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## INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

TO: CHURCH LEADERS IN NELSON MANDELA BAY

FROM: THE DISTRICT DIRECTOR: NELSON MANDELA BAY DISTRICT

DATE: 12 JUNE 2018

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR SCHOOLS AND LEARNERS

A working group from the Nelson Mandela Bay Church leaders, coordinated by Mr Richard Draai, met with me and my Senior Management Team to explore ways churches and the Department of Education could work together to address the educational challenges facing our Metro.

Our Metro and its hinterland contributes substantially to our country's growth and development in the automotive, agricultural and tourism sectors. We share a common vision of adequately equipping our leaners to enable them to one day find meaningful employment in the economic growth and prosperity of our region and beyond.

On Friday, 11 May 2018 we finalized a list of items that we consider to be manageable by churches and in turn could make a substantial contribution to assisting local schools. We believe church premises provide a safe space and have suitable facilities to accommodate these activities.

We would appreciate it if you would motivate your congregants to become involved in any of the activities list below:

- 1. Adopted a school in your municipal ward.
- 2. Focus on primary schools and early childhood development.
- 3. Run Educational clubs for homework, reading and maths & science.
- 4. Support staff, parents, and learner through strong prayer networks i.e. Mothers who care.
- 5. Support current moral regeneration initiatives i.e. Character Transformation.
- 6. Provide sanitary towels for learners.

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We would appreciate your willingness to work together to assist learners to become productive citizens of Nelson Mandela Bay.

12/06/18 DATE

Yours in Education

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