradable, in the trenches

They offer an 11 week hands on training course, where participants learn to make seed boxes, plant seedlings, dig trench gardens, make compost, fertilisers & pesticides, learn about crop rotation, companion plants, natural pests and disease control, sheet mulching, vertical gardening, harvesting and seed-saving. All this is done under the watchful eye of their very skilled trainer.

Then there is also the health aspect, where participants are taught about minerals and vitamins and which vegetables are rich in them.

However, this course provides you with much, much more than expected in more ways than one. Other than learning to garden, you could start a small business utilizing the skills you had acquired. It is also a spiritual journey where sharing is key. When you sign up to do the course, be prepared for an infilling of peace, joy and love.

It is hard work, but, the joy you feel when you harvest your own organic vegetables and use it to cook a meal with side dishes, is immense!

When I joined the course, I was looking to up-skill myself, little did I know that I would be connected with so many kindred spirits from all walks of life. What a joyous journey and yet another goal of SFL ticked that of bringing communities together! These are skills for living!

We at St Andrew's Steenberg have been running these courses, in association with SFL for the past year and have produced 58 certificated home gardeners in the community with our new course starting in September 2023. We have also started our own vegetable garden on the church premises, which supplies the soup kitchen.

Soil for life was started in 2002, so in this their 21st year of existence, we say Congratulations!

Thank you for the excellent work you do to empower communities. We are proud to be associated with you and wish you well for many more years to come. May your harvest be abundant!

- **Shereen Adams**
St Andrew's Church Steenberg



Ad Laos to the people of God

When the taxi strike paralysed much of Cape Town this month, religious leaders joined forces to intervene both with city authorities and the taxi industry in order, as I said in St George's Cathedral on Women's Day, "to give the people of the city a light and a path that will lead to a possible solution."

The relatively quick end to the immediate crisis a day later was encouraging, but we still have a long way to go before Cape Town's transport situation stabilizes.

Our condolences go to the families of those who died in the violence which the strike prompted, and please continue to pray for a long-term solution to the situation.

Within the church in the Western Cape, we have suffered significant bereavements in recent months, with the deaths of the Revd Canon Karl Groepe, formerly Dean of Studies in the Diocese of Cape Town, the Revd Marcus Slingers of the Cathedral, and the Revd Canon John Suggit (at the age of 101). Our condolences go to the Groepe, Slingers and Suggit families.

As the long life of John Suggit reminds us, we are a Eucharistic community, doing all "in remembrance of Him." As I said at his funeral, people not familiar with a Eucharistic theology and spirituality were powerfully moved by John's conviction of the centrality of the Eucharist to our faith, and of the potential which this act of worship offers for the transformation of the world. (You can find the sermon on my blog at: <https://archbishop.anglicanchurchsa.org>)

Whether we are consoling the bereaved, comforting the suffering, or calling on the City of Cape Town and the taxi bosses in Santaco to "press the pause button" and explore peaceful alternatives to their impasse, we do all in remembrance of the Prince of Peace, who said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives" (John 14:27).

At the centre of the Eucharist, or Thanksgiving, is an attitude of gratitude. We are grateful for the relative peace that pervades our country as a whole, in spite of all the hardships and inequality, and we pray for Niger and other countries in turmoil.

Pray also particularly for Eswatini and our sisters and brothers there as they prepare for elections in August and September, and then begin a National Dialogue on their future. Anglicans are expressing the wish that the country's Elections and Boundaries Commission will facilitate



a free and fair election which, with the dialogue, will usher in a peaceful era for the nation. And in our neighbouring Anglican province of Central Africa, pray for the people of Zimbabwe as they too go to the polls.

The Church of the Holy Spirit, Kirstenhof, has recently dedicated their Life Centre. We are proud of them for this step forward.

On that note, thanks to Bishops School for the recent musical they staged to raise funds for Eluvukweni Anglican Church in Crossroads. Please, parishioners of the Diocese of Cape Town, do help me and the parishioners of Crossroads to build a church and Early Childhood Development Centre to enable them to minister to and educate their community more effectively.

I ask for your prayers for next month's meetings of the Synod of Bishops and Provincial Standing Committee, during which bishops, clergy and lay representatives from our dioceses in Eswatini, Lesotho, Namibia, St Helena and South Africa will gather virtually. You can see what will be discussed and decided upon by looking up the PSC agenda on the provincial website: <https://anglicanchurchsa.org/>

Finally, our warm congratulations to Bishop Eddie Daniels of the Diocese of Port Elizabeth on being named a Sub-Prelate of the Order of St John of Jerusalem, and to Canon Andrew Hunter, the former Dean of Grahamstown, who retired in Cape Town recently and who has now been named Dean Emeritus of the Diocese of Grahamstown.

God bless you
++Thabo Cape Town



An Interfaith prayer service for peace
took place on the 9th August 2023 at
St George's Cathedral.

Archbishop Thabo Makgoba blessed the Mayor of Cape Town, Geordin Hill-Lewis and the Chairperson of SANTACO, Mandla Hermanus, during the service.

Photographer: Anwar Omar



FUNERAL OF THE REVD CANON JOHN SUGGIT:

Attending the funeral with Archbishop Thabo and Bishop Margaret Vertue of False Bay (holding staff) were, from left, Bishop Raphael Hess of Saldanha Bay and retired bishops Garth Counsell, Christopher Gregorowski, Martin Breytenbach, Geoff Davies and Geoff Quinlan. They were photographed outside St Margaret's Church, Fish Hoek.

Bishop Joshua visits ANSOC

On the 30th July 2023, ANSOC-UCT was fortunate to have the Rt Revd Joshua Louw visit during our late Sunday morning service at St Paul's Rondebosch.

Having started with the full procession, readings from our members Jos, Abigail and Nicholai as well as the gospel reading from the Revd Isaias ensued before the sermon by the bishop. In the Bishop message he took much focus from the gospel reading from Matthew, being The Parable of the Yeast.

In it, it tells of many analogies of how the Kingdom of God can be described, where from the yeast it was able to grow into something which becomes great and beautiful. It ultimately explains the elusiveness of the Kingdom of God and that if we find it, we should bask in it and become agents of change in our communities. We were also treated to a mini-dance session where Bishop Joshua played us a song during the sermon.

After the sermon, the rest of the service commenced where we had communion and after the bishop dismissed us, we stayed and took our customary after-service photo. After the uplifting service, the members of ANSOC took a short walk to AnHouse where they had a delicious hot meal waiting for them. Upon arrival



ANSOC was welcomed with open arms by the rest of the residents of AnHouse. Whilst everyone was getting settled in and the food was being brought out, we enjoyed some refreshments in the form of juice, tea and coffee and engaged in conversation with the bishop. After all the food had been brought out, we said grace and enjoyed a plate of biryani and some salads. During the feasting, the bishop and the students spoke all things sports from the Net-

ball World Cup to the upcoming Rugby World Cup. After lunch we all headed outside to capture the very special moment before having to sadly say goodbye to the bishop. Fortunately, not all was lost for ANSOC and AnHouse as after the departure of the bishop we played a variety of games. All in all, the visit from the bishop was a success. We as ANSOC hope to strive to be the yeast of the community just as the bishop has challenged us to be. **-Mel Awu**

Layministers service at St Paul's Cape Town



The service took place on 23rd July 2023 and celebrated layministers in our diocese. Archbishop Thabo Makgoba was the president.

Athlone Archdeaconry Youth Day Jamboree

With the build up to celebrating Youth day, the Athlone Archdeaconry did what they do best, UNITE. In meeting with our new Athlone Archdeaconry YPM Chaplain, Revd Jennifer Swartz, it gave me, as the Coordinator, a great sense that our Archdeaconry is in capable hands to be taken forward into new and uncharted territory. The first step in taking our Archdeaconry Youth Ministry forward was getting the interest of the leaders in order to grow in unison.

Planning for June 16th was first on the events list. As time is always of great importance, we dared to tear the box apart and reimagine what Youth Ministry would look like to make it rel-

way of doing so? From a handful of participants at our initial engagement to a whole group of individuals on social media and within a short space of time, plans were made, tasks were delegated and with much prayer and enthusiasm the Athlone Archdeaconry kicked into full gear in celebration of Youth Day.

The event highlighted the potential of our young people, their gifts and talents are necessary for sustaining the building of our church not only now but for the future and we need to remind them of their relevance in the body of Christ.

As chaplain of the Athlone Archdeaconry Youth, I am humbled



would be called 'Building up the Temple' to signify a fresh start and building from the ground up, the Diocesan YPM Coordinator Jesse Pastor was in attendance to share the message.

ple". – Tristan Stellenberg. Indeed, together we building God's kingdom one brick at a time.

**- Chaern Golding
Athlone Archdeaconry**

Some of our members added; The worship team was excited to lead the day in honouring God. This Jamboree left me feeling hopeful for our youth who are hungry to be fed spiritually". – Natalie Floris. Another leader added "It was great being part of the committee who planned this event, it felt heart-warming to minister games with God's children in building up the tem-



evant for our young people, our Chaplain had the following to say: "Planning is always key to an event and these days it is rather challenging to get a group of people together to meet in person." With load shedding and the cold, rainy weather, it posed as a risk to that planning. However, who would have thought that social media was another viable

and excited by the tremendous effort our Youth put into making the event successful, they were dedicated, hardworking and served to glorify God. May we continue to guide and uphold our youth in prayer".

In reimagining our vision for youth ministry, we found it fitting that our theme for the Jamboree



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