

MCE Dhlomo, KZN first lady and zulu princess speak out in support of provincial prayers

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KZN HEALTH MEC Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo believes the series of provincial prayers taking place throughout the province have the power to mobilise society, bring people closer to God and help strengthen the fight against social ills.

MEC Dhlomo, accompanied by KZN First Lady Mrs Zodwa Mchunu, Zulu Princess Thembi Ndlovu and other dignitaries were among worshippers from different faiths who took part in a mass prayer at Enyonini Mission, at Madadeni Section 2, earlier this afternoon.

Commenting on the significance and success of these provincial prayers, MEC Dhlomo, who is the political champion of Amajuba District, said: *"We are very grateful for this series of provincial prayers, which are co-ordinated by the Office of the Premier. In August, the month of women, one must also celebrate our fallen mother, Albertina Sisulu, who was abused by the apartheid system. She was in and out of prisons. But each time they threw stones and insults at her, she rose up once more. Here, we assembled alongside women from the whole province, from different churches and religious houses, to say that women must rise up and lead. We are saying they must be leaders of society, against the abuse of women, the rape of our children... against the killing of people living with albinism, against hijackings, and against political killings. We have had these prayers, and we hope people have listened to God's message. We are here to say, let's give ourselves an opportunity to listen to God speaking to us. We should not point fingers, but rather say, 'We've been given an opportunity to do right where things have not gone right.'"*

Mrs Zodwa Mchunu, the wife of KZN Premier Mr Willie Mchunu, said her wish is for the whole population of KZN to hear and experience the power of these prayers. *"We as women need to return to our rightful place as intercessors and women of prayer. In the past, women knew how to pray, but today we've moved away from that. In the past, women's prayer was so potent that it could end wars, and see sinners such as drug dealers abandon their ways and hand themselves to the police. We need to return to that."*

Her sentiments were echoed by Zulu Princess Thembi Ndlovu, who also thanked her brother, King Goodwill Zwelithini and Premier Mchunu for spearheading these provincial prayers.





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