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ST. BERNARD MIZEKI MEN'S GUILD



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REPORT TO PROVINCIAL STANDING COMMITTEE

1. INTRODUCTION

St. Bernard Mizeki Men's Guild affiliates to more than 22 Dioceses throughout the Southern Africa, including Namibia, Lesotho and Angola. The motto of the Guild from Psalm 119:9 gives a clear indication of what the Men's Guild is all about and what it seeks to achieve.

2. GUILDS CORE BUSINESS

The core business of the guild is deepening Spirituality, and the Guild has identified a number of goals which are expanding and giving more meaningful reasons to the existence of the Men's Guild. These goals include amongst others, Social Responsibility projects, Income generation projects for purposes of Education and Social Relief Fund. The Guild has undertaken to make a special effort to support the COTT and make it its business to see to it that such an assertion is realized. The Guild monitors and evaluates its performance against its goals in four meetings per annum, two Executive meetings and two Provincial Council meetings.

3. STRATEGIC FOCUS OF THE GUILD DURING THIS TERM

The 17th Triennial Conference of the Guild which was hosted by the Diocese of Port Elizabeth in 2014 declared the current term a Social Responsibility term. Registration as an NPO commenced and the registration processes are expected to be finalised by no later than February 2017.

The Guild has chosen this strategic goal having zoomed in the harsh realities that the South Africans are facing which will include amongst others but not limited to, inequality, poverty, HIV/AIDS quagmire, TB and other deadly deceases, etc.

The Archbishop's appeal to donate clerical clothing to Angolans has been considered and the Minister of Military Services is being engaged for assistance with the shipment of the said clothing.

4. GENLIFE

The Guild has established working relations with Genlife with the aim of securing the lives of its members and that of the members' immediate family members and any other church members that may find the policy suitable enough to cater for their needs. The Guild has managed to convince Genlife to sell a policy that is tailor-made for the needs of the Guild members. The policy is expected to be fully implemented by no later than the 01st May 2016.

5. CONCLUSION

The Guild would like to thank the Synod of Bishops for appointing Bishop Steve Morewa as the Guild's Liaison Bishop and in the same vain the Guild would like to thank Emmeritus Bishop Nakwantumba for a sterling job well done during his tenure as the Guild's Liaison Bishop. Lastly the Guild appreciates the opportunity presented to it to submit a report to the Synod of Bishops.

President: Rev E Masoka; **Chairman:** Bro M Tsika; **Sec:** Bro F Maki; **Dep Sec:** Bro MP Genu; **Treasurer:** Bro L Batwa; **Chaplain:** Rev L Tyali; **Com Officer:** Bro F Maki; **Social Dev:** Rev S Myeko; **TDO:** Bro K Dube; **Legal Adv:** Bro S Pule