



# Manifest

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*"There is no SCO Without you,  
SCO is the people in it"*  
- Rhema Ritshuri

2024/25 TERM OF  
MANIFESTATION

*"Serving God,  
Serving Students"*

*"Marriage is an  
institution of God"*

*What is  
Spirituality?*

*"Our Involvement in Politics is not in  
Anyway Pursuit For Power, But of Responsibility  
To be Able To Serve Our Fellow Students"*  
~ Vincent Makamu

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*Reaching Students For Christ*

# Ushering in a New Era: Introducing The Term of Manifestation

*By Judy Silima*



**“Creation will not wait  
any longer,  
you will manifest”**



On **Sunday, 13 October 2024**, the Students' Christian Organisation (SCO) at the University of Limpopo entered a defining moment — the official beginning of a new chapter in its journey. The day marked not only the introduction of a new term of office but also the Spirit-led declaration of a new prophetic season: the **Term of Manifestation**.

**Branch Chairperson, Brother Rhema Ritshuri**, stepped forward to deliver the message. Guided by the Spirit, he first reflected on the rich history of SCO's spiritual journey, reminding members of the past themes that shaped the organisation's growth: *The Term of Refinement, The Term of Obedience, The Term of Embracing Your Ministry, The Term of Restoration*

Each theme, he explained, prepared SCO for greater depths in God. Referring to the book of Exodus, Brother Rhema reminded the congregation of Israel's story: *"The more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied."* He boldly declared that this is also true for SCO: *"Oppression results in expansion. The more we are opposed, the more we will multiply."*

He acknowledged that some students had hoped the Term of Restoration would continue, considering the mighty works God has been doing. Yet, he emphasised that restoration rarely happens in comfort, citing Abraham's call to leave his father's house before God could establish him.

Shifting the atmosphere, **Brother Rhema** turned to Acts 2 vs 1-4, explaining the Greek and Hebrew roots of the word manifestation — "to make visible" or "to uncover suddenly." He declared that this is the season where what has long been prayed for will finally be revealed.

With the congregation standing in awe, he spoke prophetically:

*"I understand that many thought it would be the Term of Repentance. But hear this: repentance shall manifest, fire will manifest, power will manifest, healing will manifest, and whatever you have been praying for will surely manifest."*

*"Everything you have been  
praying for will manifest"*  
~**Rhema Ritshuri**

# Kingdom Governance

By Neo Letuma



*Members of the Students' Affairs Desk with the congregation joyfully singing during the service.*

**O**n the 2nd of March 2025, we were honored to host the Kingdom Governance event, where our guest speaker, Mr. Knowledge Justice Dube, delivered a powerful and thought-provoking message.

Mr. Dube spoke with wisdom and conviction, reminding us that as Christians, we are called not only to pray for our leaders but also to actively participate in the sphere of politics, governance, and leadership. He emphasized that leadership is a form of stewardship, and when believers take their rightful place in these spheres, society can be transformed by values of integrity, justice, and godly vision.

His message was both a challenge and an encouragement—calling us to rise beyond the walls of the church and step boldly into positions of influence where God's light is needed most. As he reminded us, "Good governance is not just about power; it is about service, responsibility, and advancing the Kingdom of God here on earth."

The event left everyone deeply inspired and renewed with a sense of mission—to shape communities and nations through Christ-centered leadership. Truly, it was a timely reminder that the world is waiting for the sons and daughters of God to lead with excellence and righteousness.

# Talk Show: What is Spirituality?

By Prudence Malahlela



*Panelists Standing Ready To Spread Light Into The Topic of The Day, With The MC Steering The Ship For Smooth Sailing.*

**O**n Saturday, 29 March 2025, we held a powerful Talk Show under the theme "What is Spirituality?" The panel featured Mr. Messiah Masipa, Sister Tsheamo Thoka, Brother Advice Ramuhashi, and Sister Pheny Selepe, who together unpacked this profound subject with wisdom and clarity.

The discussion was richly grounded in Scripture, beginning with 1 Corinthians 2:10–16, which reminds us that man is made up of body, spirit, and soul. The panel further drew on John 1:11 and Hebrews 11:3, highlighting that spirituality is the divine connection between humanity and divinity—an act of recognizing and living out who we already are in Christ.

The panelists emphasized that spirituality is not external but internal. As John 4:24 declares, "God is Spirit," and since we are created in His image, we are first and foremost spirit beings. The word "spirituality" itself comes from the Latin word *spiritus*, meaning "breath"—a reminder that God breathed His Spirit into man, making us living souls.

The session concluded with an interactive Question-and-Answer slot, giving everyone the opportunity to participate, reflect, and be enlightened. This exchange deepened our understanding and left us with a renewed commitment to walk in the Spirit daily. The talk show was both educational and transformational, leaving all participants inspired to pursue a deeper connection with God and to embrace spirituality as the essence of our being.

# Mega Fundraising

By Mandy Maluleke



Photo: Kgothatso Maphepha

**Pastor Vusi with those who accompanied him enjoying the service, prior to his ministration.**

On 6 April 2025, we held a special Fundraising Event with guest speaker Pastor Vusi Mashabane. In his message, Pastor Mashabane taught on the principles of giving, reminding us that giving is an act of faith, worship, and obedience to God. He encouraged everyone to give generously and with the right heart, not only as a way of fundraising but also as a way of partnering with God's Kingdom work.

The response was truly inspiring—by God's grace, we managed to raise more than our targeted amount. To crown the day, Pastor Mashabane himself pledged to donate the exact same amount that had been raised, effectively doubling the total and leaving the congregation in awe of God's provision.

The event was a powerful reminder that when God's people come together in unity and generosity, extraordinary things can be achieved. Truly, this was not just fundraising, but faith-raising! Should you feel it in your heart to make an offering, below are the **SCO's**

## Banking Details:

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Acc #: 330044087

Account Holder: Student Christian Organisation

# Easter Conference:

## The Repercussion of the Cross

By Hlulani Komane

From 18 to 20 April, congregants gathered to commemorate the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ at the Easter Conference 2025, hosted under the theme, "The Repercussion of the Cross." The three-day event offered worship, teaching, and reflection on how the sacrifice of Christ continues to impact believers today.



Photo: Neo Letuma

**Brother Tumelo Ledwaba explaining passionately the benefits of the cross.**

## The Benefits of the Cross ~ Brother Tumelo

The conference opened with Brother Tumelo, who spoke passionately about the profound benefits believers receive through Christ's sacrifice. Preaching from John 19:16–22, he told the congregation that the crucifixion was not just a historical event but a living source of the gospel.

He highlighted the benefit of redemption and forgiveness of sins, explaining that through Christ's death humanity is reconciled to God. The cross, brings forgiveness and freedom from the burden of sin, restoring a broken relationship with the Creator.

Tumelo also pointed to the peace with God that comes through Christ's obedience. The sacrifice on the cross bridges the gap created by sin, allowing believers to approach God with confidence and assurance.

Concluding his message, Brother Tumelo urged the congregation to embrace these benefits daily, saying the cross has the power to transform lives in tangible and lasting ways.



Photo: Kgothatso Maphepha

**Brother Emmanuel Kgoedi explaining passionately the eternal significance of the cross.**

## Eternal Significance ~ Brother Emmanuel

Brother Emmanuel led the second day, centering his sermon on the enduring and eternal nature of Jesus' crucifixion, burial, and resurrection. Reading from John 19:13–17, he reminded the congregation of the scene where Pilate brought Jesus before the crowd and presented Him with the words, "Here is your King." In that moment, humanity was confronted with a choice: to accept or reject the Messiah. Emmanuel explained that this decision, though made in the first century, carries eternal weight and continues to echo through every generation.

He noted that in verse 17, where Jesus carries His own cross to "the Place of the Skull," the passage demonstrates the cost of obedience and the depth of Christ's sacrifice. This act, Emmanuel stressed, was not a fleeting incident in history but a turning point for all time — the moment when sin, death, and separation from God were decisively addressed.

Encouraging believers, he declared that the Gospel is not a story to be celebrated once a year but a living reality that transforms lives daily. The crucifixion is a reminder of God's justice and love, the burial a seal of Christ's obedience, and the resurrection a guarantee of eternal hope. Brother Emmanuel urged the congregation to live fully in this reality, drawing strength and purpose from the eternal message of Calvary.

# Easter Conference: (Cont..)

## The Repercussion of the Cross

By Hlulani Komane



Photo: Neo Letuma

Pastor Malangane Ministering On The Resurrection of Christ

The final day of the Easter Conference was led by Pastor Rusnath Malangane, who delivered a stirring message titled "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of the Cross." Preaching from John 19:1-3, he reflected on the humiliation Christ endured at the hands of soldiers, reminding the congregation that the Gospel is rooted in both suffering and triumph.

Turning to John 20:1-3, 11, 17, 20, he spoke of the resurrection morning, when the empty tomb revealed Christ's victory over death and the risen Lord appeared to His followers. These passages, he said, call believers not only to faith but also to bold proclamation.

Pastor Rusnath also drew on the scene in Gethsemane, recalling Jesus' words, "Can't you tarry with me for an hour?" He explained that agony often isolates, yet it is in such moments that the cross speaks most directly to human need and reveals God's sustaining presence.



Photo: Neo Letuma

EOC Members and Ushers called upon to serve the Holy Communion.

The service closed with the sharing of Holy Communion, a moment of unity and remembrance. Pastor Rusnath explained that Communion embodies the very message of the scriptures read throughout - Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection. The bread and cup, he said, remind believers of the price paid at Calvary, while pointing forward to the eternal hope secured through the resurrection.

The Easter Conference 2025 ended as it began with deep reflection on the cross and renewed commitment to the Gospel.

*"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."*  
— 1 Corinthians 1:18

*The cross is proof of both the immense love of God and the profound wickedness of sin.*

**Billy Graham**

# Mega Worship Night

By Kgothatso Maphepha



Photo: Neo Letuma

An Intimate Moment of Worship - The Congregation Joined The Guest Artist On The Podium In Worship

On 25 April 2025, believers gathered under the open skies at Gate 2, University of Limpopo for an unforgettable Mega Worship Night. The atmosphere was electric yet reverent as voices and hearts united in songs of praise and worship. The evening featured powerful ministrations and intimate worship from Akani Johnathan, Mpho Morwaswi, Phemelwa, Tiisetso, Grace Maruma, Tsheamo, and Advice. Each artist brought a unique sound, ushering worshippers into deep moments of adoration, thanksgiving, and celebration. The outdoor setting created a refreshing space for expression—hands lifted high, voices raised, and even feet moving in joyful dance before the Lord. It was more than an event; it was an encounter, reminding all present of the beauty of communal worship and the joy found in God's presence. Truly, Mega Worship Night was a night to remember, where worship overflowed beyond music into a living testimony of faith, unity, and celebration.

The outdoor setting gave the night a unique flavour. With the stage framed by the starlit sky, worshippers filled the grounds with raised hands, bowed knees, and joyful dance. Some wept quietly in reverence, others shouted in jubilation, but together the diverse expressions formed a tapestry of worship. "It felt like heaven touched earth," one participant remarked, noting the palpable sense of God's presence throughout the evening.

Beyond the music, moments of prayer and reflection were woven into the program, reminding all that worship extends beyond the stage. Speakers shared short exhortations, encouraging attendees to embrace worship not just as a song but as a lifestyle. This message resonated deeply, as many responded in prayer, re-dedication, and open expressions of faith.

# Social Day

By Refentse Mashabela



Photo: Neo Letuma

A Team Playing 30 Seconds Game, With One Member Giving Clues of What Is Written

Laughter, energy, and community spirit filled the air as the Students' Christian Organisation (SCO) at the University of Limpopo hosted its much anticipated Social Day on Saturday, 26 April 2025. The event, designed to bring members together outside of formal services, proved to be a vibrant celebration of fellowship through games and fun activities.

From the moment the programme began, the atmosphere was light-hearted and engaging. Members gathered in groups to take part in a wide variety of games, each activity sparking competition, teamwork, and plenty of laughter.



Photo: Neo Letuma

A Chess Board, With A Player Making A Pre-Meditated Move. A Step of Faith.

The Social Day proved that fellowship is not only built in prayer and worship, but also in joy, laughter, and shared experiences. Members left the event refreshed, both physically and spiritually, carrying with them memories of a day filled with unity, fun, and gratitude. The meeting was concluded by the breaking of bread, interactions and laughter.

# Love, Courtship and Marriage

By Nkibi Legora

From 16 to 18 July 2025, we were richly blessed by a three-day seminar led by Pastor Mogau Sindane on the theme "Love, Courtship, and Marriage." The sessions offered biblical wisdom and practical guidance for singles, couples, and families alike.



Photo: Kgothatso Maphepha

Pastor Mogau Sindane Walking In Ushered By The Counselling Committee.

Pastor Sindane reminded us that love is the foundation of every relationship. Love overlooks weakness; it is kind, patient, and enduring. He emphasized that the man is the initiator of love, further reflecting Christ's example of sacrificial love.

Courtship was described as a season of preparation and intentionality—a time of getting to know someone with the purpose of marriage. It goes beyond casual friendship and involves building a romantic relationship grounded in God's Word, trust, and mutual respect.



Pastor Mogau and Prophetess Mmmabatho Sindane Tackling In Details The Topic of Marriage.



The Congregation Attentively Listening To The Wisdom Nuggets On The Theme Of Love, Courtship & Marriage. Marriage, Pastor Sindane taught, is an institution of God and must be understood from God's perspective. He reminded us of biblical principles:

- o Love one another.
- o Keep your marriage honorable.
- o Be fruitful and multiply.
- o Husbands, love your wives.
- o Wives, submit to your husbands.
- o The wife is a helper.

This three-day seminar was deeply impactful, equipping attendees with a stronger understanding of God's design for relationships. It left us encouraged to build love, courtship, and marriage on the firm foundation of Scripture.

The Seminar was on each day concluded with spirit-filled questions, filled of curiosity and desire for deep enlightenment in preparation for the future.

Let Christ be the foundation of your love, and your marriage will stand unshaken.

— Anonymous

# End of Term Function

The Lord Will Lift Up a Standard

By Mmathakana "Zozi" Malabela

The Students' Christian Organisation (SCO) at the University of Limpopo closed its year in style with a Spirit-filled Year-End Function, hosted under the Fellowship Organising Committee. Despite a delayed start, the gathering quickly shifted into a powerful celebration marked by worship, teaching, and recognition of outstanding members.

The highlight of the evening came as Brother Mixo Mhlango delivered the keynote message. Preaching from Isaiah 59:19, he reminded the congregation: "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." His sermon struck a balance between warning and reassurance, acknowledging that challenges are certain, but so is God's promise of divine intervention.

Brother Mhlango warned that the enemy is relentless and does not retreat simply because a believer prays or fasts. "Ask those who pray," he said, "and they will tell you that even after fasting, the first thing they encounter is temptation." Pointing to Jesus' forty days in the wilderness, he noted how even the Son of God faced immediate temptation.

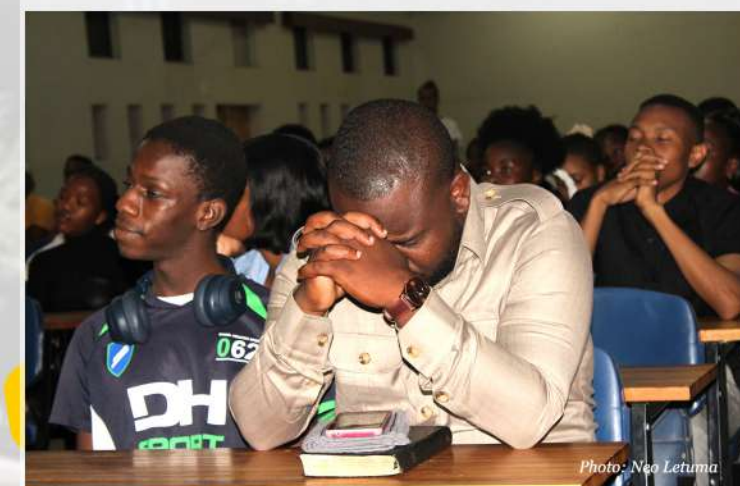


Photo: Neo Letuma

Brother Mixo Making A Prayer Before He Ascended The Podium, With The Congregation On The Background.

"The Lord is lifting a standard in every circumstance of your life," he proclaimed. "That standard will speak for you — it will declare that you are more than a conqueror!"

He further connected the idea of a standard to worship, highlighting David's words in the Psalms: "Bless the Lord, O my soul." Mhlongo described praise itself as a spiritual banner, visibly declaring gratitude and victory before the Lord. Though brief, his sermon left the congregation deeply encouraged, many describing it as a timely word of prophetic assurance.



Brother Tlou With The Signatories Receiving Accolades of Being The Most Dedicated Council Member Honouring Excellence

Beyond the sermon, the evening also shone a spotlight on SCO members who excelled in service during the year. A series of accolades were presented across all eight sub-committees and the council, recognising individuals in three key categories:

- Best Newcomer – awarded to first-year members who displayed exceptional commitment and potential.
- Most Dedicated – honouring those whose consistency and service strengthened SCO's programmes.
- Most Creative – celebrating innovative contributions that enriched the organisation's work.

The awards ceremony drew cheers and applause, affirming the role of servant leadership and encouraging members to continue pursuing excellence in their faith and service.



Sister Kamo With The Signatories Receiving Accolades of Being The Best SRC Delegate.



Sister Rifiwe With The Signatories Receiving Accolades of Being The Best Newcomer Council Member For SCO, the Year-End Function was more than a conclusion to the academic year. It was both a declaration of God's covering and a celebration of the men and women who carried the organisation forward. Members left the event inspired, reminded that as they enter a new season, they do so under the Lord's victorious standard.



SCO Mass Choir Graces The Stage To Share Their Marvelous Talent Which Earned Them 2nd Place At ULCulture Day

After their electrifying joint performance as Harmony of Faith formed by choirs from charismatic structures, the SCO Mass Choir showed off with yet another massive performance of songs they sang during the UL Culture Day Event hosted by the SCO delegate in the SRC. Their marvelous performance earned them second place against all other choirs.

*Excellence is not a skill, it is an attitude.*  
— Anonymous

# SRC ELECTIONS

SCO Secures Two Seats

By Dineo Moseamadi



Crowds Gathered At V-Side, As President Viper Addressed The Students During Manifesto Launch

After weeks of robust and vigorous campaigns across campus, the much-anticipated SRC Elections for the 2025/2026 academic year concluded successfully with Kuteno Consulting.

Out of 24,198 registered voters, a total of 16,009 students cast their ballots, reflecting a 66.2% turnout — a strong demonstration of student engagement and Interest in campus governance.

## Final Results

The results reflected the dynamic student political landscape:

- EFFSC Youth Command (EFFYC): 8,299 votes | 10 seats
- South African Students Congress (SASCO): 4,544 votes | 5 seats
- Students' Christian Organisation (SCO): 2,533 votes | 2 seats
- ACTIONSA: 200 votes | 0 seats
- MKSM: 433 votes | 0 seats

## SCO's Milestone

For SCO, this outcome marks a significant milestone. Having advanced from just one seat in the previous elections, the organisation now celebrates holding two seats in the new SRC, a clear sign of growing confidence from the student body.

In an official statement, SCO expressed heartfelt gratitude: "We deeply appreciate everyone who expressed their confidence in us by casting their vote in our favour. Your support strengthens our commitment to serve the student community with diligence and integrity."



Students Joyfully Posing With The Radiant Designs of SCO Campaign Shirts.

## Portfolios Secured

Following the constituting meeting of the new SRC, SCO secured two important portfolios:

- Culture and Religion Representative
- Disability Representative

Both delegates pledged to represent students faithfully, ensuring that cultural, spiritual, and disability-related concerns are effectively voiced and addressed within the SRC structures.

This election outcome not only highlights SCO's growing influence in student governance but also signals the organisation's readiness to advance its mandate of servant leadership on campus.

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~ Vincent Makamu



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