

Free State Baptist Association Report 2021

Greetings in the mighty name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

The Free State province like many of our provinces was also devastated by the effects of COVID19 and of the consequent lockdown regulations. Many people lost their loved ones and their jobs. The momentum regarding the fellowship among Christians on Sunday is negatively affected.

Pastor's movements:

1. During 2020 Pastor Samuel Latyeba departed to be with the Lord.
2. It is again in 2020 when Pastor John Ntseoane's wife also departed to be with the Lord.
3. Last month, August 2021, Pastor Michael Leripa resigned from Bochabela Baptist church.

Local Church status.

1. All our churches in Qwaqwa (the eastern region of the Free State), including the one in Intabazwe township (Harrismith), are currently led by lay preachers and church leaders. This is a total of six churches.
2. In addition to the above-mentioned churches, Free State has got another six churches (with buildings) without pastors.
3. Trevor Eayrs and his team have been very helpful towards the Qwaqwa churches by providing with food parcels and clothes. This took place on several occasions.

Pastors and pastor's wives.

1. Pastor Hans Zinyoka of Harmony Baptist lost his mother, and she will be buried on Saturday the 11th of September 2021.
2. After the passing on of her husband, Mrs Mpho Latyeba relocated near her workplace in Clocolan

Regional activities.

The Free State churches managed to have their Annual general meeting during February 2021 and was hosted by Bedelia Baptist Church.

Hope you find in order, Blessings!

Yours in His Service

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