



Joop van der Vegt is our new Manpower Consultant. He is a specialist in labour affairs and will review MTC's job descriptions, service agreements, performance evaluations, employment and disciplinary procedures. Joop is from Vereeniging and was manager of manpower at African Products.

Festive Diploma Ceremony

MTC's Diploma Ceremony was on February 28. About 300 guests became part of the students' joy and gratitude towards God. Nicholas Nyawuza was the only Honours student in Theology. Four students completed the BTh: Jons Flentge (cum laude), Frans Modiba, Fanny Mthimunya and Matthews Sibanyoni. Three students received the Diploma in Theology: John Mahlango, Lucky Mokwena and Samaria Mokwena. Five students completed the Certificate in Christian Ministry: Raymond Mabatle, Israel Mabija, Joseph Mmola, Job Ngwenya and Maria Songa.



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Students and staff 2009

Did you know?

- Mukhanyo means Light shining in the darkness.
- Mukhanyo Theological College has had about 70 students who obtained their degrees/diplomas/certificates since its founding 16 years ago.
- This year MTC has 3 certificate students, 11 diploma students, 21 BTh students and 5 Honours students.
- At this year's diploma ceremony there was one honours student, four students received their BTh degree, three the Diploma in

Theology and five the Certificate in Christian Ministry. Five students received the Bundu Bible Certificate completed a new short course in Biblical Counselling.

- The son of one of MTC's first students is now also studying here. He is Benjamin Zulu from Zambia.
- Two female students who were vulnerable children at our MCDC Care Centres felt the call of God to enroll for their Theological studies this year as a foundation for teacher's training or other further studies. They are Anna Mahlango and Pinki Mpeke.



Pinki says: "I am studying this certificate course now as a stepping stone to become a good Christian teacher. I don't want to just have a job and money. I want to teach children all about God – everything that I was taught at the MCDC care centre. I want to teach them about the love of God and that He cares about each one of us. That He is always there for me, even if I am devastated by the word around me – like I felt when my father died."

Pinki has been a Sunday School teacher for a few years. "Children are my passion and I want to work with them for the rest of my life," she says.

Anna says:

I want to work with the youth and tell them about God's plan in everyone's life. Today's youth only want alcohol and drugs, but they have to find God."

Anna says they were very poor. Sometimes she gave her food to her younger brothers, because they were so hungry. "But God sent the people of Sun City to us and after that we were not hungry any more. At Sun City I found God and now I just want to learn more and more about Him.

Anna wants to further her studies in Theology rather than go teaching.



Students come from all over Africa



Most MTC students are from the surrounding area of KwaMhlanga, but then there are five foreign students. They are **Benjamin Zulu** from Zambia, third year BTh. **Godwin Ale** from Sudan, second year BTh, **Jeremie Havugimana** from Ruanda, Third year BTh, **Derek Olebohile** from Botswana, Fourth year BTh and **Sameul Lusambya** from the Demokratik Republic of the Congo, first year BTh

Staff Stories

Our staff members are not only lecturers – they also use their God-given talents elsewhere to honour and praise God.



Brian de Vries was inaugurated on January 25 as the first English 'Dopper' minister of the Reformed Church in South Africa in the Brooklyn congregation. He founded the Reformed Urban Ministires (Cruma) in Sunnyside.

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Arthur Miskin was inaugurated as minister of the Rietvallei Reformed Church on February 15.