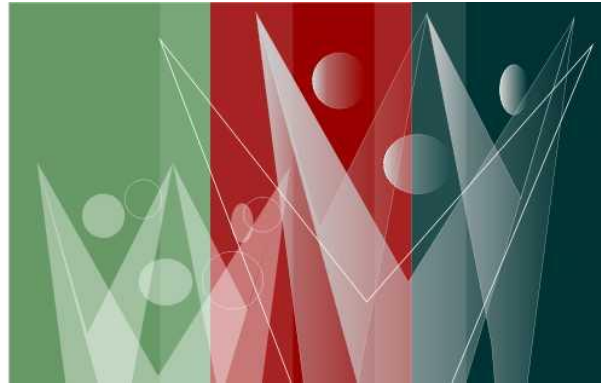




Good day Chris van Wyk,

CLOSING THE GAP by mobilizing partnerships

How can the Church start closing the “gap” left by the social and economic injustices of the last 300 years? The urgency of the hour demands that we start mobilizing the South African churches to form partnerships to work together to close the inequality, poverty and unemployment gaps in every municipal ward in Gqeberha and South Africa. A number of churches in Gqeberha have developed manageable training programs that will make a major contribution to tackling the gap in inequality (education & health); food security and unemployment.

We are encouraging churches to form partnerships and share already proven training courses that address our challenges with strategies that embrace sound biblical foundations ie Anglican Board of Education SA has set a goal of opening 5000 “schools” on their church premises in the next 5 years. Listed below are the contact details of churches already sharing their knowledge and experience with others. TCN is currently building up a data base of available courses Ref www.tcn.org.za

Inequality:

1.1. Education:

- Isivuno Teacher Training (ECD)
 - Unathi Gumenge 079 956 7097 or info@isivunotraining.org
- ABESA: Anglican Board of Education SA (5000: 5)
 - Jaques Pretorius 082 897 1397 or jaques.pretorius@abesa.co.za
- Petra Institute Courses
 - Jenni Meyer 072 284 4564 or jmeyer@petra.co.za
 - <https://youtu.be/yaBARGy0DZA>
- Heartlines
 - Lubabalo Ngcolom 061 498 1886 or lubabalo@heartlines.org.za
- E-School Literacy Classes: (Ebenezer North)
 - Russel Viljoen 083 685 8490 or rtviljoen1968@gmail.com
- LEVA Foundation: Fathers House:
 - Ryan Le Roux 072 010 1385 or ryan@levafoundation.org
 - <https://youtu.be/bGJfUhiu5IQ>

1.2. Health:

- Community Clinic: (Ebenezer North):
 - Russel Viljoen 083 685 8490 or rtviljoen1968@gmail.com
- Mobile Clinic: Victory Ministries
 - Office Number 041 452 4771
- Church Clinics: (Department of Health Promoting Manager):
 - Fikile 082 097 2788

Poverty: (Food Security)

- Action Against Hunger – Anchor Churches
 - www.tcn.org.za or WhatsApp: 083 520 2940
- Farming Gods Way:
 - Nikki Dryden nikki@farming-gods-way.org
- Gardens of Faithfulness:
 - Office: info@farming-gods-way.org

Unemployment: (Job Preparation)

- Work For a Living (WFAL): Harvest and Gelvandale
 - Chantal Van Rensburg chantal@work4aliving.org
- LEVA Foundation: Fathers House
 - Ryan 072 010 1385 or ryan@levafoundation.org

Safe and Clean City: (Crime and Violence)

- Partnership with Community Policing Forum (CPF)
 - www.tcn.org.za or WhatsApp: 083 520 2940
- Partnership with South Africa Policing Services (SAPS)
 - www.tcn.org.za or WhatsApp: 083 520 2940
- Restoring Gods Creation: i.e: Sustainable Sea Trust (SST)
 - Dr Stacey Webb stacey@sstafrica.org.za

For other initiatives refer to www.tcn.org.za. If you would like to add your initiative to the TCN website please email info@tcn.org.za

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