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## AFM Family,

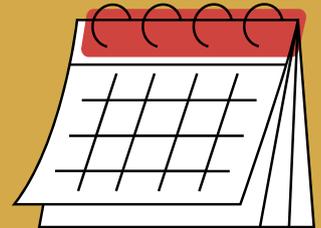
### PARENTING IN A CHANGING WORLD

Parenting in a changing world is both a gift and a challenge, especially for Christian families who want to raise their children with strong faith and healthy values. Today's parents are not only guiding their children through school, friendships, and emotions, but also through a fast-moving digital world filled with screens, social media, and constant online influence. Technology can be helpful for learning and staying connected, but too much screen time can quietly replace real family conversations and meaningful moments together.

Christian families need to be intentional about protecting family time, sharing meals without phones, finding time for prayer and church, and having open conversations about what children see and hear online. Children are growing up in a world that often promotes values very different from those taught in Scripture, so parents must lead with love, wisdom, and consistency.

This means setting healthy boundaries around devices, modelling self-control with their own screen use, and creating a home environment where faith is lived out daily, not just on Sundays. In a changing world, strong Christian parenting is less about control and more about connection, relationship, guidance, and pointing children to Christ in everyday life.

## RESOURCES / IZINSIZA



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2026 AFM of SA National  
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## UKUBA NGUMZALI EZWENI ELIGUQUGUQUKAYO

Ukuba ngumzali ezweni eliguquguqukayo kuyisipho kanti futhi kuyinselele, ikakhulukazi emindenini yamaKristu efuna ukukhulisa izingane zayo ngokholo oluqinile nemigomo yokuziphatha eletha impilo.

Namuhla abazali abaqondisi izingane zabo ngesikole, ubungane, nemizwa, kuphela, kodwa futhi nangendlela yobuchwepheshe bobuxhakaxhak bedijithali ehamba ngesivinini esikhulu esiyibona kwizikrini, izinkundla zokuxhumana, kanye nomthelela we-inthanethi olokhu uqhubeke njalo. Ubuchwepheshe bungaba lusizo ekufundeni nokuhlala sixhumene nabantu, kodwa ukuchitha isikhathi esiningi sigqolozele is-krini kungaphazamisa ukuxoxisana emindenini futhi kuthikameze nezikhathi ezibalulekile zokubandawonye.

Imindenini yamaKristu kumele izimisele ukuvikela isikhathi somndenini, ukuba ndawonye ngesikhathi sokudla ngaphandle kokuphazanyiswa izingcingo, futhi sibe nesikhathi sokuthandaza nesokuya esontweni, nokukhulumisana ngendlela ekhululekile ngalokho izingane ezikubonayo nezikuzwayo kwi-inthanethi. Izingane zikhulela ezweni elivame ukukhuthaza imigomo yokuziphatha eyehluka kakhulu kuleyo efundiswa imiBhalo, ngakho abazali kumele bahole ngothando, ngokuhlakanipha nangokuba nozinzo.

Lokhu kusho ukubeka imingcele ebalulekile mayelana nokusetshenziswa kwezinto zokuxhumana phecelezi ezibizwa ngokuthi “amadivayisi” ngolimi lwesiNgisi. Sibe yimizekelo yokuzithiba lapho sisebenzisa izikrini zethu, nangokwakha isimo sekhaya esiqhakambisa impilo yokholo nsuku zonke, hhayi ngamaSonto kuphela. Ezweni eliguquguqukayo, ukuba ngumzali oqotho ongumKristu akusho ukuba nesandla esiqinile kodwa kumayelana nendlela yokuxhumana, ubudlelwano, ukuqondisa, nokugcizelela uKristu ezimpilweni zezingane zethu nsuku zonke.

### PRESS RELEASE

#### **The AFM Theological College Officially Registered as a Private Higher Education Institution | Pretoria, Gauteng: For Immediate Release (19 February, 2026)**

The AFM Theological College proudly announces a historic milestone: the College has been officially registered as a Private Higher Education Institution by the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET). This achievement marks the culmination of years of rigorous work, sacrifice, prayer, and perseverance, positioning the AFM Theological College to offer its own fully accredited Bachelor of Theology (BTh) degree at NQF Level 7.



With this registration, the AFM Theological College (AFMTC) enters a new chapter of ministry and leadership development, now empowered to:

- 🎓 Offer a degree programme that reflects the AFM's unique DNA, doctrine, ethos, and values.
- 🎓 Shape the next generation of pastors, leaders, and ministers for South Africa and the global Church.
- 🎓 Direct theological training with academic excellence, relevance, and spiritual depth.
- 🎓 Equip leaders for effective, Holy Spirit-led ministry, both locally and internationally.

The AFMTC extends its deepest gratitude to AFM leadership, consultants, staff, and the entire AFM family for their unwavering support, faithful prayer, and encouragement throughout this journey. Special appreciation is extended to Pastor Nico Nell, Professor Willie Wessels, and Dr. Chris De Wet, whose tireless dedication and commitment were instrumental in achieving this milestone.

As the AFMTC moves forward, it does so with unshakeable faith, renewed confidence, and great anticipation, committed to training spiritually rooted leaders who will transform South Africa and impact the world.

Applications for the Bachelor of Theology (BTh) are now open.

📍 Apply online: <https://www.afmtc.ac.za/apply>

Yours in Christ!

Pastor Barend Petersen

(Deputy President of the AFM of SA & Principal of AFMTC)



📄 Note: Registered with the Department of Higher Education and Training until 31 December 2028 as a Private Higher Education Institution under the Act. Registered in accordance with section 54(6)(b) of the Act and Regulation 16. Official Registration Certificate Number: 2025/HE08/002.

## FUELLING THE FIRE 2026 - YOU ARE INVITED

The NOB Empowerment Visits are moments of spiritual impartation, alignment, and practical equipping. Everyone who attends will be: Enriched spiritually, strengthened in their ministry, and empowered to contribute to our missional calling. Join us in your province and be part of a powerful movement of unity, growth, and Spirit-led momentum in the AFM of SA.

Everyone is welcome!

A promotional banner for the 'FUELLING THE FIRE 2026' event. The banner features a dark background with a blue and red color scheme. At the top left, there is a circular logo with a cross and a flame. The text 'The AFM is Coming to Your Province!' is displayed in white. Below this, the title 'FUELLING THE FIRE' is written in large, bold, white letters, with 'THE FIRE' in a smaller font. Underneath the title, the quote 'For lack of wood the fire goes out. Proverb 26:19' is visible. A large red play button is centered on the banner. To the right, there is a portrait of a man in a suit. At the bottom, the text 'THE AFM OF SA' is written in large, bold, white letters, followed by 'is coming to your Province in 2026!' in a red box. A red button with the text 'CLICK HERE' and a hand cursor icon is located at the bottom left of the banner.



# FUELLING THE FIRE

For lack of wood the fire goes out.  
Proverbs 26:20a (ESV)

# THE AFM OF SA

is coming to your Province in

# 2026!



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SAVE THE DATES

**FEB** 27-28

**Limpopo** - Lowveld Conference Centre (Shipungu) Tzaneen Letsitele  
**Mpumalanga** - AFM Entheos (Bethal)

**APR** 17-18

**Gauteng** - Doxa Deo Raslouw (Raslouw)  
**North West** - AFM Oase (Klerksdorp)

**MAY** 8-9

**Eastern Cape** - Impetus Gemeente (Gqeberha)  
**Northern Cape** - AFM Lofoord (Upington)



Friendly Regards! | Ozithobayo!  
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