

INKULULEKO YESIZWE NEWS



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Inkululeko Yesizwe Association (IYA) delegation sent to RSA parliament in Western Cape. Under the leadership of Dr Prophet uZwi Lezwe Radebe, founder and chairperson of Inkululeko Yesizwe Association



Inkululeko Yesizwe patron and executive members

When COGTA invited Religious Leaders, their focus was on Christian churches. It turned up in the Parliament that even the indigenous churches presented themselves. The indigenous church leaders questioned as to why the day was earmarked for only Christianity? The Chairperson retorted by saying it is open to everybody.

It was interesting to note that most of the religious leaders supported the non-regulation of religion. There flow of this meeting included questions and answers and discussion after all the presentation.

Inkululeko Yesizwe did not participate on the discussion that went through on the 11th because we still had to

negotiate our inclusion on the Agenda for the following day. The 11th March was sorely dedicated to Christianity.

The discomfoting factor from the Chairman of COGTA announcement that the CRL report was adopted by Parliament however there was disagreement to that effect by other Parliamentarians, but she insisted on the fact that it was adopted.

This whole part of the presentation threw the spanner in the wheel. At the end of the Presentation President Sibisi and Senior Leader Thembi had a brief discussion with COGTA Chairperson who display a huge interest on IYA, she indicated that she would like IYA to share the presentation direct to her

email address as she was not attending the following day. She went as far as requesting ATM President to chat to the Secretary to include IYA in the program.



12 March 2020 IYA Presentation

IYA was given an opportunity to present to Parliament and President Sibisi started his presentation by introducing Inkululeko Yesizwe Association and making a pronounce address in terms of the founder and the Leader of IYA.

He pulled out a punch when he announced the size of IYA in terms member churches and flawed the parliament when he mentioned the number of 10,000,000 and one could hear the penny dropped. When he finished to present IYA leadership and the size of membership, he handed over the Presentation to Senior Leader Thembi took over the presentation and Senior Leader mam Thembi added more salt to hugeness and relevant of IYA by retreating the numbers of IYA and the greatness thereon and we could see their eyes popping out in disbelieve.

Leader Thembi walked them through as she described Inkululeko Yesizwe for everybody to understand who and what IYA stand for? She presented the significance of Inkululeko Yesizwe and the difference it brings into a picture, into African Indigenous Spirituality, We could not be shy from mentioning that we acknowledge our ancestors. "This was a killer statement" She also presented the role played by member churches of IYA into its community.

IYA proposed solution tabled by Senior Leader Thembi

1) All association, fraternal, federation should begin to work together irrespective of their doctrinal practices



as they all have an important role to play in cleaning up the religious community of all ills that are occurring and not forgetting that we are Africans.

2) CRL should introduce training sections for all those religious formations who are not familiar with issue of taxation.

3) She further indicated that CRL should open its doors to all church and not discriminate against any associations or church leaders.

4) CRL should not sideline Inkululeko Yesizwe Association, Mom Thembi directly addressed the Parliament indicating that the CRL continuously sideline Inkululeko Yesizwe Association even though, IYA

have written to them several times with a view to formally introduce the association. All IYA attempt were ignored.

5) Mom Thembi eventually address the CRL Chairperson directly and requested that he must open their doors for IYA.

I can confirm that IYA was presented well, we observed some respect towards the IYA representatives after the presentation. We had people approaching our desk to say well presented. We expected to be questioned but that did not happen.

PRESIDENT SIBISI HANDED OVER THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR AFRICAN INDIGENOUS AND SPIRITUAL RELIGION

After the Presentation we were approached by Member of Parliament who could not stop praising IYA and shared that, she grew up knowing Indigenous churches. (Member of Parliament in pink dress code) The MP also insisted that the CRL Commission must be fair and work with IYA.

The 2nd MP Lady (Far left on the above picture_ in black top) was very happy to hear about Credo Mutwa being one of IYA Patron and said that it would have been an honor to have Baba Credo in Parliament and share some wisdom. ATM representative also applauded IYA representatives.

In conclusion, it was said that the blanket approach for the religious sector will never work, because there are different religious sectors. It was





also said that the code of conduct for religion cannot be the same. CRL (They were under tremendous pressure by Parliamentarians) Participation of ATM President was pivotal to the deliberation in putting the CRL in their place and highlighting of how they deliberately ignored the iteration of Angus and demanded that they must open a court case against his announcement made about the fact that only Boers and Jews have covenant

with God. The response from CRL was that they could not take the matter up as they saw the public apology but Zungula insisted that they should action accordingly Academics summarized the ongoing of the two days and provided with the recommendations as if it was consolidated by the delegation and Religious Leaders.

The Religious Leader rejected the recommendations, saying they don't

know of how this academic came with this recommendation, The person chairing the meeting of the 12th was ask of who mandated him to nominate the academics in the room as they did not represent the bigger academic group in SA? It was therefore decided that members of parliament will go through the deliberation of the 2 days and present to the delegation at the time to be announced in the future.

INFORMATION

The name of the association is: **INKULULEKO YESIZWE** (hereinafter referred to as "THE ASSOCIATION").

MISSION

The mission of Inkululeko Yesizwe Association is to enable a dialogue in which it members individually/collectively embrace a common purpose to gradually change the landscape of morale leadership, while promoting universal acceptance and acknowledgement of indigenous churches, traditional healers, practices and values of Ubuntu in South Africa.

VISION

The association will position itself as the Number One hub of African knowledge in South Africa and by extension the African Continent.

THE OBJECTIVES

The general objectives and interest map of the association are:

- 5.1 To unite all the indigenous churches and traditional leaders of the Republic of South Africa;
- 5.2 To protect and promote the ideals and values of the indigenous religions and traditional practices of the members of the Association within Southern Africa;

5.3 Engage in discussions with the government of the Republic of South Africa for the recognition of the Association and its objectives;

5.4 To address issues that plague our society and obtain aid from the government of the Republic of South Africa in the resolution of these issues;

5.5 To Act as representatives of our members and the people of the Republic of South Africa to advocate for the needs of our people;

5.6 To advocate for the sustenance of the freedom of association and expression and ensure that the Association's position as indigenous churches and traditional healers including its beliefs and practices are not regulated by the state or any state organ in any form or shape.

THE ASSOCIATION'S INTEREST MAP

- 6.1 Establish the dominance of Godly values
- 6.2 Promote good morals which are a threat from relegation and legislation
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