

Moravian Sunday School Union in South Africa

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Attention:

The Provincial Board
District Councils
District Sunday Schools
Local Sunday Schools

Dear Ministers/ Parish Workers/Acolytes/Affiliated MSUSA Members /District Executive Members and Sunday school teachers

RE : CIRCULAR 1/2021

We greet you with the text of the month taken from **Philippians 4 verse 6: "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done.**

The National Executive of MSUSA, consisting of members set out in 5.1.2.1 of our Sunday school constitution, had a virtual Zoom meeting on Wednesday 16 June 2021. Many matters arising, affecting MSUSA were discussed. One that stood out most, was the difficulty we face during the COVID 19 pandemic and the effect it has in attendance of Sunday school.

1. VIRTUAL LESSONS

The NEC decided to go back to our virtual lessons, which will be sent, in our National Whatsapp group as well as our Facebook page every Sunday starting Sunday 11 July 2021, as it seems there are still a high number of our children not attending Sunday schools in our districts. We kindly request all districts to forward these videos to your respective congregations. This is to motivate our children and to ensure that they are still receiving the gospel to feed their little souls during these tough times. You may choose your own Bible verse or story; however, the recording must be a maximum of 15 minutes. Please find below, our virtual lesson roster.

Date	Month	District
11	July	Sr. Boneta Neethling
18	July	Sr. Vuyo Maqabane
25	July	Sr. Anathi Tyokolwana
01	August	Sr. Juanita Appolis
08	August	Sr. Trudy Zimri
15	August	Sr. Desiree Moris
22	August	CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL
29	August	Sr. Augustine Engel
05	September	Sr. Marjorie George
12	September	Sr. Gloria Siboyana
19	September	West Coast National Rep
26	September	CPT North National Rep
03	October	CPT South National Rep
10	October	Overberg National Rep
17	October	Algoa – Tstistsikamma National Rep

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24	October	Gauteng National Rep
31	October	Mat – Nat National Rep
07	November	Mthatha National Rep
14	November	Border National Rep
21	November	Mount Fletcher National Rep

2. VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING

With the above being said, there is a suggestion that we start Sunday school training sessions with Sunday school teachers. This would require the districts to indicate which area of training they need assistance in so that we compile a virtual training session. Kindly forward any suggestions to the national secretary or directly to our president.

3. CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL/SUSANNAH FESTIVAL

With August less than a month away we trust that everybody is busy preparing for Children's Festival that will be celebrated on Sunday 22 August 2021. We kindly appeal to all districts to join us in preparing our second virtual Childrens Festival. We will compile one video that we will upload on our Facebook and YouTube channel. Our Childrens' Festival theme for 2021 will be "**Go and tell**" (**Mark 16 verse 15**). This year, we would like to do the Susannah Kuhnel Play and involve all districts if possible. Each district will be given a short scene or song, which they will have to prepare and make a video. The video should reach the secretary no later than 01 August 2021. Our President will be in contact with all National Representatives in due course, to forward all relative information (scenes).

4. SYNOD 2021

Our synodal representative Sr. Gloria Siboyane has sent an apology excusing her to the 8th Provincial Synod which will be held from 2-9 October 2021 in Jeffreys Bay. Our Synod Substitute Sr. Marjorie George has confirmed her availability and will represent our Union.

5. Compassionate.

Condolences to teachers who lost loved ones during this very difficult time of Covid-19. May our Heavenly Father comfort you in this time of bereavement.

6. Closure

Blessings and greetings to all teachers and children as we prepare for our Children's /Susannah kuhnel festival

For more information regarding the above, feel free to contact any of our secretaries.

Your sisters in Christ



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