



# SPECIAL EDITION OF QHAKAZA BETHESDA NEWS

## INTERNATIONAL LITERACY CELEBRATION 2005 - “PHANSI NGOKUSAYINA NGESITHUPHA PHANSI!!!”

At the March 2005 Abet Imbizo, the Premier S’bu Ndebele demanded that a plan be put in place to ensure that illiteracy in KwaZulu Natal be eradicated by March 2008.

“You are never too old to learn”, ‘Phansi ngokusayina ngesithupha phansi’ this was the feeling of the day for every body who attended the International Literacy Day celebration held at KwaNgwanase Sport Ground.

All the guests were singing the same song “Phambili no Abet phambili” they were encouraging and motivating all the Abet learners who were previously disadvantaged in terms of educational opportunities to fully participate in Abet classes from their centres or workplaces.

The guest speaker Dr Mlondo in his address outlined the challenges facing some Abet centres around our communities, such as shortage of space for classes, electricity problems in other schools, whereby Abet classes are operating. However, after outlining the challenges he continued motivating and encouraging old people not to loose hope for their future purposes.

“Without education we can not achieve the struggle against poverty and illiteracy”, said Dr Mlondo.



Dr Mlondo was the guest speaker for the day, he stressed the importance of Learners’ participation in Abet classes .

The day hosted by the premier’s office celebrated literacy for government department employees who are taking part in various government Adult Based Education and Training programmes, this include– Department of Health, Department of Social Welfare and Population Development, Department of Public Works, Department of Transport and Department of Agriculture



Bethesda Hospital 2005 Abet class, in celebration at KwaNgwanase

# ABET TESTIMONIES FROM THE LEARNERS WHO HAVE ACHIEVED IN THEIR CAREER PATH

Mrs. Zondo who have opened the Abet centre after she studied through ABET. “Adult Basic Education and Training have opened my eye and broaden my mind”, I have left schooling in standard five long time ago.

When she left school, she there after decided to study through Abet. With the assistance from the Abet classes she managed to complete her matriculation and there-after went to study Grade R teacher’s course. She completed her studies successfully. “I would like to encourage all learners not to loose hope if they want to achieve in life” said Mrs.



Mr. Vumase who is now a Teacher after he completed his matric through the help of Abet classes.



Mrs. Zondo addressing the crowd, she motivated all the learners which came to listen about good news of Abet.

Umn. Vumase ongomunye wabantu abasizakala kakhulu ngohlelo luka Abet-ngokusho kwakhe uthi washiya isikole ebangeni lesihlanu, wahlala iminyaka, wabe eseqhubeka nezifundo zakhe ngosizo luka Abet. Kangangokuthi wakwazi ukuba aphothule umatikuletsheni. Ngemuva kakamatikuletsheni wabe eseya kwenye yama-Nyuvesi , ukuyokwenza izifundo zobuthishela. Njengamanje usebenza njengomfundisi/uthisha, kanti futhi usekhushulelwe isikhundleni esithe ukuphakama lapho esebenzakhona.

“Ngiyaziqhenya ngemfundo engayithola emuva kokuba ngazibandakanya ne- Adult Basic Education and Training”

Zondo.

Phambili no Abet phambili, ngicela ukugqugquzela bonke abantu abadala ukuba bangalilahli ithemba empilweni. Konke kuyalunga uma usebenza ngokuzinikela nangokuzimisela. “Nami akubanga lula ngasebenzisa ukuzinikela nokufisa ukufeza wonke amaphupho ami empilweni”

‘PHAMILI NEMFUNDO YABADALA PHAMBILI’

VIVA ABET VIVA!!!



# HALALA NGO ABET- SIQEDA UBUBHA NOKUNGAZI BEKUMNANDI KWANGWANASE



Thanks to all of those who played an important role during planning of the event.



Mrs. Koloti after being introduced by Dr Gumede



Nongoma Department of Agriculture-performing a dance



Mama Mfundisi opening with prayer



Bethesda Abet Tutor Ms NZ Ndlovu with learners



People attended in numbers for International Literacy Day