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KZN GOVERNEMENT TO STAGE HISTORICAL MULTI-PARTY PRAYER RALLY

KZN MEC for Transport Community Safety and Liaison, Willies Mchunu and the IEC, in a bid to promote political tolerance and an atmosphere conducive to free and fair elections, will be jointly leading the first multi-party prayer meeting in the province of KwaZulu-Natal.

This prayer rally will see all political parties and independent candidates, contesting local government elections, sharing a stage and jointly addressing the people of this province.

For the first time people will be also encouraged to wear their political T/shirt to demonstrate tolerance amongst people of KwaZulu-Natal.

The House of Traditional Leaders in the province, religious leaders, business community, SAPS leadership, NPA, are amongst important guests to address this historic gathering.

The prayer meeting is a decision of the multi-political party committee led by MEC Mchunu and backed by representatives of all political parties in the province.

This committee has also identified areas which are seen as "hot-spots" in the province and has intervened in those areas.

These are Estcourt/ Mbabazane precinct, uLundi/ Nongoma precinct, Mandeni, Dukuza/Maphumulo precinct and Durban hostels.

The committee later added the area of Camperdown after the killing of the election candidate and has engaged with stakeholders in that area.

In these precincts, the committee has engaged with local leadership to seek commitment towards delivering peaceful local government as the province.

The main objective of the prayer meeting is to unite the people of KwaZulu-Natal, create an environment conducive for peaceful, free and fair local government elections.

Details of the prayer rally

Date: Monday 09 May 2011
Time: 09h00
Venue: Busani High (eMatimatolo, Greytown)

Media is invited to cover this milestone gathering

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