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Re. Missional Partnership with Mukhanyo for Christ's Kingdom

Dear Partner Churches,

Greetings in the name of Christ our King!

We at Mukhanyo want to request your church to become more involved in the training of church leaders for southern Africa. There are many biblical churches in South Africa who have been greatly blessed by God for many years with biblical and reformed theology. But many of these churches are still looking for the best way to **share the blessings of their theological heritage** with others who are young growing Christians and churches in southern Africa and desperately need leaders who have a deeper grounding in the great truths of God's transforming grace. This is our vision at Mukhanyo, and we now invite you to participate with us in this vision.

As you most of you might know, Mukhanyo Theological College has been busy training church leaders on a variety of levels for **more than sixteen years**. Our vision is to glorify God by equipping church leaders on a variety of levels in a diversity of ministerial areas in order to serve Christian churches in Africa with relevant high quality in service training.

Mukhanyo is a registered section 21 company (2003/014401/08) with **accreditation** in South Africa by the Council on Higher Education and **registration** of the Department of Education (2009/HE08/002) for theological instruction at the diploma and bachelor degree levels. We are also providing bridging courses on certificate level to prepare students to enter the Diploma and higher levels of training. The BA Honours degree at Mukhanyo is a programme of the North West University (NWU) in Potchefstroom, offered in KwaMhlanga by accredited lecturers of Mukhanyo.

Mukhanyo wants to continue promoting this vision of relevant high quality in service theological education, but we cannot do so without **continued financial support**.

In the past, we've looked mostly to international churches for support. We still have many international ties with some financial support, but the present global economy has limited the assistance international churches are able to provide.

This is the reason why we are now approaching you directly and asking for your help.

How can your church assist the missions ministry of Mukhanyo Theological College? There are three main ways churches in South Africa have given to Mukhanyo in the past.

Some churches **pledge a monthly or quarterly donation** to the Mukhanyo general operational fund. This fund is used to pay expenses such as staff salaries or stipends,

administrative expenses, and other operating costs. Many lecturers donate their time each week supported by their sending churches. So these expenses are kept as low as possible; but every organization has operating expenses that must be paid.

Other churches have chosen to **sponsor a theological student for a year of study** through the Student Bursary Fund. This fund is used to pay the tuition fees of students from poor churches. It also pays the on-campus accommodation fees for students who live far from the college. This fund does not pay for student textbooks or provide pocket money to students for personal use. In this regard some churches have entered into a contract with a student to assist them with missions and church planting activities in their own area from Thursday afternoons to Monday evenings and then pay the student a stipend plus his study and accommodation fees at Mukhanyo. In this way several new Reformed congregations have been started and churches have been planted.

A third possible way, you may also consider is **to partner with Mukhanyo is to support a distance education teaching site**. We are busy rolling out **our new Mukhanyo Distance study programme** that is designed to empower mentors with discipleship material and off campus local theological training in their own area in townships in South Africa, but also in Zambia and even as far as Southern Sudan. We make lectures available in DVD format with a user friendly study guide that a teacher (pastor or facilitator) can use to set up a teaching site in his own area.

Perhaps your church can partner with Mukhanyo by assisting in one of these ways? Please see the donation details at the end of this letter. Your financial support is an investment in missions ministry for the expansion of Christ's kingdom in Southern Africa.

We are grateful for the many churches that already support us in our mission to equip Christians and church leaders in southern Africa. Please pass on our appreciation to individuals and church groups who are presently supporting Mukhanyo.

Please contact us at Mukhanyo if you have questions about our missions ministry or if you think Mukhanyo can help you with a local missions project. Please also continue to pray for us as we continue working to promote Christ's kingdom in southern Africa.

Sincerely,



Dr Brian de Vries, Principal
Mukhanyo Theological College.

cc: Rev Tebogo Mogale
MTC Board Chairman

Mukhanyo Theological College

Donation Pledge Form

Yes, we want to partner with Mukhanyo's mission:

- We want to promise the following financial support:
 - Monthly Quarterly
 - R 500 R 1,000 R 2,000 Other: R _____

- We want to support the theological studies of a student in 2010:
 - One Certificate in Theology student (R 2,550)
 - One Diploma in Theology student (R 3,675)
 - One Bachelor of Theology student (R 7,550)
 - On-campus yearly accommodation (R 11,800)

- We want more information about the Mukhanyo Distance program

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please make bank transfers to:
Mukhanyo Theological College
Nedbank-Montana
Branch: 155345
Account: 1553 033 205

Please indicate your name and donation purpose on the bank transfer.

We sincerely appreciate your faithful support of our missions ministry!