



## community safety & liaison

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### **MEDIA INVITE**

TO : ALL MEDIA  
DATE : 15 August 2013  
ATTENTION : NEWS EDITORS/REPORTERS AND PR WIRE

### **MINISTER NATHI MTHETHWA, MEC FAITH MAZIBUKO AND MEC MCHUNU WILL VISIT THE VIOLENCE-TORN NONGOMA**

National Minister of Police, Mr Nathi Mthethwa, Gauteng MEC for Community Safety and Liaison, Faith Mazibuko and their KwaZulu-Natal counterpart, MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Willies Mchunu, will host a prayer meeting to seek a divine intervention on the ongoing conflict in eMatheni village, KwaNongoma on Friday (August 16, 2013).

The prayer meeting comes in the wake of an ongoing conflict between communities of Matshamhlophe, Sigubudu and eMacekaneni.

The conflict, which started as dispute between two families, has escalated, affecting a number of areas and has claimed several lives and has disrupted normal life and the schooling in the areas.

Some people have fled their homes and are sleeping in the bushes.

Two months ago, MEC Mchunu visited the area and addressed the parties in conflict, urging them to engage in a meaningful dialogue with a view of finding a lasting solution to their conflict.

Several police have since been deployed in the area, among others, recovering a number of illegal firearms.

However, despite these initiatives by the MEC and the Department's team deployed in the area, violence and killings have persisted and this is the concern to MEC Mchunu.

### **DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWING:**

**Date:** Friday, August 16, 2013  
**Venue:** Nqobuzulu Sports Ground: eMatheni  
**Time:** 09H00 am

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