



# HELDERBERG COLLEGE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

## NEWSLETTER

### Opening Assembly



The first assembly of the second semester was held at Anderson Hall. The Faculty of Business Dean, Luzuko Mrwebo, delivered the keynote address, aptly titled "Growing Pains." The address emphasised the importance of growing pains in the pursuit of success; sacrificing long term benefits for short term comforts and the results thereof; and the opportunity cost attached to discipline and decision making. Mr Mrwebo concluded his address by encouraging students to view the standards set for themselves as the benchmark.

The assembly concluded with the Deans' Awards of Excellence, which honoured students who excelled academically in the first semester of the 2025 academic year, across the three Faculties.



**Top left:** Faculty of Business Dean Luzuko Mrwebo delivering the keynote address.

**Left:** HCHE President, Dr Charlene Reinecke and Vice-President of Academic Administration, Dr Conrad Zigmont awarding students who demonstrated exceptional academic achievement in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the 2025 academic year.

**Below:** The Deans' List of Excellence Honourees from the Faculties of Business, Social Sciences & Education, and Theology.





## Gymnasium Renovations

HCHE proudly reopened its newly renovated gymnasium, marking a major step forward in promoting health, wellness, and an active lifestyle on campus. The renovations have been unfolding in phases, with phase 1 entailing the interior being repainted, creating a brighter and more energised space. Phase 2 entailed re-flooring the gym and the refurbishment of existing equipment, enhancing both safety and performance.

Looking ahead, phase 3 will see the replacement of older machines with brand new equipment and the renovation of the bathroom facilities. The reopening marks more than just a physical upgrade - it reflects HCHE's commitment to holistic student development, balancing academic excellence with physical well-being.





## Sports Day

The Student Services Department held an inter-house Sports Day. Students and staff alike gathered on the College fields to witness and take part in a thrilling day of friendly competition and athletic excellence. The College was divided into three spirited houses, each assigned one of the three College colours. The three houses brought vibrance and healthy rivalry to the field, with participants displaying skills, teamwork, enthusiasm and sportsmanship.





## Library Week

HCHE marked Library Week with a vibrant lineup of activities that inspired a love for reading, storytelling, and creative expression under the theme of literacy, learning and literary celebration. The week commenced with the launch assembly on Monday, with local authors sharing their personal journeys and insights on the power of storytelling and written word. Throughout the week, students and staff participated in a Readathon; a campus-wide reading challenge.

The spirit of storytelling was shared with eager Grades R-3 learners by the HCHE BEd in Foundation Phase Teaching students. On Tuesday and Thursday, the HCHE students led heart warming storytelling sessions at Helderberg Primary School, delighting learners with animated tales and meaningful engagement. One of the highlights of the week was the Poetry Slam held on Wednesday, where students took to the stage, showcasing their creativity by sharing original pieces of poetry.





## Faculty of Business Dialogue

HCHE's Faculty of Business brought together industry experts and thought leaders for a dynamic event centred on "Innovation, AI and the Future of Work." The panel unpacked the powerful intersection of technological innovation, artificial intelligence and the rapidly changing global workplace. Additionally, the panel delved into how AI is reshaping industries by enabling automation and transforming job functions.



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### Faculty of Business Dialogue

#### Innovation, AI and the Future of Work: What it means for your career

**FOCUS**  
 Discover how AI is shaping the jobs  
you'll apply for, the skills you need to  
land them and how you can stay  
ahead in the AI- powered workplace.

**SPEAKER**  
 Kuda Mingo  
Marketplace Specialist Lead  
Amazon Web Services

**MODERATOR**  
 Pitso Tsibolane  
IT Senior Lecturer  
University of Cape Town

**SPEAKER**  
 Bridgette Morris  
Manager: Innovation & Customer Insights  
City of Cape Town

**APRIL 16 | 12 PM**  
**ANDERSON HALL**  
\*Refreshments will be served

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The panel highlighted the potential of AI to augment human capabilities, whilst also addressing key challenges such as the ethical parameters of emerging technologies. A key aspect of the discussion being the importance of preparing for a future where humans and AI collaborate, with the success being dependent on adaptability, creative thinking and lifelong learning.



## Faculty of Social Sciences & Education Career Discussion

The Faculty of Social Sciences & Education (FosSE) hosted its annual Career Discussion, bringing together students and industry professionals for a panel discussion on career paths in the fields of the Social Sciences and Education, respectively. The event provided students with the opportunity to gain insights into the diverse career paths available, challenges in the academic and professional contexts, and an understanding of the skills required to thrive in these fields as well as the ability to specialise in their selected fields through further study. The interactive panel discussion encouraged students to dream big, plan ahead and align their academic journeys with their professional aspirations. The FosSE Career Discussion reaffirms the commitment of the Faculty and College to equipping students to make a meaningful impact in their chosen fields.



# FOSSE CAREER DISCUSSION

Exploring Career Pathways with Your Degree

The FosSE Committee invites all students to a dynamic dialogue exploring the diverse career paths available with a Social Science and Education degree. Learn how to apply your qualifications in creative, academic, and professional spaces.

## 30 APRIL 2025

12:00 - 13:00 PM

ANDERSON HALL  
• Refreshments will be served

### FOCUS:

- Explore postgrad opportunities
- Engage with industry professionals
- Ask questions and network

### Meet Our Speakers



**Simone Momplé**  
Wellness  
Creative & Filmmaker



**Heather Combrink**  
Educator & Academic  
Mentor



**Randi Netshifulani**  
Marketing & Communications  
Strategist

Don't miss the opportunity to meet professionals who have taken their degrees into exciting and diverse directions!





## Community Engagement: Nelson Mandela Day

In honour of Nelson Mandela Day, HCHE dedicated the 18<sup>th</sup> of July to meaningful community service as part of its annual Community Engagement Day. As a Christian institution we count service as a core and indispensable value.

In partnership with Young Adults Reaching Out (YARO) Community-based Projects in Macassar, students and staff came together to embody the spirit of Ubuntu and service. The day was filled with colour, care, and connection as we engaged in a variety of uplifting activities.



In line with this year's theme, "67 minutes, for a lifetime of service" the HCHE community demonstrated that true leadership is found in serving others. Essential donations were handed over to the founder of YARO - Beverley Adriaanse. Activities included revamping the front garden and cleaning, hand painting activities with the children, a soup service and the painting of a mural in one of the classrooms at the centre.





## Week in Spiritual Emphasis

The bi-annual Week in Spiritual Emphasis (WISE) was held from the 28<sup>th</sup> of July to the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August. With daily services held in the morning and evening, WISE is a key aspect of HCHEs commitment to nurturing spiritual growth, in line with our philosophy of education. Pr Nonfo Mothowakae spoke on the theme "Sanctified Through Jesus." Pastor Mothowakae obtained his BA in Theology from Solusi University in 2018 and has ministered for 14 years this, he states, was due to his love for the ministry.

The highlight of the Week In Spiritual Emphasis was the Agape Feast. Pr. Mothowakae spoke on Luke 23, the crucifixion of Jesus and the lessons to be learnt from the criminals crucified with the Saviour. Pr Mothowakae concluded his message by encouraging immediate attention to our individual walks with Christ. The sermon was followed by the Holy Communion service, led by the Faculty of Theology Dean, Dr Simbarashe Musvosvi, Darren Cecil and Richard Gyimah, both 4th year Theology students and elders at All Nations Campus Church.



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**WEEK IN SPIRITUAL  
EMPHASIS**

**SANCTIFIED THROUGH JESUS**

**Guest Speaker: Pr Nonfo Mothowakae**

**28 JULY -  
02 AUGUST**      **10:00 AM &  
19:00 PM DAILY**      **SID MEDIA CENTRE  
- HCHE CAMPUS**



### Pr Nonfo Mothowakae

Holds a degree in Marketing Management, and is currently reading for his MBA. His earliest memory of his love for preaching is his first sermon, at the age of 10.

Day 5 of WISE, the Agape Feast and Holy Communion Service.



# Faculty of Theology Announces New Programme: Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry

On the 7<sup>th</sup> of May, HCHE announced the launch of the new Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry. The Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry is an NQF 5 level, SAQA accredited programme. Designed to equip lay members to lead, teach, and facilitate church programmes; the Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry will enable students to clearly articulate the teachings of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Additionally, the Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry will enable students to understand biblical literature in tandem with the development of an awareness of the basic principles of biblical literature interpretation.

## Why the Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry Matters?

The Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry has been developed to train local church leaders in the following areas of church ministry:

- The development of good communication skills for the purposes of the presentation and preparation of sermons.
- An awareness of the history of the church and the relation to the church's self-understanding and mission.
- Awareness of the organisational structure of the church and how it relates to the governance of the church.
- The ability to function and relate appropriately across cross-culturally and intergenerationally.
- An understanding of the different forms of evangelism and the ability to implement them in a church setting to achieve church growth.



### HIGHER CERTIFICATE IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

STUDY FROM ANYWHERE - FULLY ONLINE

**Take your ministry further with a formal certificate designed for leaders like YOU!**

This two-year distance learning programme is built for new and experienced ministry workers. Gain practical leadership training, grow spiritually, and earn a formal qualification.

#### WHO CAN APPLY?

**CURRENT AND ASPIRING:**

- Church Elders
- Deacons
- Worship Leaders
- Youth Leaders
- Welfare Leaders
- Personal Ministries Leaders
- Community Relief Volunteers
- Bible-study Group Leaders
- Volunteer & Auxiliary positions in the local church and community

#### QUALIFICATION DETAILS

- NQF Level 5 (120 Credits)
- ACCREDITED by CHE
- SAQA ID (123610)
- 2-Years Part-time
- Distance Learning
- Provides articulation into BA Theology Degree

#### YEAR 1

- Intro to Research and Academic Writing
- The Gospels
- Biblical Studies
- Biblical Interpretation
- Biblical Preaching
- Multicultural Ministry

#### YEAR 2

- Church Governance
- SDA Church History
- Church Worship & Liturgy
- Church Growth
- Teachings of the Church
- Intergenerational Ministry
- Christian Ministry Field Work

## ENROLL NOW

Classes Start: 1 September 2025

- Willingness and aptitude to lead community activities based on the needs of the community.

Each of the modules presented will challenge students to reflect upon and apply the content of the module to their respective contexts.

Applications and registration for the first semester are still open.

### APPLY ONLINE:

 [www.hche.ac.za](http://www.hche.ac.za)

 060 564 0175



## HCHE Student Focus: Dingelihle Ngebe

HCHE celebrates Dingelihle Ngebe, a Foundation-Year Theology student, who achieved an extraordinary milestone by completing the Comrades Marathon, becoming the 4<sup>th</sup> youngest male participant to run the iconic ultra-marathon. Dingelihle's accomplishment is distinguished by the fact that he ran alongside his father, Bayethe Ngebe, who was running his 11<sup>th</sup> Comrades Marathon. Both represented the Adventist Athletics Club, demonstrating determination, endurance and the spirit of teamwork.

Completing the Comrades Marathon, which spanned a 89.98 km distance, is no small feat, and Dingelihle's achievement stands as an inspiration to his peers - proof that with discipline, resilience and passion, remarkable goals can be achieved.

Congratulations, Dingelihle, on this outstanding accomplishment!





## 2026 Applications Are Open





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**CLASS OF 2025  
SECURE YOUR SPOT FOR 2026**

Apply for your provisional acceptance today.

**Faculties:**

- ☒ Faculty of Business
- ☒ Faculty of Social Sciences & Education
- ☒ Faculty of Theology

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Helderberg College of Higher Education is now accepting applications for the 2026 First Semester intake - an opportunity to be a part of a faith-based, values driven institution. Take the next step toward your academic future <https://hche.ac.za/apply-online/>

Applications are open for the following qualifications:

☒ **Faculty of Theology**

- BA in Theology
- Higher Certificate in Christian Ministry

☒ **Faculty of Business**

- BCom in Accounting
- BBA in Management
- BCom in HR Management
- Higher Certificate in Office Management

☒ **Faculty of Social Sciences & Education**

- BA in Communication
- BA in Psychology
- BEd in Foundation Phase Teaching



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## HCHE Values Your Input



We are excited to announce that we are exploring the introduction of an online Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting degree; a flexible, accessible programme designed to equip future accountants with the skills and values needed to thrive in today's dynamic business world. Before we initiate this programme, we need to hear from you. Your feedback will enable us to ensure that this qualification meets the needs of our students, alumni, and community, while maintaining the high standards of excellence and faith-based education HCHE is known for.

**Your feedback will:**

- Guide the design and structure of the new programme, ensuring it's tailored to serve your educational, spiritual and professional goals.
- Ensure the programme is aligned with current industry and student needs.
- Shape the future of Christian Higher Education.

**Click here: [BCom in Accounting Online Survey](#) to share your feedback.**