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1. Introduction

The Lord's Answer

"Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets, so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation await an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it. It will certainly come and will not delay." (Habakkuk, 2:1-3)

Reflecting on the prophetic leadership character of Habakkuk, J C Maxwell states that, leaders must learn to ask questions, listen, and wait on the Lord to provide answer before they can act on His Word. After hearing the answer from the Lord, they must write down the vision clearly for the readers or hearers to run with it.

Prophet Habakkuk wrestled with God to provide answers on why he has allowed wickedness and immorality to reign amongst the people of Judah. After praying and waiting, the Lord provided answers and casted a vision to rectify the situation. J.C Maxwell states that,

"A vision is a blueprint for building a bridge to the future. Leaders and vision go together like fire and heat... Through Habakkuk, God furnishes some instruction on the vision for all of us. He states that a divine vision:

- Should be written down;
- Should be distributed to people;
- Should be acted on;
- Is for a selected time in the future;
- Motivates us towards the goal;
- Should not be discarded, and
- Will not fail. (J.C Maxwell, 2007, 1134-35)

Through dreams and visions God has over time spoken and is still speaking, locally and globally to the nations and to his people through prophets about the great coming spiritual fire revival from the Southern Tip of Africa. Whilst many have prophesied, prayed, spoken, researched and written about the coming spiritual revival for different objectives, Godly Governance Network's interest and

focus is to decode the Southern Tip of Africa revelation and prepare the nation Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation. President: Sipho Mengezeleli and the church to embrace it, and play its expected role. We believe that, whilst God is sovereign in electing and determining who, how and when the vision will manifest in the physical, he still expects His church and humanity in general to respond to the call. Through this prophesy, He has defined the vision and the destiny for South Africa and the world. Our responsibility is to pray and ask Him to provide guidance and instructions on the implementation strategy for the nation and the church.

2. About the Strategy

This document therefore, seeks to embrace and act on the prophesy as God-given divine vision, and to provide a spiritual and institutional governance approach and strategy that will enable local churches from Mosselbay, Cape Agulhas, Cape Town, and the broader community of stakeholders in the Southern Tip of Africa, to reposition themselves, in order to effectively engage with matters that concern the nation and communities which they are serving.

It is a prophetic governance and moral regeneration national strategy to win communities and take cities for God by locating, tracing and demonstrating the power of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God and the capacity of the church in transforming the world.

Whilst the strategy is focussed in Mosselbay and Cape Agulhas municipalities as pilot projects for relaunching the godly governance and moral renewal national agenda, the strategy is applicable and should be replicated to all municipalities across the province and the nation.

Through this strategy, the church will become more relevant to its community and able to carry its mandate to disciple communities and nations by getting involved in defining and advocating for good governance practices and moral regeneration transformation programmes within the holistic context of the envisaged **SOUTHERN TIP OF AFRICA FIRE PROPHESY**.

Inspired by the partly fulfilled eschatological prophetic vision and declaration of Prophet Isaiah which states that,

"The government shall be upon His shoulders... Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end... (Isaiah, 9:6-7) and the Great

Commission assignment, in which the resurrected King of kings, and our Lord, Jesus Christ declares that, "... All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I commanded you. And surely I am with you always to the very end of this age."(Matthew, 28:18-20)

Godly Governance Network believes that the time for the church to take cities and win nations to the knowledge and authority of God's governmental system is now. The call for the church to systematically engage with matters of governance, development and policy formulation can no longer be delegated to political parties and secular organisations.

In the light of the growing seductive, immoral culture of corruption, characterised by what is generally known as capture of governance and economic systems of our government and municipalities by corrupt politicians, business and families, whose backgrounds and connections are traceable from the global secret societies and networks of the New Age Movement, the Church must arise and call for righteousness and justice.

This strategy therefore, must provide direction and opportunity for those who have graduated and have escaped the strongholds of religion and the trappings of manipulative self- serving party politics, and are now seeking the kingdom of God as an alternative to the governance framework of man.

It is meant for those leaders who are willing and ready to take the battle beyond the captured church pulpits and state institutions and ready to invade the corrupted systems and institutions of governance in our country and the world.

3. The Word

"I asked them about the exiles who have returned from captivity and about how things were doing in the province. They said,

Some of the people who return from exile are still alive. They are back in the land of Judah **(Western Cape Province).** But they are having hard time. People are making fun of them. The wall of Jerusalem **(Mosselbay)** is broken down. Its gates have been burnt with fire.... The city where my ancestors are buried has been destroyed, and fire has burnt up its gates...

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(Governor Nehemiah 1:1-2)

Who was Nehemiah?

The bible describe Nehemiah as a contemporary of Ezra, who together with Zerubbabel, constitute a company of remnants which led the second exodus of Israelites from Babylon to the promised land in order to rebuild the broken walls of Jerusalem. As Ezra was responsible for the spiritual, moral and social revival of the people of Israel, Nehemiah's focus was on rebuilding the physical infrastructure and the governance framework of the people of Israel.

As a leader and governor, Nehemiah was mainly concerned with the political and physical gates of the nation, whilst Ezra was concerned with the spiritual gates of the nation. Nehemiah had unique characteristics, God given skills and knowledge which made him a winning strategic and transformational leader in times of distress and disillusionment in Israel. The secret for his strength was in his commitment to prayer before he engages with any matter. John C Maxwell declares that,

"Nehemiah understood the law of navigation and had ability to identify the problem, spent time in prayer, approached key influencers, conducts an assessment of the situation, meets with people and cast the vision, encourages people and receives buy-in from them, organises and get people working." (J.C. Maxwell, 2007:595)

The state of the nation and spirituality in Judah/ Israel then was not different from the current state of governance, morality and the church in South Africa today. The successful implementation of this plan and strategy will require a church that has a passion for a city-wide territorial church with no denominational and religious divide, and a leadership that understands the governance mandate of the church in its own right as God's institution of governance.

Such leadership must be inspired by the works of Nehemiah and Ezra Company, who had the burden of healing and restoring their nation. In this season, where man's ideas about the best system of governance have run out, the only alternative for nations of the world is to revisit God's model of governance, apply His principles, values and moral standards as yard stick to measure good governance and moral authority.

Thus, the responsibility to ignite the much anticipated spiritual revival and moral renewal from the Southern Tip of Africa will require a reconstructed united city-wide church leadership and morally conscious community leaders and governors from Mosselbay and Cape Agulhas municipality. Such remnant of leadership both from a spiritual and governance persuasion will have to trace and understand the historic foundations that define the present day Mosselbay and Cape Agulhas communities its governance institutions and systems.

4. Understanding our history and transforming our foundations

It is important that those who want to see change must take action to pursue change and acknowledge that sites of consciousness which are: memory, dialogue and action require change agents to connect the past struggles with today's movements for human rights and justice. History holds lessons for us to address today's challenges which have ensnared the 21st century man.

Thus, to deal with issues of truth, justice and reconciliation at the coalition level will require all community stakeholders to understand and positively appreciate our past in order to deal with the present and the future.

In his book, Transforming Your World, John Mulinde had this to say,

"When we are talking about transformation, we are not talking about a nation being perfect or the absence of every evil and where everyone is saved. We are talking about breaking the yokes that bind our community and bring it to high place of God's glory. ... Transformation is a situation looked at in comparison with what was in the past, what is now and also what it should be. That means, for us to talk meaningfully about transformation, we need to be knowledgeable about the land." (J. Mulinde, 2005.ix)

It is therefore important for us as church and community leaders, governors and democrats from various formations within the greater Southern Tip of Africa to understand that in order to bring about change and transform our communities and municipality we need to know:

- 1. Where our communities come from?
- 2. Where our communities are now?
- 3. Where our community will be tomorrow?
- 4. What needs to change, what things need to go, and what needs to come in order to be transformed?

In order to effectively engage with individual, family, community, church and government transformation, one needs to research and have correct understanding of our community's foundations and its governing authorities, as well as their possible impact in determining the destiny of our nation and the behavioural patterns of its people.

In his book, 'Waging the Apostolic Warfare' Dr. Basil O lbe states that,

"the word '**Foundation**' represents origins. It is the base on which a structure stands. Foundations speak about the beginning of existence. This is to say, there is nothing that exist which does not have foundation or the point of its beginning, except the eternal God. The bible provides a very important narrative on the importance of both spiritual and intellectual foundations and their role and impact in transforming humanity or nations." (B.O. Ibe 2004:94)

Giving an example of Abraham's calling to build a new nation, he further states that, Abraham was appointed by God to represent the **foundations** of a new nation-Israel, and consequently the new humanity in Christ, and because God understands that foundations cannot be renovated, and therefore, in order to establish new foundations for a new nation, God made a great demand on Abraham and said,

"Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house to a land that I will show you..... (Gen 12:1-4) The bible further states that, "By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place which he would receive inheritance...By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs of the same promise with him. For he waited for the city which has **foundations** whose builder and maker is God." (Heb11: 8-10)

God knew that the strongholds from the foundations of Abraham's family, community, and nation will hold him, unless he is physical and spiritually uprooted and planted on new grounds (foundations) to learn God's way and give birth to a new generation that will fear, honour God and obey His laws.

It is in the light of the above, that our strategy and programmes must be based on concrete situational analysis, and spiritual mapping, in order to understand the godly and ungodly foundations that define our future as the people of the South of Africa. The church in particular and the religious sector in general will have to engage into serious self-introspection, spiritual warfare and prophetic action in order to see the manifestation of that is already in the spiritual realm, which is, the urgency for total economic freedom, spiritual renewal and emancipation of all South Africans.

Crafters of any intervention strategy for community transformation must take into consideration the importance of conducting spiritual mapping and socio-economic situational analysis of each territory and its people in order to identify accurate information that must inform their strategic objectives and goals.

On the one hand, it is the primary responsibility of the local church leadership with spiritual authority and ability to conduct spiritual mapping and decode God's prophetic word over the territory and its people.

Whilst on the other hand, it is the responsibility of local community leaders and transformational managers with governance and policy making mandate, as well as the capacity, to conduct socio-economic analysis of the territory, in order to inform transformation and development processes and strategy.

As such, many authors and researchers who conducted some investigative study on the history of Mosselbay were able to arrive at some form of conclusion and made profound claims that, the foundations of Mosselbay community carry the essence of the modern history and nature of South Africa's socio-economic and spiritual setup.

Thus, Mosselbay is also perceived as critical part of the Southern tip of Africa from which the much anticipated spiritual revival, reconciliation and economic restoration for South Africa and Africa should take place. It is therefore, important that any national initiative for spiritual revival, socioeconomic restoration, moral renewal, good governance and nation building must take into consideration the **foundations and history** of this small town, where the first encounter and interaction between the indigenous African communities and European white communities, mainly, the Khoi-San and the Portuguese and later Dutch Europeans took place.

5. The Historic Foundations of Mosselbay.

The history and foundations of Mosselbay are without doubt presenting this small town as a strategic and key international point which requires serious spiritual and physical investigation, in order to launch an effective spiritual and moral renewal agenda that will set our nation towards genuine reconciliation and economic restoration program.

Unpacking the historic foundations and the importance of this small town, Siegfried Stander and Sue van Waart, made very strong statements about its foundations and said,

"Mosselbay is a place where modern human behaviour emerged more than 165 000 years ago. It is a point where Southern Africans met European explorers more than 500 years ago- **A meeting that is even today celebrated at Dias Museum Complex.**

Tracing its historic evolution and development as a regional farming and tourism town, he further argued that, Mosselbay, which is located at what is internationally known and recognised as the Southern tip of Africa was first encountered by Europeans on 3rd February 1488. The Portuguese imperialist enterprise ship led by Bartholomeus Diaz discovered the town and then named it **Bahia Aguado de Sao Bras**, when they shipped in, to get water from a fountain at what was also known as Munro Bay. Siegfried Stander and Van Waart states that,

"Associated with the early European explorers, Bartholomew Dias missed the Cape due to storm and landed at Munros Bay, 165 years before the first settlement in Cape Town."

Presenting the historic and contextual narrative of the Khoi people's encounter with the Portuguese explorers in 1488, prophetess, Retha Venter explained that,

"After they passed Cape Point, they reached a point near today's Mosselbay and called it Agra dos Vaqueros because of the many cows they saw being herded on the land. It is recorded that with the arrival of Dias and his men, the herders fled inland with their cattle.

They refused to trade with Diaz and when Diaz took water from their watering place they defended it by throwing stones from the high ground behind the water source, which was at the edge of the sea. In response to this Dias fired a crossbow, killing one of the Khoi men."

Alluding to what she called a clash of two cultures and tradition as source of conflict, Venter argued that,

"It was the Khoi tradition that certain water sources belonged to certain tribes, and no one else was permitted to use it without permission. This lack of understanding of one another's culture led to this unfortunate incident (the first colonial murder) and set the scene for many more misunderstandings which became the foundation for bitter roots between the first inhabitants of the Cape and the Europeans.

The Khoi people regarded the Portuguese as barbarians because they did not have manners to ask permission, and the Portuguese regarded Khoi as savages because they were completely naked but for some had skin cover......They were also deemed ignorant because they would trade a cow for two knives.

In the Khoi culture it was not deemed thievery to take an item for use because the African herdsmen held their possession in common and whatever was needed could be used. The concept of private property possession was alien to the Khoi. Although different clans controlled different areas, water sources and own livestock, there was no such concept as personal private ownership of land.

The land was held in common as everyone understood the importance of the animal roving around constantly for adequate grazing and water. The concept applied to land and resources created further misunderstanding between Europeans and the Khoi." (R. Venter, 2009, 101)

According to her perspective and the perception of many African and socalled Coloured communities in Mosselbay, this historic encounter is still considered a **clash of cultures and display of white supremacy** as opposed to the imposed and dominant narrative that is currently celebrated as a **harmonious meeting of cultures and heritage**.

Siegfried Stander and Sue van Waart further argue that, the landing of Diaz and the founding of Mosselbay town was a defining event in the birth of modern day South Africa. They conclude their analysis by saying, the history of Mosselbay is a microcosm of the history of South Africa, thus making the region a prime candidate for renewal and radical transformation.

When dealing with the history, foundations and the current state of Mosselbay in terms of governance, development and transformation, agents of change, (especially the church) who are pursuing a godly governance and transformation agenda for the Greater Mosselbay community and South Africa in general, must take into consideration the notion of the Great *Commission* mandate and assignment given to the church for redeeming the nations of the World.

That means a holistic and positive narrative of this global encounter has to be investigated and interpreted in accordance with the commandment of Jesus Christ given to the first disciples and later the fivefold ministry church. The opening of trade route and the subsequent landing of various Missionary Enterprise ships to preach the gospel for the rediscovery of the Kingdom of *Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation.*

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God the ends of the earth, or to distant unknown lands and peoples was indeed a positive move, happening in a God's given time for the fulfilment of His redemption plan for humanity.

However, the immediate challenge and task confronting today's church is to investigate the impact of the message and acts carried by the occupants of the imperialist and missionary enterprise ships that landed on the shores of Southern Tip of Africa. The church and not political parties and leaders must lead the nation in dealing with the ungodly historic foundations of Mosselbay within the current context and the move of God's people to promote radical transformation and nation building strategies and agenda.

When reviewing and trying to understand this great encounter between the Khoisan and those who can sometimes be correctly defined as European colonial exploiters and the missionaries, (who were teachers, and preachers of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God and His Christ), one must analyse, decode and provide direction on how the nation should perceive the current and dominant historical narrative which portrays and interprets the encounter as a harmonious meeting of cultures which must be blindly celebrated.

Both local and national communities need to determine whether, it is spiritually, morally and intellectually correct to consider, and believe that, indeed the Diaz ship which landed at Mosselbay in 1488 was in all truth carrying the Great Commission mandate and that the event can therefore be holistically celebrated as part of God's redemption plan to set the captives free in South Africa and the Africa continent.

Church leaders and governors who are sitting at the spiritual and governance gates of Mosselbay Municipality, Western Cape province and the nation must tell us whether the foundations that were laid by the owners and occupants of the Diaz ship were indeed intended to bring about righteousness, justice and prosperity for all or to usher in a governance and economic system that will ensure permanent misery to the indigenous communities of Mosselbay and the entire nation.

The Church of Jesus Christ must tell the nation, if the spiritual foundations and altars that were erected, and dedicated what European explorers considered as virgin land originate from the mandate of proclaiming and rediscovering the Kingdom of God or from another gospel and kingdom. For the Church to provide direction and point leadership on these matters of spiritual and governance importance they must unpack this historic encounter, and uproot the ungodly foundations that were laid through national prayer and repentance, and for the benefit of the Mosselbay community and entire the nation.

5. Decoding the Foundations and Altars of Mosselbay

In order transform and unite the nation the church must not only investigate and define the historic foundations and altars of Mosselbay, but must also interpret them in terms of their impact to the existing patterns of culture, economic and governance systems commonly held and practiced by the indigenous communities in Southern Tip of Africa.

These colonial foundations and foreign cultures continue to define the nature and the character of our current governance, moral and spiritual practices, and to threaten our new democratic order.

Issues of national identity, racism, inequality, materialism, poverty, unemployment, State Capture, and the nationalisation and institutionalisation of individual sins through ungodly legislative and policy framework can be effectively dealt with, only when we as the nation are prepared to uncompromisingly speak the truth about our past and together chart a new vision and nation building programme that is based on our collective recognition and understanding of WHO WE ARE. We need to quickly arrive at a common point that begins say, before we are South Africans, we are the children and the citizen of the Kingdom of God and that our existence and purpose in life is derived from His original plan for humanity. That is the only identity and truth which is capable of setting a proper framework to settle all disputes, and serves as a glue for all humanity, individually and collectively as different nationalities. That truth has to be told and acknowledged in order to set free all captives, both the oppressed and the oppressor from the global and complex evil system characterised by deception and wickedness. The time for the nation to seriously revisit, debate and find alternative solutions and a unifying narrative on the current historical foundations in Mosselbay and elsewhere is now. As such, we hereby submit below, a categorised summary of Mosselbay foundations and altars in order to generate a genuine debate and interpretation of what they mean for South Africa as a whole. This history and foundations tell us that:



The symbol and altar of colonial humanist religion

- Mosselbay, is a place where the first racial conflict and murder between Europeans and Africans originated over access to its primary resources (water, land, food) - Foundations of racial and economic conflict.
- Mosselbay is the first place where a radical colonial strategy to take ownership of occupied territories, land, natural resources and its people, was systematically implemented through erection of possession stones, renaming of territories, streets, rivers, mountains, etc.-Foundations of colonial heritage, culture and asserting their inheritance claims over land and resources.

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- It is a place where the first crooked commercial trade relations, known as barter system took place. A relationship that is defined by the first black Ox which was bartered for 3 bracelets – Foundations of exploitative trade relations and systematic dispossession.
- 4. A place where Christian faith was first proclaimed in South Africa. It is a land upon which the first symbol of the Christian faith, 'The Cross' was erected and dedicated to a human Catholic saint, St. Blaise, and a place where the first Christian altar for prayer, intercession, and worship, the Chapel, was built in South Africa- Foundations of global humanist religion and spiritual deception.
- A place where global foreign cultures met, clashed and suppressed the indigenous cultures and its people in South Africa - Foundations of foreign New Age seductive culture.
- 6. A place where the first religious and racist church, the Dutch Reformed Church was consecrated on the 1st June 1845- Foundations of institutionalised religion and racism in the church.
- Mosselbay, as a colonial governing authority received its official status as a military post in 1781- Foundations of colonial conquest and symbol of power.
- 8. A place where the first land transaction deals were made through several grants of loan land to settlers as they systematically moved inland- Foundations of legalised and systematic process of Land dispossession and exploitation.
- 9. A place where the first colonial structured authority, the Mayor, then called Chair of the Board of Commissioners Mr Josia Benjamin Bland was enthroned and after whom one of the city's street was named-Foundations of foreign governance framework and authority.
- 10. A place where the first Town Clerk, Mr Joseph Vincent was appointed Colonial administrative and governance foundations.

- 11. A place where the first Newspaper, the Mosselbay Advertiser was produced on the 4th January 1871 and where the first post office was piloted – Foundations of colonial media and communication strategy.
- 12. It is a place and a global point where academic research and spiritual claims about the origins and survival of the modern human world population is contested. Mosselbay is at the centre of the current global controversy on God, creation, and the history of mankind Foundations of global atheist and evolution theory agenda to contest the existence of God and His creation power.

6. The Southern Tip of Africa Revival Prophesy

In his well-researched book 'Southern Tip of Africa Fire Prophesy' Andre' Baard, opened his introduction and said,

"Since I was born again in 1992 and joined the local church in Somerset West, I have known of the legendary prophesy describing a revival fire that will start at the Southern Tip of Africa. Is there any other prophesy that is known and accepted more widely than the one starting at the Southern Tip of Africa.? It is undoubtable a unique prophetic phenomenon."

He further states that because of many questions he had around the authenticity of the fire prophesy, he decided to conduct an in-depth investigation about:

"Who spoke it first? When and where was it first spoken? What is the fire? Where is the Southern tip of Africa? Has it already been fulfilled? Is the promise conditional or unconditional? What are conditions the Lord attached for its fulfilment? What must we do to obey the voice of the Lord? Have we as the church treated this perennial and widely accepted prophesy with contempt?

He then concluded by arguing that, what is amazing about the research findings is that Christians from all over, Reverends, Doctors, Prophets, Pastors, Ministers, Preachers, CEOs, and businessmen, are saying the same thing. And Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation.

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they come from Asia, Europe, the USA, and all over Africa. That is an awful lot of different people, from different places over an awful long time saying the same specific thing.

"All the words share specific details, have common and unique points of this perennial prophesy for the church in Cape Town, which are:

- 1. The fire will originate from the Southern Tip of Africa
- 2. The fire will spread north through Africa
- 3. The fire will spread from Africa into the rest of the world." (A Baard, 2015:1-2)

It is therefore out of these prophetic declarations and findings that we must understand the need and urgency for uprooting the historic ungodly and immoral foundations of Mosselbay. The church must locate, decode these foundations within the context of the spiritual revival prophesy that many local nationals and international prophets have declared about the Southern Tip of Africa.

Observing the historical narrative given above, it could be factual true that Mosselbay's importance and its current state of governance and transformation, represents a case for serious review and repentance before any meaningful economic, spiritual and moral renewal could take place in the nation. Indeed, it represents a regional, provincial, national and global strategic place where serious transformation and spiritual revival must be initiated.

Coming into Mosselbay, and to the greater Southern tip of Africa region now, one will discover that every average Christian person and leader you meet tells you about the coming spiritual revival that will spring from Mosselbay and move inland to all regions, provinces of South Africa and Africa. Many local and national prophets have been pointing, praying and hoping for the revival to be stirred by the Spirit of God at time predetermined by Him. Such expectations are not far- fetched when one considers the eschatological Cape to Cairo prophecy and the *Back to God* movement as declared and pioneered by the late, Rev. Nicholus Bengu, and other subsequent outbreaks of spiritual revivals around the Western Cape province.

From a Godly Governance and prophetic perspective, it is believed and envisaged that, as it is in the spiritual realm, so shall it be in the natural (physical). Meaning, the much anticipated revival must first manifest spiritually before it manifest physically, in terms of social and economic restoration and the integration of all communities in the *South Gate* and across the nation.

The envisaged national restoration and renewal agenda can only find its true meaning and manifestation when understood within the context of the current New Testament dispensation and principles and within the context of God's redemption plan for South Africa and the African continent. It is our belief that God has never been silent or neutral in the history and events of man.

Everything that is happening takes place within the governance framework he has declared for a specific time and purpose linked to His plan to redeem nations of all evil. The role of local church leaders in particular and religious leaders in general as custodians of morals and godly values must therefore, be at the centre of a civil society driven moral renewal agenda and movement.

South Africa's Moral Regeneration or RDP of the Soul according to the former President, Nelson Mandela is a matter of heart and mind, and as such no fallen man can be the champion of moral renewal except the **Holy Spirit** (the Spirit of God in man). History has proved that whilst many ANC leaders have tried to place former President, Nelson Mandel as the champion of moral renewal, he himself could only point at it, for he was himself a fallen man who has in many times confessed not to be a prophet or a saint. Hence it was even worse and disastrous to place the former Deputy President Jacob Zuma as the champion of Moral Regeneration.

When President Mandela introduced the concept and the vision, calling the nation to work towards reconciliation, spiritual and moral renewal, could have been *Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation. President: Sipho Mengezeleli* inspired by visible material conditions on the ground rather or the Holy Spirit to provide point leadership and direction as an elder who had revelation of the times and seasons ahead of us. In so doing, he was knowingly or unknowingly able to align South Africa's incomplete or rather pseudo freedom to the ultimate redemption plan and Gods governmental framework for this season and epoch of our historical journey with Him.

In terms of God's governmental framework, and redemption plan, humanity is bound to fall and submit to the New Testament covenant governance principles and mandate as articulated by the scriptures. This mandate and godly governance framework is based on the inevitable literal and final establishment of the kingdom of God on Earth and the ultimate reign of Christ as the King of kings over nations. It is guided and set upon the following divine and prophetic pillars:

- a) Jesus is the only King of kings and the Lord of Lords who has been given all power and authority both in heaven and earth.
- b) The Unity of the Council of Heaven will impact the governments of man towards Government of National Unity in order to usher in the literal establishment of God's government on Earth (Millennium Kingdom of God)
- c) Reconciliation- Humanity will reconcile with God and with each other;
- d) Restoration- spiritual revival and true repentance will trigger social and economic restoration;
- e) Renewal there will be both spiritual and moral renewal in the universe, not through the works of man but through the direct teachings and works of the Holy Spirit;
- f) The active role of the Holy Spirit- to teach the Word of God and direct humanity towards God's government and law;
- g) The Blood of Jesus Christ- to guarantee victory over all forms of evil and wickedness.

The above divine and prophetic pillars provide both the physical and the spiritual context upon which South Africa's democracy was birthed, and established. The governance principles given to the nation by the founding fathers of the new democratic South Africa, which are: Reconciliation, Moral Regeneration, Restoration and Government of National Unity found their spiritual and holistic basis and interpretation from the new and final covenant, which defines the current New

Testament dispensation in terms of God's time and governance framework for humanity.

However, what the fathers of the new constitutional democratic order failed to point out, or what was partly hidden to them was again the critical role of the church, and the centrality of God's laws, biblical principles and moral standards in building a new nation and institutionalising godly principles and values to the governance systems of Our country.

Instead, they succumbed and bow down to the dictates of the global imperialist New Age World Order and its satanic governing principles and value system, living it to the next generational leadership to complete the assignment.

Hence, it is now critical that church leaders as watchmen over communities should seat at the spiritual and moral gates of all municipalities in partnership with public political office bearers, traditional leaders and councillors) who are seated on the governance and developmental gates of our municipal councils.

The foundations of Mosselbay in particular, have much to do with the current decaying moral and social standards that are predominantly and particularly affecting African and Khoisan communities in the Southern Tip of Africa and across the nation, whilst white communities continue to resemble heaven-like kingdom communities in all respect.

This situation calls upon both the church and community leaders to partner with the governing municipal council in order to craft an intervention strategy that unifies and transform all communities regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, wealth in the South Gate of Africa.

At a provincial and national level it is time to also engage with the executive, judicial and legislative arms of government for the official annual declaration of 3rd February as a day of repentance and prayer for spiritual revival and moral renewal, economic restoration and government of national unity.

The 3rd of February, which in all respect is annually celebrated to display white prosperity, supremacy and conquest of the African people under the banner of Bartholomew Diaz should be recognised as the day of national, continental and international importance, in that it marks the first historic encounter between the European white communities and the indigenous African communities at the *Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation. President: Sipho Mengezeleli* Southern Tip of Africa. It represents a date and a point where new and foreign foundations, altars and seductive immoral culture were laid for the first time in the African soil. It is a place where cultures met, and clashed.

7. Reconstructing and Restructuring the Church Movement

Because these foundations cannot be renovated, they have to be plucked out from their spiritual and physical base through a structured and strategic moral renewal, governance and radical economic transformation programme, instead of being celebrated.

For that to happen, the first critical step to be taken is to pray for the reconstruction of the Christian Church and rediscover the true message of the Gospel Christ concerning the institution of the Kingdom of God on earth. The role and the church and its true kingdom message must be organisationally and conceptually defined away from religion and away from secular political ideologies and relationships.

Our colonial past in particular, and the history of mankind in general continues to remind us that, in most cases, where there was an unholy alliance between the European imperialist and missionaries, or collusion between the Pharisees and the political authorities during the ministry time of Jesus Christ on earth, violence, war and death were inevitable.

Alluding to the dangers and brutality of religion when it collaborates with politics, Bruxy Cavey, in his book '**The End of Religion'** concludes that, organised societal forces of darkness led to the killing of Jesus Christ. He argues that,

"The most striking, resented, and dangerous of Jesus's activities was his opposition to religion as that was understood in his time. This is what led his death. Religion killed him... Or I might add religion partnered with politics. History shows that when religious and political establishments come together for a cause it often involves violence, war and death...Still we must not forget the fact that Jesus saw his own death on a Roman cross as the centre of his mission." (B. Cavey, 2007:152)

Thus, in order to subvert the entrenched governance systems, institutions, and symbols of the current humanist religion, the seductive immoral culture of the New Age World Order and the legacy of apartheid colonialism as its precursor, a united **prophetic and apostolic front** of the broader church movement has to be established. The church must develop innovative strategies and forms of organising *Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation. President: Sipho Mengezeleli* and structuring the church movement in order to be able to confront and transform the 21st century moral and governance challenges.

It must promote the establishment of territorial church forums and community advisory institutions that are able to provide meaningful support and assistance to communities. It must implement advocacy campaigns and programmes that can draw thousands of supporters and grow popularity similar to that which made the Pharisees and Roman authorities to be sceptical of Jesus' power and influence. It must develop and implement strategic national prayer and deliverance programmes for spiritual revival and moral renewal.

7.1 National Governance and Moral Renewal Strategy

In order to effectively advance its strategy to pioneer and promote godly governance and community transformation agenda at local government level, Godly Governance Network has established a **National Governance and Moral Renewal Advisory Council** to provide prophetic strategic advice and institutionalised support to communities, municipalities and government.



As a prophetic voice, with a leadership drawn from the lineage of God's prophetic house and whose mandate has fallen upon the church, our mission is to strategically locate and position elders and leaders, to sit as watchmen over both the spiritual and governance gates of our nation to perform the following functions:

- 1. To be God's contact point
- 2. To be God's earthly witnesses
- 3. To provide leadership and lead community intersession over serious matters affecting the city, the province and the nation.
- 4. To be a rallying point in times of crisis
- 5. To be king makers for those who are called to sit in on the mountain of government.

6. To keep spiritual surveillance and make spiritual legislation over the territory. Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation. President: Sipho Mengezeleli 7. To lay the foundations for godly unity between all churches, faiths and with the governing municipal councils across the nation.

As a pre-millennial kingdom movement, the New Testament Christian Church must restructure its organisational arrangement and establish governance and programmatic institutions aligned to the modern local government's governance and public participation policy framework and agenda. In that way it will be able to respond to critical governance, development, social and spiritual issues such as:

- Why rural and urban communities are not impacted by the spiritual, moral regeneration and ethical conduct that elders of the church and community leaders claim to be preaching and promoting?
- 2. Why development initiatives and settlements of our communities remain disintegrated, despite the much publicized integration approaches to development planning.
- 3. Why is corruption the most frequently presented picture in the administration and governance of our municipalities and government?
- 4. Why is government not achieving reasonable level of success in her much publicized campaign against corruption?
- 5. Why are armed robbery, ritual killings, prostitution, disorderliness, occultism, witchcraft, violence against women and children, increasing rate in HIV and AIDS, sexual immorality, murder, drugs and substance abuse, and general moral degeneration is growing at an alarming rate in our cities?
- 6. Why poverty levels and inequalities between rich and poor continue to rise and widened in our municipalities
- Why there is inadequate, lack, deteriorating levels of service delivery despite the much publicized service delivery and budget implementation plans in our municipalities.
- 8. Why the problem of bad leadership, political and governance instability is still an unresolved and recurring crisis in our municipalities, and state enterprises.
- 9. Why has the local church not be successful to carry its mandate to be the salt and light over the communities they serve?

Whilst it is primary the role of governors and managers to come up with good governance policies and development plans, it remains the responsibility of *Godly Governance Network is a church based civic movement and prophetic voice that speaks, advise and act on matters of governance, moral renewal and transformation in the nation. President: Sipho Mengezeleli* the local church and kingdom focused community leaders to discern and capture the spiritual atmosphere hovering over the greater Mosselbay and the entire Southern Tip of Africa communities. It is the church that must make accurate prophetic declarations for spiritual and moral revival, economic growth and godly governance to manifest.

It is unfortunate that, at the moment both the local and national elders of the church and community leaders seem to fail to understand that what is in the spirit is real and its physical manifestation will require serious national and local deliverance prayers and a united prophetic local church that understand the power of the Cross and the mandate of the church to speak, advise and act on matters of national importance.

It is therefore critical to reconstruct, refocus, and enable the city-wide local church to receive and decode the spiritual and prophetic statements, provide strategic and prophetic advice to the governors (Councillors) who are occupying the seat of government in all municipal councils located within the Southern Tip of Africa region.

On the other hand, the greater Mosselbay and Southern Tip of Africa communities must also rediscover and redefine their new identity beyond and outside the man made racial, religious and ethnical divide. They must also understand and embrace their strategic and prophetic location, position and purpose in God's redemption plan for South Africa, the African Continent and the world. The church and the governing authority of Mosselbay in particular, must find and align their transformation programmes with the Spirit of the Southern Tip of Africa fire prophesy.

In responding to the revival prophesy, the church needs a well organised, resourced, transformed and prophetic church leadership that is able to think and operate above the racial, denominational, religious, and political divides and unite the haves and have nots, the oppressed and the oppressors. We need:

- A church whose vision and liberation theology for South Africa and all nations is founded on the Great Commission mandate and God's redemption plan for all humanity;
- A church that is not captured by either religion or politics;
- A church that is not limited or captured by secular political theories and ideological persuasions of either governing or opposing political parties in government;
- A church that is capable of aligning the objectives, values and principles of people's liberation struggle and locate the struggle within the context of God's redemption plan and His historic walk with mankind;
- A church that is able to go beyond its traditional religious pulpit and practically get involved in enthroning Christ and godly principles, moral standards and values within our communities and into the governance systems of our country.
- A church that is able to understand and deal with the growing global New Age seductive culture and anti- Christ foundations which are aimed at destroying godly values and faith, capture and corrupt all morally sound forms of livelihood, and institutions of governance in our nation.
- We need a prophetic church and voice capable of uncompromisingly advocate for the repeal and reversal of all New Age inspired postapartheid government legislation, policies and social transformation programmes which are derived from New Age inspired Alice Bailey's Ten Point Plan and strategy which is based on the following deceptive and socially destructive evil pillars:
- 1. Taking God and Prayer out of the education system.
- 2. Reducing Parental Authority over Children.
- 3. Destroy Christian Family Structure and its values system.
- 4. Destroy the institution of Christian Marriage and its value system.

- 5. Promote Sexual Promiscuity.
- 6. Legalise and promote homosexual relationships and practices.
- 7. Promote Sex and Legalise Abortion.
- Promote Interfaith Movement as State Religion and dilute the truth and power of the Cross and the Gospel of Jesus Christ(Christian Faith and its Values)
- 9. Use Media to promote sex and debase culture.
- 10. Make all governments to pass laws and implement programmes that promote this New Age Agenda and make churches to endorse them.

8. What Shall the Righteous Do?

South Africa has reached a boiling point where man's ideas and philosophy outside the Word of God have become meaningless and subsequently, life has also become meaningless amongst its people. The bible says, one of the wisest and richest man on earth, Solomon once said, life is vanity, meaning it has no purpose outside God.

Life becomes meaningful when leaders have a vision that is founded on God's purpose. JC Maxwell argued that if life has no meaning, leadership has no mission and that life without God is an exercise in futility. Generations come and go, all we do is to move things around.

Elaborating on how leadership and character contributes in making life meaningful or meaningless, J.C. Maxwell asked,

"How many leaders have ruined their lives and damaged the lives of others through immorality? Character has become a crucial issue today precisely because of the myriad leaders in the political, business, and religious world who have fallen morally. No doubt spiritual warfare has played a big role in the tens of thousands of leaders who failed.

They fall partly because the enemy has targeted leaders for attack. Leaders need to remember that they influence others beyond themselves; they never

fall in a vacuum. They also need to realise that replacing fallen leaders is slow and difficult process." (J.C Maxwell. 2007: 769)

The responsibility of producing character leaders whose moral standards and values reflect character and image of God as the ultimate leaders is the responsibility of the church. To wage a spiritual warfare to cast away demonic attacks on the nation's leadership is the task of intercessors who must guard the spiritual and governance gates of our nation.

Leaders cannot find genuine fulfilment without linking their lives to God's purpose for the world. Humanist and materialist approaches to make rational decisions for the nation are incomplete and flawed without the counselling of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God.

Godly Governance Network believes that, South Africa cannot experience or receive any meaningful and life changing revival or renewal without the teaching of the Word of God and the active role of the Holy Spirit. Whilst there are many external influences causing moral decay, moral regeneration is primarily a matter of heart and mind, and it is the Spirit of God that is capable of searching the heart of man. Therefore, there can be no moral renewal without spiritual revival, there can be no reconciliation and restoration without repentance; there can be no repentance without prayer.

It is therefore going to be critical for those who are entrusted with both spiritual and governance authority not to only put <u>People First</u>, but also to put <u>God at the centre</u> of His People and creation.

In order to facilitate and create a conducive governance, spiritual and social environment for South Africa's 'New Dawn' in a holistic manner as envisaged and articulated by the current President Ramaphosa's administration, Godly Governance network would like to propose and advocate for the nation to consider implementing the following minimum enabling strategic interventions:

Nationally

- Declare an annual national day of Prayer, Repentance, Revival, Reconciliation, Restoration, and Government of National Unity on the 3rd of February.
- 2. Restore the Holy Spirit verse back into South Africa's National Anthem.
- To uproot the spiritual foundations of deception by rededicating the Christian Cross erected in the South African land, (Mosselbay) by Bartholomew Diaz to the One who was lifted up to the Cross for the salvation of all humanity.
- Review and reform the electoral system to ensure that constituencies and communities are able to independently choose and vote for moral and ethical leadership with integrity and capacity.
- 5. Rename the executive seat of government, "The Union Building" to give profound meaning to the New Democratic Order and thereby declare a complete separation with the foundations and symbols of the old apartheid system and racism.
- 6. Establish a non-partisan, united prophetic and civic voice that speaks on matters of governance and moral renewal in the nation.
- Expose the national and global secret networks involved in the State Capture and aligned to the New Age Movement and its agenda in South Africa.
- 8. Review and repeal all ungodly, and immoral legislation and policies intentionally or unintentionally introduced by government to promote global New Age inspired seductive culture and corrupt behavioural patterns within the South African people.

Locally

- 1. Establish Ward-based and Municipal-wide Moral Regeneration and Godly Governance Advisory centres and forums.
- 2. Review and uproot the ungodly historic foundations of Mosselbay and build a common unifying vision for the territory and its people.

- 3. Review the current deception and propaganda narrative to embrace and celebrate Diaz Festival in Mosselbay.
- 4. Promote greater collaboration between the church and municipal councils through establishing partnership programmes on transformation and nation building.
- 5. Expose and confront the entrenchment of New Age secrete agenda and seductive culture through moral regeneration campaigns in our communities.

9. Conclusion

Our response as Godly Governance Network to the current governance, socio-economic crisis and the prevailing religio-political landscape in our country, seeks to contribute to the disjointed ideological debates and opposing national programmes of action aimed at correcting the injustices of the past and building a new nation and government of national unity.

As a prophetic governance association of church and civic organisations we embrace the prophetic statement declared by Rena Venter, which says,

"To correct government, the destinies of the first peoples of every nation must be restored to the pattern that was established by God from before the foundations of the earth were laid."

To be more precise and contextually correct, such restoration should take place from before the foundations laid by the occupants of the Imperialist Diaz Enterprise Ship that landed in Mosselbay on the 3rd of February 1488. We believe that the higher call of leadership becomes meaningful when it deals with something bigger and broader than the selfish humanistic world view and bring God into the centre of human affairs.

To advance these objective goals we present this discussion document as our entry point to broaden the scope of the current radical transformation debate and to identify critical areas of intervention, in order to find a generational lasting solution to the deep spiritual, cultural, governance and economic crisis facing our communities and the nation.

Our strategic focus is to find an appropriate niche for the church to provide point leadership and direction to the government of the day and to all stakeholders in dealing with national issues. We believe that the state of the church will always reflect the state of the nation and that if the church has no direction and is in itself showing some signs of becoming part of the problem, its role and status also needs to be reviewed and closely monitored.

As many have come to the knowledge of State capture in our country, it has also become critical to reflect on whether the church and its original mandate has also not been distorted or captured in one way or the other. Our view and entry point to all these issues is the centrality of God as an active participant in determining human events and the destiny of South Africa and its people.

As such we locate every historical, and ideological debate, as well as the theoretical conceptualisation of the form and character of our national democratic struggle to set the captives free (both the oppressed and oppressor) within the context of the Great Commission mandate of the church and God's redemption plan for South Africa, Africa and the World.

We are therefore, neither guided nor subscribing to any secular ideology or political party, but we consider the church to be God's institution of governance willing to engage, and work together with all motive forces of change for a common cause. Thus, we hereby propose a non- partisan partnership approach and programme with all role players in finding solutions for our beloved country.

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