## Nyokong has done it again

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Rhodes chemistry professor Tebello Nyokong has done it again – she's won yet another award. Nyokong was chosen as the most influential woman in education and training by Celebrating Excellence in Organisations (CEO) magazine.

Although she has won numerous awards in recent years, Nyokong didn't believe she was qualified for this particular one. "I was pleasantly surprised when I received an email in June saying I had been shortlisted. Even then I did not think I could win."

Nyokong's research involves the use of light in the presence of certain chemicals to fight cancer, as well as the use of chemically modified

electrodes to identify trace amounts of hazardous chemicals in the environment.

Honoured by the award, Nyokong hopes it will "help me in my quest to improve education at the highest possible level in South Africa". She says it is important that the country's leaders remain dedicated to education. "If we stop concentrating on education and focus only on poverty, where are we lifting the poor?" With these words in mind, it is therefore not surprising that despite her busy schedule, she is committed to her students. Not only does she supervise many of the chemistry department's postgraduate students, but she also lecture the first years. "Training the mind is my job," Nyokong says, "and I'm passionate about it."



ANOTHER AWARD... Prof Tebello Nyokong poses proudly with her latest award. She was recently chosen as the most influential women in education and training by CEO magazine. Photo: Alinka Brutsch

At the inaugural session of 'Celebrating Science at Rhodes' in May this year, head of the Rhodes chemistry department Prof Mike Davies-Coleman said Nyokong

is a great supervisor and mentor. "It is impossible to keep her away from her students. She gets them going," he said. "Her enthusiasm is infectious."

## **Grahamstown United Women's Association Social**

THE ladies from Grahamstown churches who are involved with the annual Women's World Day of Prayer, meet at the NG Kerk on Friday 14 August at 7pm.

The programme will focus on the plight of the persecuted church worldwide, and knowledgeable speaker, Gerrit Coetzee, will share some experiences and testimonies.

Gerrit is the national director of Open Doors South Africa. The programme will conclude with snacks and fellowship. Everyone is welcome. Call Augusta for more info on 083 331 2499.

# Being Christian in other countries

When? 7pm

#### **Compassionate friends reach out**

HOSPICE Grahamstown will be hosting a meeting of bereaved parents facilitated by The Compassionate Friends. Myrtle Fleming, the national chairperson and international council member, will be there to address us and to answer questions. We would like to invite all bereaved parents and their families to attend, as well as those interested in the care and wellbeing of these families.

Myrtle's son, Andrew was based in Grahamstown while doing his National Service in 1990, before going off to attend a camp in Schmidtsdrift where he died at the wheel of a Unimog, an army ambulance. His funeral service was conducted by long-standing friend, Rev Glen Craig. Myrtle attended Grahamstown Training College as well as being a teacher at Grahamstown Primary.

Myrtle found solace for her grief in The Compassionate Friends who understood her devastating pain – all the more so because it is against the course of nature to bury a child. She is in touch with a number of families in our area and

### **CHURCH SERVICES**

ABUNDANT LIFE WORSHIP CENTRE (Johnny Burges Hall, Middle Terrace Road)

**10.30am** morning service Pastor NC Julius 079 496 4256 or 084 581 0151

APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION OF SA

(cnr Ncame and Makana Way, Ext 4, white tent next to Telkom tower) 9am Youth and Sunday School Services

10am morning service
ASSEMBLY OF GOD

(Blackbeard Street)

**10am** – erediens, 6nm aanddiens Pastoor B Brown 046 622 4963

AGS/ATMEL SHADDAI

(Johnny Burgess Hall, Middle Terrace Road)

10am Erediens

**5pm** Aanddiens Oud Rolen 073 453 9934 \* Dieken Ronnie 083 610 2926

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CATHEDRAL OF ST MICHAEL

**& ST GEORGE** (High Street) **7.30am** Holy Eucharist (APB)

9.30am: Holy Eucharist (AAPB)
Preacher: Canon Bill Domeris
5pm Choral Evening Prayer

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Preacher: The Revd Claire Nye Hunter CHRIST CHURCH (Speke Street) 8.30am Holy Eucharist and junior worship, 2nd, 4th Sundays

APB 1989, all other Sundays BCP1662

CONQUERORS COVENANT

**CHURCH** (Nombulelo Hall, Joza) Services every Sunday **10am** –

12pm

Nceba Ngeju 073 653 2655 EMMANUEL ASSEMBLY

(12 Paton Place, Vergenoeg) **9am** Sunday School, 10.30am morning service

**5.30pm** evening service Rev L Williams 046 622 4388 (H)

FRONTIERS CHURCH INTERNATIONAL

(Oatlands School Hall, African Street)

9.30am morning service

Dave Koch 084 470 2095 or

046 636 7815

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF

GOD (11 Caldecott Street)
9am Morning service and

PEACE OF CHRIST MINISTRIES
AND PRAISE (Samuel Ntlebi Hall)
9am: Kidz Church

9.30am Intercession 10am: Sunday Service

Pastor PP Pango 082 662 9422
PINKSTER PROTESTANTE KERK

(Brushwood Farm, industrial area, behind Grahamstown Prison)

9am Sondagskool 10am oggenddiens 7pm aanddiens

Shawn Warren 082 808 6136
RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF

FRIENDS (QUAKERS) 622 3382 or 622 3076

RIVER OF LIFE
(Assembly of God cnr Hill and

(Assembly of God cnr Hill and Huntley St)

8.30am MORNING ALIVE (Worship service & Kidz Church) 10.30am (Worship service &

Kidz Church) **6.30pm** (Dynamic evening service)
Pastor John & Debbie Sloane

046 622 3626
ROCK OF AGES CHRISTIAN

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Duna Library - Joza 10am: Sunday Service Past FW Arendse 072 118 9049

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH (next to Pick n Pay)

9.30am Sabbath School
(Saturday)

11am worship service

**ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH 9.30 am** Sunday service

ST BARNABAS (Alicedale)

10am Xhosa service on the 1st,

2nd and 4th Sunday of each month and the English service on the 3rd.

J Olckers 042 231 1159 or Rev Cynthia Webbstock 046 636 2090

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH (Market Street)

9am Eucharist with hymns (APB1989)

Fr Eric Kelly 046 622 4552

ST CLEMENT'S CHURCH (top end of High Street, next to

Railway Station) **9am** – Holy Eucharist

ST CYPRIAN'S (Highlands) 10am every second Sunday.

Contact R Wilmont 046 622 8841 or Rev Cynthina Webbstock 046