

A CELEBRATION OF
T H A N K S G I V I N G
FOR THE LIFE OF
ISAAC MOGASE



25 JAN 1934-2021 27 APR

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.



Church of the Resurrection, Bryanston Catholic Church
Thursday 06 May 2021 at 10h00



Celebrants

Reverend Father Keith Gordon-Davis
Reverend Father Kgaogelo Ntsie

ORDER OF SERVICE

First Reading: Wisdom 4: 7-15

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.
Merciful and gracious is the Lord,
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.
Not according to our sins does he deal with us,
nor does he requite us according to our crimes. **Response**

As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him,
For he knows how we are formed;
He remembers that we are dust. **Response**

Man's days are like those of grass;
like a flower of the field he blooms;
The wind sweeps over him and he is gone,
And his place knows him no more. **Response**

But the kindness of the Lord is from eternity
to eternity toward those who fear him,
And his justice toward children's children
among those who keep his covenant
and remember to fulfil his precepts. **Response**

Second Reading: Revelation 21: 1-5a, 6b-7

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia Alleluia
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Alleluia.

Gospel: John 14: 1-6

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PART 2



WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS



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Mr Mbhazima Shilowa | Mr Solomon Mogase

— Tribute by —
MOGASE FAMILY

— Tribute by —
MARUPING FAMILY

— Tribute by —
COLLEAGUE & FAMILY FRIEND

— Tribute by —
CHILDREN

— Tribute by —
GRANDCHILDREN

READING OF OBITUARY

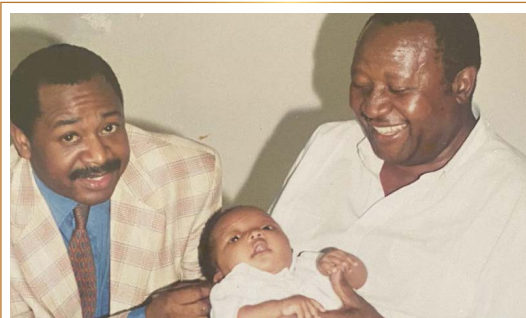
VOTE OF THANKS

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DECLARATION OF THE CIVIC FUNERAL
Speaker of the City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Council:
Councillor Nonceba Molwele

FLAG INTERCHANGE CEREMONY – CHAPLAINS IN ATTENDANCE:
SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

**LIFE AS A COUNCILLOR; EXECUTIVE MAYOR &
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT**
(Guard of Honour by the City of Johannesburg Drill Squad)

Tribute by the Executive Mayor:
Councillor Geoff Makhubo

CLOSING PRAYER - SENIOR CHAPLAIN C VAN WYK

ANNOUNCEMENT

DEPARTURE TO WESTPARK CEMETERY 11:30



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Mr Isaac Dank Tlagele Mogase (Ntate Mogase) would be proud of his two most cherished roles, **firstly** as a family man and patriarch to his family. And oftentimes like many of the leaders of the struggle for democracy, he was compelled to sacrifice his primary role to fulfill with distinction his **secondary** role as an ANC Anti-Apartheid Activist. Through this role he wore many hats including those of Community leader, Activist and Comrade, Councillor, Mayor and Alderman of COJ, and Parliamentarian. This has all culminated in his recognition as an outstanding Veteran and Stalwart of the Freedom Struggle.

It is significant to note that the late great Ntate Mogase could not have been so accomplished in either of these roles without the selfless love, support, encouragement and strength of his beloved wife Netta.

Ntate Mogase was born on **25 January 1934**, the third of eight children of the late Abel and Deborah Mogase (nee Lebethe). He grew up in Alexander Township, with frequent visits to his parents' childhood home in Jericho. In the **1960s**, he moved to **Diepkloof Township** Soweto with his wife and young family during the height of the de-densification programmes of Alexandra Township and the ensuing violent political riots.

In the early **1950s** Ntate Mogase met his beloved wife Netta Bushy Maruping and they were happily wedded in **1963**. Theirs is a love story that is an inspiration and legacy for the family. They were blessed with three sons and one daughter; Thabo, Mutle, Matshidiso, the late Moitse.

He completed his schooling in Lydenburg, achieving his Junior Certificate at the top of his class. He worked for Elgin Structures for over 30 years until 1986 when he resigned due to extended and frequent periods of detainment for his political activities. While at Elgin, he applied his innate leadership and commitment to the representation of often marginalized work forces, by taking up leadership roles including that of Shop Stewart.

He was respected by employers and the workforce alike for his ability to establish progressive working relations between all parties, successfully ensuring that required compromises were amicably reached.



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Ntate Mogase was blessed with outstanding leadership qualities. This enabled him to take a principled stand and unite people despite their differences, thus earning him respect and love by many. He is also well known for his brilliant mind, quick wit, humour, and his interests across many fields. In addition to his passion for family and politics, he had interests across sporting disciplines including boxing, football, tennis and running, as well as an appreciation for travel, music, films and literature. He was a wellness fanatic who paid close attention to his diet and maintained regular physical and mental exercise throughout his life up to the time of his untimely passing. In his later years, he was filled with much joy and peace by spending time with his wife, together keeping up with current affairs and playing scrabble, he also took his role as grandfather to heart ensuring that he generously expressed his love, encouragement and pride in his grandchildren and children.

In his late teenage years in the **1950s**, he joined the **ANC youth league** in Alexandra Township, during which time he played a leading role in the **Alexandra Bus Boycott**. He served as Founder and Chairperson of the **Diepkloof Civic Association**, which was founded in **1979** as the first Civic Association in the Country after a collision between a **Putco** bus and a McPhail coal lorry in which many Diepkloof residents were killed. In keeping with his renowned active commitment to the resolve of crises in the Diepkloof community, he led relief efforts for the affected, notably raising much needed funding for the bereaved. He is remembered with love and gratitude for his selfless efforts in assisting in the burial of many loved ones and support of the injured in hospital.

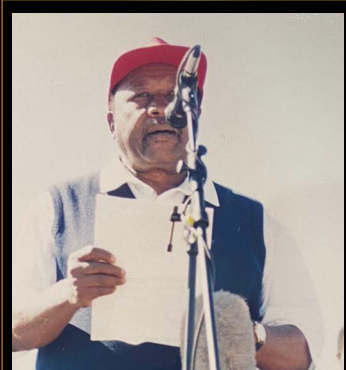
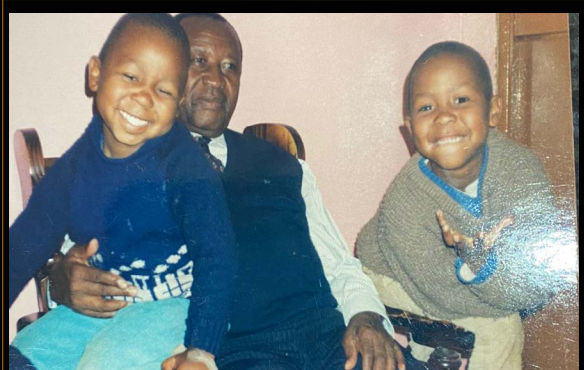
Ntate Mogase later served as one of the three co-presidents of the **Soweto Civic Association** when it was founded in **1984** alongside the late Dr Nthatho Montlana and Rev Frank Chikane. The civic organisation was a follow on from the Diepkloof Civic Association, and went on to "become the center of opposition against all forms of apartheid, but in particular the township councils introduced in 1977 by the oppressive regime. It ultimately became instrumental in the country's transformation to a democratically elected government".

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In **1985**, he was one of the leaders who were instrumental in the establishment of the **Soweto Parent's Crisis Committee**, during the State of Emergency period. The Committee was tasked with seeking solutions to the educational crisis that continued to engulf the country since the **1976 Soweto Student Uprisings** against Bantu Education. In the advent of democracy, he went on to assist in the formation of the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) in **1996** to assist students in financial need gain access to tertiary education.

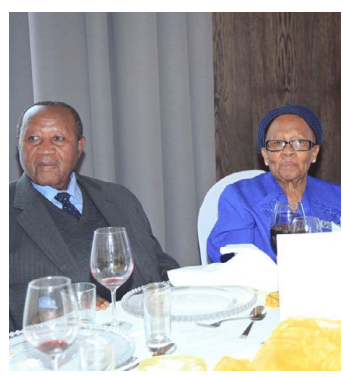
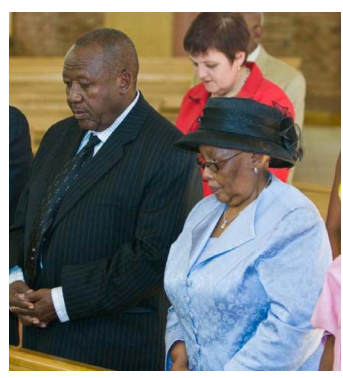
He like many others who paid the high price in the fight for our hard-won democracy, was "subjected to state harassment and numerous arrests and jail terms by the apartheid regime", it is said that "he never wavered nor surrendered in the face of callous brutality, he remained firm in his convictions and commitment to continue fighting for freedom". He is also recognized for his service in assisting "young people who went underground at a time when it was extremely dangerous, and his involvement in prisoners committees with various ANC leaders."

From **1995 to 2000**, Ntate Mogase served as the first post-apartheid **Mayor** of the Greater Johannesburg Metropolitan Council from, a role which he is said to have fulfilled as "an outstanding servant of the City". This celebrated appointment was made in his capacity as one among a niche of distinguished leaders of the movement, who dedicated their lives to the struggle for freedom and attainment of peace.

Thereafter in **2004** he served as a **Parliamentarian** for the ANC, and in **2007** as the party's **Chief Whip** in Parliament under former President Thabo Mbeki's tenure. Ntate Mogase was later conferred title of Alderman of the City of Johannesburg, a title bestowed upon Councillors who have served with distinction in local governance, and now lend their invaluable experience to the "mentoring and inspiration of incumbent leadership bodies as well as creating a sense of unity within communities".



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Ntate Mogase was quoted by the President of the Republic of South Africa, Cyril Ramaphosa, in his closing address at the Zondo Commission on 29 April 2019, as "having ably represented the people of the City of Johannesburg" and as "an outstanding example of the kind of public representative that the people of our country seek and deserve".

He is aptly described as "a doyen and trailblazer of the civic movement and a veteran of the freedom struggle", and how profound that he should rise to the great heavens on the day of the 27th anniversary of our nation's Freedom Day. Freedom, a cause to which he so humbly, selflessly, passionately and superbly dedicated his and his family's own life and freedoms, for the attainment of a better life for all.

Words fail to describe a man who so lived his life fully and gallantly, according to his true intended purpose. What stands out most for us all, his family and the peoples he served, is his deep and unending love and affection; his integrity and honour; his capacity to forgive and unite; his generosity and magnanimity; his charisma and captivating sense of humor; And of significant benefit to all and country, his inspired and courageous leadership and diligent work ethic.

Ntate Mogase is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Netta Bushy; his three children, Thabo, Mutle and Matshidiso; daughters in law; Anna, Mendy, and Baba; son-in law Promise; 9 grandkids: Paballo, Kekeletso, Kamogelo, Pontsho, Thabang, Lehlohonolo, Lerato, Neo and Nkem; and 3 great grandchildren; Dulcanna, Amile and Amara. He is also survived by his siblings; Nkile, Shimane, Maria, Manthime and Mananeng.

"We mourn one who was among the most admired, most beloved, one of the most extraordinary" of the sons of the African soil. Our sorrow runs beyond the depth of oceans. We are consoled in the absolute knowledge that you ran your race fully and with grace, and that your rest is indeed well earned. May your soul rest in eternal peace.

***A true gentle giant among the greatest of giants, we will never forget,
 Robala ka kgotso Mokwena, kgosi ya Legasa.***

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HYMNS



KE TSHEPILE HO UENA

¹
 Ke tshepile ho uena
 Oho Movirigo
 O ntlhatlhobe ka mehla
 Sekhutlong sa lillo
 Le mohlang ke khathalang
 U ntlatse ka matla
 Ke tla shoela moreneng
 Ke be ke ee botleng

²
 Maria ea monate
 Ea sa kheseng motho
 Ke uena 'Ma 'Moloki
 Ke uena 'Ma Jesu
 Oho, u nkamohele
 Tebelong ea hao hle
 Ke tla shoela moreneng
 Ke be ke ee botleng

³
 Oho, Mofumahali
 Ea mosa le matla
 Ke etsa pallo ke re
 Ke tla o hlonepha
 Hape ke tla u rata
 Joale le ka mehla
 Ke tla shoela moreneng
 Ke be ke ee botleng

JONNA! MOEA

¹
 Jonna! Moea oa ka
 U tsohetse'ng, u hlokela'ng khotso!
 Jonna! Moea oa ka
 U tsohetse'ng u hloka khotso,

Ke khale ke ithatafatsa,
 Morena, ke se na ho loka,
 Jonna! Ke fositse!
 Ke lahlile tsela ea 'nete.

²
 Lefu le ntatetse,
 Le haufi, le batla ho ntiha;
 Lefu le ntatetse
 Ho felile masaoan'a ka.
 Lebitla le se le ahlame,
 'Me joale ke se ke fihlile;
 Oho! Uena lefu,
 U ea baba 'me u bohloko

³
 Jonna! Ke entse joang?
 Leholimo le letle la Ntate
 Jonna! Ke entse joang?
 Ke sethoto! Ke le lahlile.
 'Me joale e se le ho soaba,
 Ho ile nako ea ho baka
 Jonna! Ho felile!
 Ke timetse hole le Ntate.

⁴
 Oho! Monyefoli
 Tsaba joale Morena Molimo.
 Oho! Monyefoli
 Ho fihlile nako ea soabo:
 Utloa hle tsa hae lialuma;
 U tla re'ng, ha u le inotsi?
 Tsaba he, kajeno,
 Moahloli oa batho bohle.

⁵
 Oho! Moren'a ka,
 Oho! Ntate, ke bona selemo
 Oho! Moren'a ka,
 Se seholo sena sa mollo.

Ke lona letsa la sulfure
 Lihele, moo ho utloahalang
 Lilo le lithoako,
 Le li-jonna tse se nang phetho.

⁶
 Lentsoe le se le shoa
 'Me bohloko bo se bo ntlamile
 Lentsoe le se le shoa
 Pelo feela e ntse e utloa.
 Ka 'nete, Ntate ea ratehang
 Ea ntseng a ntebela ka mehla,
 Ntate, ea ratehang,
 Ea monate! Ke se ke baka!

⁷
 Jesu Molisana,
 U ntalime, ke eona nku ea hao,
 Jesu Molisana
 U mamele, e batla mohau.
 U tsebe u e lopolotse
 Ke mali a leng bokhabane,
 Oho! Molopolli,
 U nkhouhele! 'Me ke tla phela.

OHO NGOAN'ESO!

¹
 Oho ngoan'eso! U ee ka khotso
 Ho 'Mopi oa hao
 Ea u bitsitseng kajeno
 U s'uphethile
 La hao leeto
 U tla phomola
 Ka eo hle mehla

²
 Uena u tsoile
 Tsietsing tsena
 Tsa fatshe lena

U phethile thomo ea hao
 U s'u ea mane
 Motseng oa khotso
 Le oa phomolo

³
 E, re bohloko
 Re lla meokho
 Ka lefu la hao
 Hoba u re amohiloe
 Ho etsoe thato
 Ea 'Mopi oa hao
 'Me e rorisoe
 Ka mehla eohle

⁴
 Tsamaea hantle
 Oho motsoalle
 U boele hae
 Re roballe moo lebitleng
 U tlo u tsohe
 Ka la bofeloMohl'a kahlolo
 Ea batho bohle

⁵
 Oho Maria
 Uena 'Ma rona
 Ak'u mo thuse
 A tsoe kapele mahlokong
 A kene thabong
 Ea leholimo
 Moo a tla lula
 Le bakhethuoa

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TSATSI LE TENG

1
 Tsatsi le teng la kahlolo
 La bohale le la tshabo
 La phethetso ea Molimo

2
 Re tla utloa phala e lla
 Ka nqa tsohle tsa mabitla
 E tla phutha ba lichaba

3
 Fatshe lena le tla tsota
 Lefu lona le tla soaba
 Hoba bafu ba tla tsoha

4
 'Me mabitla a tla buloa
 Le masapo a kopane
 Batho bohle ba tla phuthoa

5
 Ho tla ba joang ha ke bona
 Moahloli a nts'a e-tla
 Ho re qosa le ka thata

6
 Buka joale e tla tlosoa
 Moo liketso tsee tsa rona
 Li tla baloa ke Morena

7
 Joale pontsheng li tla hlaha
 Taba tsena tse mpe feela
 Tse patiloeng ha re phela

8
 Moemeli re tla batla
 Ea ka tsebang ho re tlatsa
 Empa o tla hlokahala

9
 Ke moo Jesu a tla beha
 Linku tsohong le letona

Poli tsona li tla lahloa

10
 Ke utloa lentsoe le thata
 Tlohang ho 'na tlohang lona
 Le eeng mollong, le eeng ho cha!

11
 Lentsoe le leng le bolela
 Le tleng ho 'na bana ba ka
 'Musong oa ka ho phomola

12
 Sefapanong ua pholosa
 Lesholu le shoang le uena
 Oho! Jesu, nthuse le 'na!

OHO PELO EA JESU

1
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 Pelo ea Morena
 E monate e matla
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 O re amohele kajeno
 Chorus
 Rona bahlanka ba hao Morena
 U re fe matla re tla u sebeletsa
 Re u rorise ka ketso tse ntle
 Ho fihlela lefu la rona

2
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 Re ntse re tsekisoa
 'Me re loantshoa ke lira
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 U re sireletse kajeno

3
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 Re ntse re fokola
 Re ema har'a tsela

Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 U re matlafatse kajeno

4
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 Re na le melato
 E silafatsang pelo
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 Tlo, u re hloekise kajeno

5
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 Re se re tshabela
 Ka ho uena Morena
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 U tla loanela kajeno

6
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 re tlile ho uena
 Hoba rea u tshepa
 Oho Pelo ea Jesu
 Re se re le ba hao kajeno

JESU NGIYINIKA

Jesu Ngiyinika wena inhliziyo yami.
 Ngoba ngu' oyifunayo lenhliziyo yami.

Nguwe othi: lethla lapha kade
 ngayifsa,
 Ib' eyami njalonjalo nakweli-phambili.

Izwi lakhw' elisho njalo limnand'
 impela,
 Lenjengoju olimini uma selingena.

Yithabathe Jesu wami, Ib' eyakhw'
 impela,
 Ngingefke laph' ukhona, Uma
 ngalanayo.

Yicwebise, Jesu wami, iyifuz' eyakho,
 Ib' ecwebileyo njalo ekufanelayo.

NKULUNKULU NGANGIDUKA

1. Nkulunkulu ngangiduka,
 ngakushiya wena Nkosi,
 sengibuya ngiyivuma, intando yakho.
2. Noma bengingathobeli, imiyalo yakho Nkosi, manje ngithi:
 Mayenziwe, intando yakho.
3. Noma uthi angieyeke, okufiswa yinhliziyo, ngenjabulo ngiyavuma
 intando yakho.
4. Kothi noma ngihlupheka,
 ngilosizi lobuhlungu ngenamele
 loko njalo, intando yakho.
5. Yilungis'intando yami,
 iz'iyek'inkani yayo, ithobebe njalo
 njalo, intando yakho.



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THANK YOU

"The greatest comfort during our sorrow was the expressions of heartwarming sympathy conveyed to us in many ways by you; our loving family, friends, neighbours, colleagues and comrades. We deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness and thank you most sincerely".

May God bless you richly for blessing us.

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