



**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
BRYANSTON WOMEN'S MANYANO REPORT
ANNUAL SOCIETY MEETING 2025**

1. Introduction

This marks the report of the executive committee of the Bryanston Women's Manyano to the Annual Society Meeting. As we reflect on the work and give an account of our activities for the year 2025, it is indeed an account of God's generosity, faithfulness and provision. Indeed great is His faithfulness towards us.

BMC Women's Manyano journey with the 2025 theme: **"Awakening Prophetic Urgency and Agency: Becoming an Alternative Community."**

The Manyano branches continue to hold prayer services on their respective prayer days for deeper spiritual encounter through bible studies and hosting of combined Manyano Services. The combined Manyano services provide BMC WM with the opportunity to worship together thereby fostering unity amongst the branches.

Manyano services and the work of the manyano are led by allocated pillars which are premised on the five mission imperatives of the MCSA. These are focal areas that the MCSA has identified to be addressed by its congregations in the church and community.

Summary of Membership.

Total Number of Mothers: 256

| Status | Affiliated | | Not Affiliated | |
|--------------|------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| Full Members | 51 | Thursday | 0 | Thursday |
| | 70 | Saturday | 0 | Saturday |
| | 117 | Sunday | 0 | Sunday |
| | 15 | Lanseria | 0 | Lanseria |
| Total | 253 | | 0 | |
| On Trial | 11 | Thursday | 0 | Thursday |
| | 4 | Saturday | 0 | Saturday |
| | 9 | Sunday | 0 | Sunday |
| | 5 | Lanseria | 3 | Lanseria |
| Total | 29 | | 3 | |

- BMC Women's Manyano – 3 visitors
- Retiring mothers end 2025 – 3
- Deceased 0

Farewell services for our aged and retiring mothers will be held on 22 November and 6 December 2025

- The following mothers from Sunday Manyano were elected and are yet to be inducted:
- Mam Thulisiwe Hanganana – Secretary
- Mam Noseko Sam – Assistant Secretary

- Mam Zinathi Melamane – Additional Member responsible for Justice and Service Pillar
- Mam Aanda Soga Additional member
- Bathabile Phofu Additional member

Highlights

- On the back of our opening service held on 1st February 2025 where we committed our service to God through prayer, the branches held a re-introduction service through their respective prayer days.
- Congratulations to Mam Mbewu who has been elected as BMC WM Society Chairperson as well as to BMC WM members, Mama Sithole and Mama Sili on their elections as Circuit Assistant Secretary and Circuit CCS respectively. We support them in prayer as they assume their new roles in God's vineyard, trusting God's Word to guide them.
- During Easters, we honoured Mothers who bore their crosses for Christ. May God journey with them, upholding their faith and spiritual resolve.
- The Central District Women's Manyano Executive travelled with the mothers of the Central District for an outreach at SMMS. The trip was supported by mothers from all circuits within the district. Our mothers from Bryanston Methodist Church were also present. Mam Linda Lusawana and Mam Poppy Mpolokeng represented BMC WM Manyano in the outreach. Grocery packs were presented to the 72 students at SMMS, who received them with great appreciation. Additionally, three washing machines were donated to SMMS, which will be highly beneficial to the students during their time at the seminary.
- BMC Women Manyano contributed R 72 610 towards BMC Rhona.
- From the CCS desk we aim to serve and develop mothers. We continue to support and pray for and with our mothers and the community at large. In the short time that the CCS desk has been active, we have had the following activities:
- Toys, soaps, body lotions and roll-ons have been donated to Fourways Circuit WM. We are continuously supporting less fortunate mothers with CCS essentials as and when required.
- As part of CCS Wellness Mission, a cancer patient within the Fourways Circuit was sponsored with healthy food, supplements and was allocated a garden vegetable at Cosmo Manse.
- Thursday Manyano under CCS initiative continues looking after our BMC WM garden. The first crops of spinach and lettuce were opened to Oomama and anyone in need. Tomatoes, green onions, mealies, beetroot and green peppers have been planted recently. With the rainy season, the crops are expected in the next two to three months. It is our aim to convert this into an initiative across all our BMC WM mothers in the next year.
- Women Manyano frequently visit the elderly and sick Manyano members at their homes to pray and give them hope and encouragement, reminding them they are not alone.
- The combined Manyano services provides our BMC WM mothers with the opportunity to worship together thereby fostering unity amongst our branches. The branches have seen an improvement in attendance over the past year.
- BMC WM mothers participated in their Market Day, a fundraising effort. These are the funds used for missionary work for the extension of God's Glory – May God bless our reserves.
- Mother's Day celebration was a resounding success! Our beautiful Women Manyano queens truly shone, and we're grateful to the mothers for making the event special including the profound words of

wisdom from our guest speaker.

- On May 30th, we held our first Society General Meeting, focusing on growth and accountability. We shared insights and celebrated the presence of the Holy Spirit together.
- Congratulations to our 2nd Class of 2025 - 16 of our Women Manyano members were robed during the Circuit Robing in November. We pray that God journey with them.
- BMC WM held a healing and Restoration Service to overcome the challenges experienced in the year and to gain new strength for the journey ahead.
- Sunday Manyano will undertake an Outreach program on Sunday, 23 November 2025 led by the Justice and Service Pillar. The visit is to Itlhokomeleng Home for the Aged in Alexandra. As customary in our Manyano, all sub branches will make contributions towards the outreach, sithi Malihambe!

2. SPIRITUALITY

Thursday Manyano spirituality pillar under the leadership of the Spirituality Convener Mam Xulu and members of the pillar led a deep prayer session titled BMC Women's Manyano Spiritual Reset under the theme, "Let God have his way with us. A pilgrimage of renewal". The Bible reading was Romans 12, the heading "a living sacrifice" from verse 1 -21.

The program was inclusive, invited other spirituality convenors to partake in the proceedings and both Saturday and Sunday Manyano's to participate through program and attendance.

The focus was to pray for BMC Women's Manyano, the Fourways Circuit Women's Manyano, the District Women's Manyano and the MCSA at large.

Saturday Manyano held a Spirituality pillar Service where Reverend Sikupela emphasized that true revival begins with a deep, personal return to the foundations of spiritual discipline prayer, holiness, and wholehearted surrender to God. He highlighted that when individuals cultivate an authentic inner life with Christ, the church becomes fertile ground for renewal, unity, and transformative ministry. The Spirituality Pillar ensured that the message was not only well-received but also aligned with the broader vision of nurturing a spiritually grounded and revitalized church community

BMC Women's Manyano received an invitation from Elim Methodist Women's Manyano to attend a Revival and Worship service scheduled for Saturday, 7 June 2025. We kindly accepted the invitation as a gesture of support and solidarity with our sisters in Christ.

3. HUMAN AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

To facilitate the ability for the society and our branches, to facilitate its work, various fundraising initiatives have been held including the celebration of life through honouring the birthday of our Manyano members.

Each branch marks these celebrations in a unique manner as envisaged by its membership. We have found that enabling this freedom ensures greater participation from our mothers in both the planning and hosting of these celebrations.

We're also proud of Mama Sili, who participated in the District Skills Development Program in Klerksdorp. We look forward to her sharing and transferring the skills she's gained with BMC Women's Manyano.

- Sunday Manyano held its annual fundraising event on Sunday, 29 June 2025 in a quest to raise funds for the Rhona target set by the Church.
- Sat WM Thanksgiving & Birthday Celebrations – 05 July 2025. Through generous contributions, pledges, and event-day activities, we were able to raise meaningful funds that will directly strengthen our ministry work, outreach initiatives, and future development projects.
- Sunday Manyano Mothers hosted their annual fundraising event on Sunday, 9 November 2025 through celebrating all mothers whose birthdays are between July and December

This pillar continues to share opportunities of employment and bursaries on the broader Manyano group.

We are grateful for these initiatives and eagerly await the continuation of these initiatives in 2025.

4. JUSTICE AND SERVICE

The Pillar had a gender-based violence (GBV) awareness event under the theme “Safe Spaces & Safe Lives”, Advocate Brenda Madumise-Pajibo was the keynote speaker. The invitation for the event was open to the other BMC Women Manyanos and other organisations.

- Saturday Women's Manyano hosted a powerful service under the theme “United Against the Scourge of Gender-Based Violence in our Society.” The service was led by Mam Wandi Sili as the main speaker, drawing together mothers to stand in solidarity against GBV.
- There was also interactive session led by Mam Mbewu, which focused on confronting cultural norms that lock women and children behind barriers of silent pain in the midst of the injustice of GBV. This engaging discussion encouraged mothers to reflect deeply on harmful traditions and to explore ways of breaking the silence, promoting healing, and fostering safe, open dialogue within families and communities. The session was both sobering and empowering, reminding all mothers of their collective responsibility to challenge and change the structures that perpetuate violence and silence.

On Friday, 7 June 2025, the Manyano service was led by the newly robed Saturday Manyano mothers. The theme for the service was **"Thursday in Black"**, reflecting our collective stand against gender-based violence and our call for justice, healing, and dignity.

It was a moving and spiritually enriching service that reminded us of our prophetic calling and the role of mothers as vessels of healing and justice in our communities.

- Sunday Manyano hosted a combined BMC Women's Manyano service on Sunday, 8 June 2025 in

remembrance of all the victims of Gender Based Violence (GBV). The theme for the service was Thursdays in Black.

5. EVANGELISM AND CHURCH GROWTH

- Our branches continue to visit the sick and bereaved offering prayer and support to these families, including members of our Manyano and extending fellowship to other societies within the circuit.
- On the 14th of June 2025, we conducted a home visit to one of our mothers who was recently discharged from hospital. The visit aimed to offer comfort, prayer, and fellowship as she continues her recovery. The service was led by the Evangelism Pillar, and it was a spirit-filled time of encouragement, support, and thanksgiving for her healing.
- Sunday Manyano held a Memorial Service on Sunday, 22 June 2025 in honour of all Sunday Manyano mothers who lost loved ones within the last two quarters.
- From the CCS desk we aim to serve and unite mothers. We continue to support and pray for and with our mothers and the community at large. In the short time that the CCS desk has been active, we have had activities.
- Sunday Manyano have been able to give support to 5 bereaved mothers and their families. Support is given to the families when they face challenging times of losing their loved ones. Mothers are also supported with amaduduzo and services of remembrance.

Saturday WM Evangelism Pillar conducted a home visit to support, encourage, and fellowship with one of our elderly mothers who is unable to attend services regularly. The aim was to bring prayer, scripture, and collective warmth to her home, reaffirming her place in the fellowship and ensuring she continues to feel spiritually connected to the church community.

6. EDUCATION AND SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Upon reflection, and to ensure consistency in training, a unified on-trial training program and platform is being developed. This combined approach allows all mothers to receive standardized training both online and in person as they journey towards becoming full members of Manyano.

- During Saturday Manyano service, Mam Sili delivered a presentation on the *Pilgrimage of Renewal to Mission Congress* in preparation for the 2025 Mission Congress. During the session, members were requested to submit their experiences and concerns regarding the direction of the Methodist Church, under the theme: **“Awakening Prophetic Urgency and Agency: Becoming an Alternative Community.”**
- Saturday Manyano Education Pillar hosted a spiritually enriching Women’s Manyano service focusing on four influential women in Scripture—Mary, The Samaritan Woman, Hannah, and Ruth. The purpose of the service was to learn from their faith, resilience, service, and obedience, and to draw lessons that can guide modern Christian women in their walk with God.

7. CONCLUSION

We praise God for the service undertaken through ooMama.

We continue to commit the work of ooMama to God, may He be seen and glorified through these efforts.



We pray God's provision over our executive committees "Malihambe Evangeli!"











































BRYANSTON **WOMEN'S MANYANO** ON THURSDAY

THEME: "SAFE SPACES, SAFE LIVES"



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PERFORMANCE BY
CHANGE OF SEASON

10 APRIL 25

VENUE
GALILEE
BRYANSTON METHODIST CHURCH

18:30PM





