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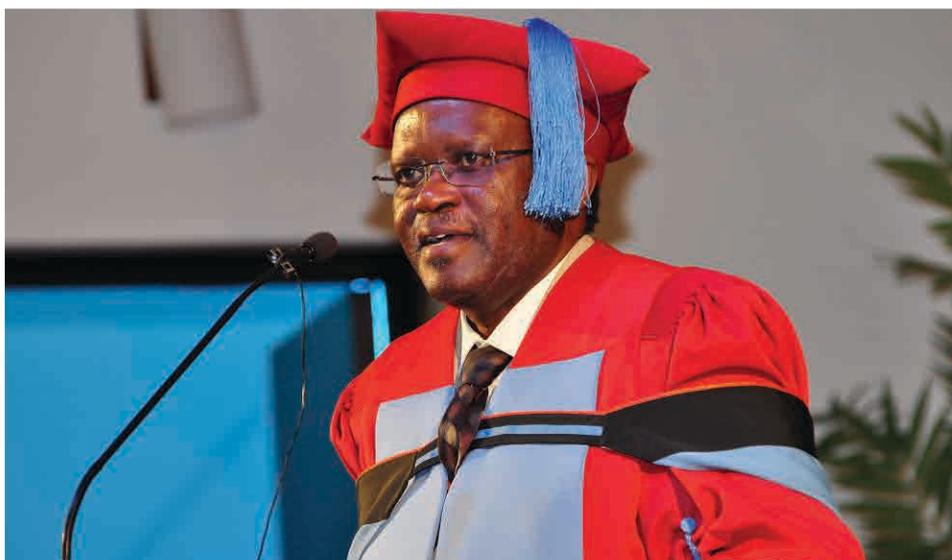
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COLLEGE CELEBRATES 120th YEAR ANNIVERSARY

On 5 December 2013 Helderberg College celebrated 120 years of existence and service to the community.



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Dr Hudson Kibuuka, Associate Director for Education, General Conference

The chief guest for the 120 years celebration program was Dr Hudson Kibuuka, Associate Director for Education, General Conference.

The dignitaries that attended were of Dr. Tankiso Letseli, President of SAU, Ps. Kunene, Executive Secretary, Mr Odendaal and Chief Financial Officer, Dr. Gerald Du Preez, Education Director, Mrs Sybil Du Preez, Communication Director, Dr P Shongwe, Stewardship Director. In addition, Mr K. Kapinga, High Commissioner of Botswana, Prof Zhou Chengping and Prof Guohua Xu, and several others, were present for the occasion.

The event was organized to remember the pioneers who with great sacrifice and vision established the institution. Furthermore, the administration, staff and students, recommitted themselves to focus on the mission and vision of the institution. The program brought

fond memories of the journey travelled by the institution over the past 120 years, and the institution continues to fulfill its original mission of producing competent graduates for the job market and preparing them for eternity. Dr Vincent Injety, in his welcome drew a comparison between the ministry of God's servant Noah and Helderberg College. Just as Noah preached for 120 years, Helderberg College has been preparing ministers and youth in proclaiming the love of God for humanity. In his address Dr Hudson Kibuuka highlighted how Christian education should help change and develop our churches and environment, and how Adventist education helps in preparing our youth for whatever life's challenges they might come across. He said, "An organization, Church, or society should not suffer nor lack development as a result of the high quality education offered by an institution such as

Helderberg College for more than a century”.

Dr Eddie Appollis and Mr Phillip Plaatjies presented an overview of the history of the College combined with a video presentation by SID Media. The lovely music coordinated by Mr Jannie Kritzinger, set the tone for the rest of the programme. Por Su Gloria, a mime group from the College presented a short play and showed the positive milestones reached by the

College, despite the social, political and economic realities through the years, and a vibrant atmosphere was created by the students of the College.

Elder Ted Wilson, President of the General Conference, in his message to Helderberg College congratulated the Council, staff and students for reaching this milestone. He concluded his message with a quote from MP Robinson saying, “The major objective was to make religion a personal

experience in the life of each student a practical religion which finds expression in the standards of conduct, attitudes and ideals and in the development of individual responsibility for the betterment of mankind.”

We recognize the committed service and contribution that pioneers have made to Helderberg College.

The Helderberg College family would like to thank all the stakeholders for their continued support. Hail Helderberg!

ALUMNI FUNDRAISING DINNER

The Helderberg College 120 years celebration programme was followed by an Alumni and Friends of Helderberg fundraising dinner.

In attendance were the alumni, friends of Helderberg, staff, Church members, SAU and Conference officers. The Class of 2013 as the new alumni received a warm welcome from the alumni officers. This year the alumni from the years 2003, 1993, 1983 and so forth also received special mention of being part of the alumni.

The election of the alumni officers for 2014-2015 began with a nomination process which was held on 9 September 2013 and the new officers for 2014-2015 are:

President:

Dr Bongani Mngcwango

Vice-President:

Dr Patrick Jones

Secretary:

Dr Conrad Zygmont

PR Officer:

Mr Denzel Fourie

Treasurer:

Mrs Carmen Classen

Emphasizing the future development of the College and Adventist education, Dr Vincent Injety presented a list of fundraising projects identified in accordance with the Strategic Plan of the College. Those present were challenged to take part in the

projects of the College in order to realize the dream of the College. The spontaneous responses brought in generous contributions from families of graduating students, alumni and the Church.

The families of Olivio Keshipoco, Igor Nascimento, Marcio Fabio Pedro and Anabela Kazoco donated R100,000.00 for the upgrade of the English Language Institute (ELI). These four graduating students come from Angola, and their contribution affirms the significant role played by the ELI to students from non-English speaking countries.

Dr Patrick Patrese Jones, who strongly champions holistic development of young minds, donated R50,000.00 for the development of the soccer field.

The Southern Africa Union, the parent body of the College, donated R120,000 towards a development project, in addition, to their constant support to the mission of the College.

The generous gifts cheered the hearts and the jubilation continued as Mrs Carmen Klink auctioned the special

anniversary cake for R 1000.00. The celebration continued as the SAU officers together with the College administration presented the Donor of the Year Award to Mr and Mrs Zuki Mxoli for taking up the Annexe Building Project of 2.3 million rands.

The Alumni honoured Dr Delyse Steyn, Ms Khumo Mzozoyama neé Tlhagwane, Mrs Rebecca Joubert and Mr Andile Masuku for their contribution to the community and positive impact they have made in their selected fields.

The well-attended dinner with lovely music, and delightfully set tables ended on a high note and warm appreciation.



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From left: DR. VR Injety, Olivio Keshipoco, Anabela Kazoco, Igor Nascimento, and Marcio Fabio Pedro.

2013 GRADUATION CEREMONY

Special advisor to the Minister of Education delivers the Commencement Address.

The College held its graduation exercises from 6 to 8 December 2013 which brought together visitors, church officers, parents, sponsors and the Class of 2013.

The motto of the Class, "In Christ we change the world" echoed throughout the graduation weekend. Ps Hensley Mooroven, Associate Secretary, SID who took the consecration service on Friday, emphasized that when you get a blessing, become a blessing. The baccalaureate service speaker Dr. Hudson Kibuuka, GC. Education Director brought out the importance of God's guidance in our lives and how abundantly he blesses us if we stay true to His work. He encouraged the graduands to share those blessings with others. In the words of Dr. Kibuuka, "Be the change you want to see in the world and start with the next person you meet."

On Sunday, the commencement day ceremony unfolded with the marching in of the dignitaries, faculty, senior academics staff and graduates adorned with their regalia. The sound of music set the tone for the occasion. Dr John Pampallis, Special Advisor to Honourable Minister of Higher Education Dr Blade Nzimande and Training delivered the commencement address, drawing lessons from the life of Nelson Mandela.

Dr Pampallis comes with a rich experience in the field of



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Dr John Pampallis Special advisor to the Minister of Education

education. Director of the Centre for Education Policy Development, Evaluation and Management in 2001, was instrumental in establishing an Education Policy Consortium (EPC) which is a partnership of four university-based Education Policy Units including the one which was based at the University of Fort Hare. The most significant activities of this consortium have been associated with a joint Sida/Dutch programme of research on Human Rights, Democracy and Social Justice in Education and a large research project on Rural Education in South Africa which was conducted with the HSRC for the Nelson Mandela Foundation. He is a researcher and a writer disseminating progressive ideas and has other extensive experience in the field of education and economic development.

The Vice-President for Academic Administration, Ms Charlene Reinecke assisted by the faculty deans, presented sixty-four candidates for the degrees and diplomas to be awarded by the Chancellor, Dr. Tankiso Letseli. Helderberg College is an accredited institution and all degrees and diplomas are registered with the Ministry of Higher Education and Training.

Every graduate received generous applause from the audience as the degrees were awarded. This was followed by the Presidential Charge by Dr. V.R. Injety who highlighted the importance of character development as a priority in Adventist Education together with striving to make a difference in society. The Alumni Charge was given by Dr. B. Mngcwango who inspired the graduates to go and change the world. The class of 2013 responded to the call in unison and expressed their commitment and determination to make a difference.

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7. Finances:
Anton Botha
8. Social:
Zamokuhle Masondo
9. Training and development:
Gabriel Oberholzer

NEW STAFF

Pumelele Nzeuza

Pumelele Nzeuza joined Helderberg College on 15 November 2013 as our Development and Fundraising Co-ordinator. He holds a bachelor's degree in Media Culture and Communication from Nelson Mandela University, Port Elizabeth. He worked as PR officer for the SABC in promotional campaigns such as Iron man SA, Child and Welfare South Africa and was the PR Officer and Marketer for Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality. He served the Church as an SDA English teacher in Mokdong and Cheonho-dong, South Korea. May God continuously use him in his vineyard as he starts a new chapter at Helderberg.

Vamokuhle Nyembe



Vamokuhle Nyembe joined Helderberg as the new Human Resources Officer in January 2014. She was born in Ladysmith, KZN and her family resides now in Groenkloof, Pretoria. She holds a BSoc Sci (Honors) in Psychology and a Post Graduate Diploma in Human Resource Management, both from the University of Cape Town and a Masters in Psychology from Stellenbosch University. She is excited to be part of the Helderberg family and prays for God's wisdom and guidance as she pursues the goals of the department and the organization to reach a higher level.



ASI HOLDS CASSD CONFERENCE AT HELDERBERG COLLEGE

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The keynote speakers were Dr. Keith Burton Center of Adventist-Muslim Relations at Oakwood University, Dr Ganoune Diop Associate Director of Public Affairs and Religious Liberty, Dr Maxine Garvey, Chairperson of Department of Allied Health at Oakwood University, Dr Hudson Kibuuka, Associate Director in the Department of Education at the General Conference, Dr Prudence Pollard, Assistant Vice-President for Faculty Development and Research and Dr Zacchaeus Mathema, Director of the AUA Leadership Development and DMin. Programmes.

The conference attracted about 45 presenters from Adventist tertiary

institutions, public universities, business organizations from Africa and abroad. The presentations from Helderberg College were as follows:

Dr Eddie Appollis presented on Mentoring Students in Higher Education as an Integral Part of Youth Development.

Prof John Chipimpi, Prof L. Injety, Dr Stanley Nangoy presented on Choice Motivators and Barriers among Adventist Youth Pursuing Tertiary Education in Business, Psychology and Communication in the Western Cape Province.

Mrs Gelyn Musvosvi presented on Harnessing Underutilized Promotional Tools within the SDA Church An Empirical Study

Dr Conrad Zygmunt presented on An Exploratory Study of the Relationships between Social Support, Sense of Community and Daily Spiritual Experiences of Adventist College Students.

The papers presented during the Conference will be compiled into a journal to be published in 2014. The ASI President, Professor Themba Sirayi and CASSD 2013 Chairman, Dr. Alvin Masarira who steered this Conference extended a special thanks to all the Helderberg staff and students who gave hands-on assistance both before and during CASSD.



2.3 MILLION DONATION FOR ANNEXE RENOVATION

The Annexe Building, built decades ago served as the married student housing until 2011. The building had to be left unoccupied because of its dilapidated condition.

The College has been accommodating married students on campus and the need for additional building grew increasingly bigger, so the Annexe Project was deemed as the priority. A generous donation of 2.3 million from Mr Zuki Mxoli and Mrs Palesa Mxoli of Mxoli Properties was a timely gift and a blessing to the College. This building when completed will accommodate eight families.

Currently, the renovation is going on and the building will be ready before the end of 2014. The College family sincerely thanks Mr and Mrs Mxoli for making the full contribution for the completion of Annexe Project



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From left Mr M. Venter, Dr T. Letseli, MR S. Msengana, Dr V.R. Injety, Mrs Reinecke and Mr Mxoli receiving the donor of the Year Award

NEW BEGINNINGS FOR ANDISWA

Andiswa Zenia Sentile joins Helderberg College Arts Faculty to pursue her studies in Psychology (foundation year).

Andiswa Zenia Sentile joined Helderberg College Faculty of Arts to pursue her studies in Psychology (foundation year). Andiswa was under the care of Lilitha Labantu Women's Shelter and shared a keen interest to take up further studies in spite of her very challenging background. Helderberg College VP Student Services Mrs Sihle Msengana and Admissions Officer Mrs Songwiqi together with the shelter, made efforts to source funding after earnest prayer came Mrs Alero Schroeter and Mr Jochen Schroeter came forward to



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From left Dr VR Injety, Helderberg College President, Alero And Jochen Schroeter (Sponsors), Andiswa Sentile, Sandisiwe Moyo, shelter social worker, Mandisa Dlali, shelter manager and Morris Mumba, shelter accountant.

sponsor Andiswa. She begins her studies with comfort and confidence in this new chapter of her life. It goes to show that with prayer, teamwork and the support from the community anything is possible.

SIPHO DRYPHUS SULUMANE

1952-2014

Mr Siphos Dryphus Sulumane was born in 1952. He started serving at Helderberg College in 1970 at the age of 23 in the Maintenance Department. He served the College for over 40 years and thus knew every part of the campus well. He always worked hard to provide for his wife and his daughters.

He recognized the importance of good education and ensured that his children pursued their studies diligently. His two daughters are graduates of Helderberg College, and the rest of his children are studying too. Sadly, he was laid to rest at the age of 61. He leaves behind his wife and five daughters.



For the Lord does not abandon anyone forever. Though He brings grief, He also shows compassion according to the greatness of his unfailing love.»

Lamentations 3:22-26; 31-32 (NLT)



HELDERBERG COLLEGE CREATING LINKS INTERNATIONALLY

A delegation from China visited Helderberg College with the intention of enrolling Chinese students in the English Language Institute.

Earlier in 2013 Dr Carol Sutcliffe was sent as an ambassador of Helderberg to China and a relationship was established with Jiangsu University. Guests from Jiangsu Second Normal University in Nanjing visited the College.

The delegation comprised Prof. Zhou Chengping, Vice-President for the Teachers of Jiangsu Province and Prof Guohua Xi, Chief of Scientific Research. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed in terms of mutual cooperation between Jiangsu University and Helderberg College. Their visit coincided with the 120 years Celebration Programme, and the delegation had the privilege of learning more about Helderberg College.



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Prof. P. Platjes, Dean of Faculty of Arts with Prof Guohua Xi, Chief of Scientific Research & Prof. Zhou Chengping, Vice-President for the Teachers of Jiangsu Province

Master Guide Investiture

Towards the end of the second semester October 2013 the Master guide investiture service took place in the Anderson Hall. Ps Pako was the guest speaker and it was also attended by the nearby churches. In the

afternoon the whole group participated in an outreach programme at the Lwandle Community.



DEAN'S LIST OF EXCELLENCE (DLE)

Students qualify for the DLE when they have an average grade for the semester's normal load of no less than 75%, and no letter grade below "B".

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Nicole Bunding
Deborah Julies
Karryn Kelmovitz
Aluta Kibi
Ambrose Martin

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Jan Odendaal
Adriana Songa
Philip Stevens
Ngonidzashe Tichiwansana
Hope Vengesa

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Ryan Damons
Hendrik de Winnaar
Theophilus Ileka
Jonathan Julies
Andrew Moonsamy
Mphandle Nkosi
Wesley Robb
Marius Rossouw
Michael Smit
Lourens Snyman
Francois van Tonder
Werner van Wyk

*We welcome all alumni and friends of Helderberg College to write to us. Your inspirational articles, comments, questions and compliments are appreciated. We also encourage unsolicited manuscripts (preferably with pictures).
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