

ANNUAL SOCIETY MEETING 2025

BMC *strategy* IN ACTION – 2025

1. New Membership & Discipleship (Courses / Talks, Bible Study, Retreats, Strategic Events)
2. Prayer Ministry & Pastoral Care
3. Group Life and Devotional Material

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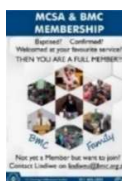
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New Membership: Market and Oversee (*Craig* = Anatomy / *Lindiwe* = Coordinate)

Membership

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
New members	0	26	73	141	226	288
Confirmed	0	21	70	113	199	251
Transferred in	0	5	3	28	27	37
Removals / left	7	11	20	27	11	24
Total Members (Anatomy)	2556	2571	2660	2300	2098	2410
Anatomy cleans up – active members:				400	1270	x
Adherents (Anatomy)	x	x	x	943	772	762
Active on Anatomy (aim below 5000)	x	x	x	5949	5082	5762

Numbers By Craig - Anatomy



Welcome to BMC: all ministers, society exec's, management invited to attend.
Internal (posters and electronic ads) and external marketing (Facebook / Outside banner).

Attendees: 2025

	2025	Total
W2BMC - 1 Feb	120	W2BMC
Confirmation	78	309
PLACED (filled google form)	76	
W2BMC - 24 May	108	Confirmation
Confirmation	94	251
PLACED (filled google form)	85	
W2BMC - 30 Aug	81	PLACED
Confirmation	79	211
PLACED (filled google form)	50	

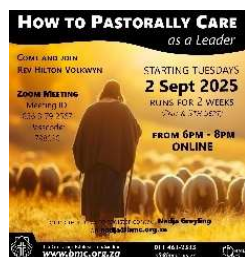
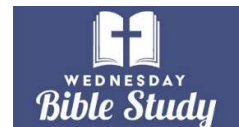


Confirmation classes: 3x a year (8 weeks) – led by Ministers.

1. METHODISM.
2. VISION AND MISSION OF MCSA.
3. DISCIPLESHIP AND MEMBERSHIP.
4. THE SACRAMENTS
5. SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES
6. MCSA GOVERNANCE
7. GIVING AND SERVITUDE
8. Introduction of organizations etc.

Discipleship: (Courses / Talks, Bible Study, Retreats, Events)

Quarter 1 2025 (JAN/FEB/MARCH)	Quarter 2 (APR/MAY/JUNE)	Quarter 3 (JULY/AUG/SEPT)	Quarter 4 (OCT/NOV/DEC)
Bible Study – 10am Wednesdays – Ministers alternate – in person 40/ 16-22 online	Bible Study – 10am Wednesdays – Ministers alternate – in person 40/ 16-22 online	Bible Study – 10am Wednesdays – Ministers alternate – in person 40/ 16-22 online	Bible Study – 10am Wednesdays BOOK OF LUKE – Ministers alternate – in person 40/ 8-15 online
Talks / Courses LENT SERVICES	Talks / Courses ART OF GRIEF – JUNE 7/14/21 – MAX 10 ATTENDEES.	Talks / Courses HOW READ BIBLE – July 10/17/23 – 80-100+ attendees PARENT TEEN – AUG 20/27 – 10 teens, 20 parents	Talks / Courses Methodism - 40 attend -shared.
Retreat: Sat 15 March – God Centered- 17 attended.	Retreats: Sat 21 June – Community – 15 attended.	Retreats	Retreats
Strategic BMC Events Lent	Strategic BMC Events Easter	Strategic BMC Events 16 AUG- LADIES EVENT: GLITTER, GLAM AND GRATITUDE BREAKFAST - 30 attended.	Strategic BMC Events BMC Birthday assist Volunteers breakfast assist
Senior's Tea – Quarterly: Thurs 27 March – 40 attended. Cheryl Johnston – Healthy relationships	Senior's TEA – Quarterly: Thurs 26 June– 40 attended. Rev Hilton – 3 Rs of retirement.	Senior's Tea – Quarterly: 18 Sept – Technology theme. 40 attended.	Senior's Tea – Quarterly: 27 Nov – CHRISTMAS



2. Prayer Ministry and Pastoral Care Ministry

Prayer:

Prayer List (ongoing). 4-5 pages of line item prayer requests by congregants.

Prayer Warriors – 50 members

12 pm Prayers Thursdays (ongoing) – 6-10 attend.

Fellowship / training Warriors ongoing

Healing Prayer Ministers 7am Thursdays – online (20-30 attend)

Father's Holy Communion – 1st Friday of month.

Bible Study Holy Communion – 1st Wednesday of the month



Divorce Care
A BMC PRAYER SUPPORT GROUP

Divorce Care Prayer 32 once a month last Tuesday (7-10 attend a session)

Lent Booklet Prayer by Ash Wednesday

Prayer Walks: ongoing

Pastoral Care:

Staff – birthday choc.

Advertise (Madala / Posters / Adverts)

Ministers meet / visit -home, retirement / hospital (Holy Communion) – ad hoc and roster.

Pastoral Shepherds (ID, Letter) Phones and visits the congregation on request.

Fellowship /Training Pastoral Shepherds – ongoing.

Pastoral Shepherds VOLUNTEERS: 11

Professional Counselors/Psychiatrists: 6

See congregants for a reduced fee. 6 with around **17** referrals to date 2025.

All introduced themselves to Rev Zamani in February 2025.



3. Group Life and Devotional Material

Small Groups (Class/Connect/Home)

Connect: FATHERS AND SHE IGNITES WOMEN GROUP (started 2024)

SMALL GROUPS	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 Qtr. 3
CLASSES	25	30	30	38	48 - 948
HOME – 11 AND YOUNG ADULT - 2	13	13	12	13	14 – 155
YOUNG ADULT	1	1	1	2	2 -24
CONNECT (FATHERS / SHE IGNITES)	1	1	1	2*	2 - 48
TOTAL GROUPS - MEMBERS	40 - 441	45 - 509	43 - 679	53 - 875	64 - 1151
					Total 64 Female – 48 Male 16 Under 35 – 9 35-50 – 30 50+ – 25

She-ignite group starts*

Fellowship and Training Events:

Small Group Seminar 15 Feb (40+attended)
13 May LEADERS TRAINING (30+ attended)
12 July LEADERS TRAINING– 40 attended.
Steward led training (Tithing and giving) July
29 July LEADERS– TRAINING - 20 attended.
5 August LEADERS TRAINING 10 attended
12 November – leaders training – 12 attended.

DATABASE UPDATED in August – **BIG – THANKS** to Mrs. **Zandi Ndamase** and Ms. **Sandisiwe Tyesi** (with Lindiwe) for the database update.

FEEDBACK FROM LEADERS 2025: Quarter 4 (GOOGLE FORM)

REPORT FEEDBACK FROM LEADERS:

FEWER LEADERS GAVE FEEDBACK

	2023	2024	2025 Quarter 1	2025 Quarter 2	2025 Quarter 3	2025 Quarter 4
Report Feedback	63%	68%	76%	73%	48%	42%

GROUP ATTENDANCE (on average):

GROUP ATTENDANCE HAS INCREASED 2x a month and 4 x a month, decreased 3 times a month

	2023	2024	2025 Quarter 1	2025 Quarter 2	2025 Quarter 3	2025 Quarter 4
25% 1x a month	17,45%	19,9%	22,5%	19,5%	15,2	14,8
50% 2x a month	39,1%	29,8	40%	19,5%	42,2	44,4
75% 3x a month	38,9%	46,4%	32,5%	53,7%	42,4	29,6
100% 4x a month	4,55%	5,5%	5%	7,3%	0	11,1

HOW OFTEN DO YOU MEET:

SIMILAR TO LAST QUARTER

	2023	2024	2025 Quarter 1	2025 Quarter 2	2025 Quarter 3	2025 Quarter 4
Weekly	53,45%	46,4%	40%	46,3%	45,5	44,4
Bi-weekly	40,3%	46%	57,5%	51,2%	51,5	51,9
Monthly	6,25%	6,2%	2,5%	2,4%	3	3,7

DO YOU MEET IN-PERSON/VIRTUALLY/HYBRID?

MORE GROUPS MEET IN PERSON AND HYBRID

	2023	2024	2025 Quarter 1	2025 Quarter 2	2025 Quarter 3	2025 Quarter 4
In Person	23,7%	19,5%	17,9%	19,5%	18,2	40,7
Virtually	42,2%	33,9%	25,6%	31,7%	24,2	18,5
Hybrid (both)	30,1%	46,6%	17,9%	2,4%	57,6	40,7

DOES YOUR GROUP MAKE USE OF THE BMC DEVOTIONAL MATERIAL (THAT FOLLOWS THE SERMON SERIES)?

THERE IS An increase IN THE USE OF DEVOTIONAL MATERIAL

	2023	2024	2025 Quarter 1	2025 Quarter 2	2025 Quarter 3	2025 Quarter 4
Yes	65%	67,6%	72,5%	68,3%	69,7	74
No	35%	32,3%	27,5%	31,7%	30,3	26

WHICH METHOD OF GIVING DO MOST MEMBERS USE?

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	2024	2025 Quarter 1	2025 Quarter 2	2025 Quarter 3	2025 Quarter 4
Pledge Cards	6,3%	5,3%	5,1%	9,4	7,7
Sunday Offering	20,3%	13,2%	12,8%	12,5	19,2
EFT	73,4%	81,6%	82,1%	78,1	73,1

IN THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS: Green is action taken / red to be done or looked at

What are the specific **Spiritual Growth** needs of your group?

2025

QUARTER 1	QUARTER 2	QUARTER 3	QUARTER 4
Prayer focus Learning how to pray	See walks / join prayer warriors. SEND PRAYER REQUESTS TO Nadja for prayer warriors.	Invite minister to group for prayer session. How to pray without ceasing.	Praying 21-Day Prayer before the Covenant Service Need Pastoral Care and want to know more about prayer
Increase knowledge of Bible / Interpreting the Word. <i>See Bible books preferred below.</i> Women of the Bible / Minor prophets, and....	See Bible study, Devotional group material and upcoming Bible course in July. Additional Bible study for working people.	To create list of acceptable commentaries /books. More Bible study sessions. Need more detailed explanation of Scripture. Continue Bible teachings. Class members are looking for a deeper relationship with God, restoration & renewal. BMC may help by having structured Bible study/ teaching at Class level - focussing on practical application of Scripture.	More weekly bible study sessions by the Ministers How to understand and interpret Scriptures Engagements on scripture with our reverends Bible Books and everyday practicality - most members are new to the faith or to the Methodist Church so basic teachings are needed
Retreats Methodism	See Quarterly. Confirmation Classes. Book of order on MCSA website.	Prayer Join confirmation class for 8 weeks. . Wesleyan teachings. Methodism course coming up in October Giving in the church	Methodism Christianity and Methodism.
Spiritual Disciplines	Possible talk – but woven into most activities – lent, prayer sessions – small group meetings. Power of fasting.	Corporate fasting as class / group or whole church. Church asked us to engage in fasting before covenant. Solitude – being in His presence	We started learning about fasting and why it is done, Spiritual disciplines. Walking with God in our daily lives teaching; How to foster discipleship. Fasting & committing to prayer. FASTING AND ITS BENEFITS
Spiritual growth – what it looks like. Work of Holy Spirit. Who is God? Faith. Purpose and calling. Doubt. Spiritual warfare.	Devotional material provided / sermons. Discipleship.	To grow spiritually and cope with life's challenges / How to authentically live in today 'world (work – life balance). Personal connection with God.	We could do with a session on giving, faith, forgiveness. Community support. outreach project or initiative that we can relate to and support Giving and the importance of fellowship in small groups

Comparisons between the **Gospels** / **Isaiah** / **Revelations** / **Corinthians** / Numbers / **Luke** / **Job** / **Romans** / **Nehemiah** / **Exodus** / **Habakkuk** / **Jeremiah** / **James** / **Samuel** / **1&2 Kings** / **Psalms** / **Proverbs** / **Ephesians** / **Micah** / **Acts** / **Deuteronomy** / **John**.

Quarter 3: **Isaiah x 3** / **Revelations x 3** / **Numbers x2** / **Jeremiah** / **Hezekiel** / **Chronicles 1 and 2** / **Genesis** / **1 and 2 Kings** / **New Testament** / **Romans x2** / **John** / **1 Corinthians x2** / **Acts** / **Psalms** / **Ephesians** / **James**

Quarter 4: **DANIEL** / **Isaiah X4** / **Jeremiah** / **Samuel (1&2)** / **PSALMS** / **NUMBERS** / **Corinthians X2** / **OLD TESTAMENT** / **JOHN** / **JOB** / **Philippians** / **Colossians** / **ALL**.

2025 TOP REQUESTED:

ISAIAH / **CORINTHIANS** / **PSALMS** / **ROMANS** / **LUKE** / **JEREMIAH** / **JAMES** / **NUMBERS**

What are the specific **Pastoral** Care needs of your group? (Emotional or Social support)

2025

QUARTER 1	QUARTER 2	QUARTER 3	QUARTER 4
Counselling services needed	6 professionals at +- R500 per hour. Helpline – contact Nadja/Church/Ministers directly.	For losses / grief. Meet with minister	Provide personal pastoral care sessions for those in need Some members have not gotten to a point of being comfortable enough to speak about some of their daily life challenges. Make people more aware of pastoral shepherds and counsellors available
Ministers visit	Contact Nadja to book an appointment, visit at home or visit with group.		
Marriage courses	Relationship breakdown.	WWW.The Marriage Course – FIND ONLINE Love that lasts Course	Marriage counselling and motivation
Family / Teen help / Parenting	Relationship breakdowns. Work / Family balance. Godly families.	Parent and Teen course – 2 nights. Parenting.	
Life challenges: job losses / Divorce / Burn out / Grief	Grief Course Contact Nadja to set up meeting with a Minister / Professional / Shepherd.	Divorce care prayer – contact Nadja Grief Course How to mend broken relationships. Family issues. Unemployment. Infertility. Suicidal thoughts.	platform for networking within our community. As well as skills development & entrepreneurship workshops to assist members mitigate the economic challenges. Emotional support Handling stressful situations at work
Pre-marital counselling	Available through Lwando at Reception with Ministers		
Workshops on Mental Health / Emotional Wellness – stress-boundaries – forgiveness.	Adding – addiction / childhood trauma.	Coping in workplace. More courses on mental health.	
How to cope with life challenges / doubt / faith challenges.	Grief Course / Retreats / Contact Nadja to set up meeting with a Minister / Professional / Shepherd.	Grief	Prayer for the high unemployment
	Members no income	Food Parcels – contact Nadja/Minister	
	Single's Group		

Any urgent **issues/challenges** we need to be aware of?

2025

QUARTER 1	QUARTER 2	QUARTER 3	QUARTER 4
Consistent Giving Financial Stewardship	Members concerned on request of proof of giving – personal.	Classes Talked in July sessions and addressed 12 July session. Giving and Tithing	
Class Attendance	Non active members.	Addressed 12 July session Non active members. Action plan needed	Class attendance remains an issue We have 5 members who have not attended class since placed We have people who were allocated to our class, and they have never attended nor participated in anything that the class does
New leaders identified and getting others to lead.		Addressed 12 July session Can leaders take a break? Spiritual upliftment.	
Collaboration between classes.		Classes Talk July	
	Membership database to be cleaned up.	Members to confirm details when classes asked to update their database.	
	Funeral notices to include pictures and moment of silence.	Briefed staff.	
		Unemployment and toxic work environments.	

Anything specific you feel as leaders you need **training** on? Or **Topics** for 2025

QUARTER 1	QUARTER 2	QUARTER 3	QUARTER 4
Faith in the workplace.	Toxic work environments.		
Pastoral Care and Crisis Management for leaders	Discussing sensitive issues. Caring for carers.	Pastoral Care training all leaders and shepherds. Working with people with special needs. Caring for the carers. How to deal with bereavement and how to encourage those bereaved. Debriefing.	May we please have a Class and Small Group Leaders Retreat Dealing with people and handling the pressures that come with it
Service / Community work. Social Media influence.		12 July session.	
Training on how to use digital platforms.		12 July session.	
Youth empowerment.	Geeting youth/young people more involved.	12 July session.	
How to lead a group successfully – group dynamics, power struggles. How to prepare for weekly devotions – run group, people management, diversity.	Join Leaders Training sessions. Respect when talking to each other.	12 July session. 29 July Training. Christian Leadership. Leading a healing prayer. Request commentary material. How to handle nonactive members.	Christian Leadership Dealing with and supporting those with mental health issues, conflict resolution skills
	Financial management and goal setting.		
	Waiting on the Lord. Trust. Thanksgiving. Deepening Faith.		
	Spiritual Gifting and application.		
	Christian response to social injustice.		
		Parenting young ones.	
Methodism			We need training on understanding the Book of Order. Maybe go through the general sections that a leader in a society needs to be aware of. Learning more about Methodist. Why we do things, baptism, confirmation and Holy Communion












CLASS LEADERS AND ASSISTANTS NOV 2025

Leaders ratified in leaders meetings Qtr. 1-3

New Leaders to be ratified Qtr. 4

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CLASSE S	Name Leader	Name Assistant Leader
Class 1	Nolizwi Mjobo	Nelisa Khumalo
Class 2	Charlotte Mbewu	Moleboheng Choeu
Class 3	Fezeka Mamfanya	Makato Mokoena
Class 4	Cynthia Tshaka	Lerato Pule
Class 5	Phumzile Dlamini	Pindiwe Gida
Class 6	Zanele Makasi	Monica Fica
Class 7	Nokwanda Mfuphi	Noseko Sam
Class 8	Khanyisa Makhawula	Lwandiso Gulukunqu
Class 9	Xhanti Mhlubulwana	Bongiwe Mabanga Dyanty
Class 10	Nontuthuzelo Mabongo	Tembihle Nene
Class 11	Khanyiso Njwabule	Andisiwe Cetwyiwe
Class 12	Lindiwe Lusawana	Ntokozo Ndebele
Class 13	Keagile Moloabi	Khumbuzile Mkhize
Class 14	Luvuyo Mali	Bernice Mohapi
Class 15	Aziwe Magida	Sandisiwe Momoti
Class 16	Wandisa Vitsha	Sichumiso Maxakato
x	x	Buleka Toyo
Class 17	Gcobisa Sigwili	Lulama Ndleleni
Class 18	Tamara Boo!	Akona Mlamleli
Class 19	Noxolo Mati	Kemong Mopedi- Mochela
x	x	Lindokuhle Mbongo
x	x	Lakhe Majavu
Class 20	Pateka Bolo	
Class 21	Thabiso Mavuso	Tselane Morolo
Class 22	Wandisa Sili	Unathi Matoti
x	x	Siphosethu Ndunge
Class 23	Cebo Mamane	Namhla Mxenge
Class 24	Thamsanqa Kunene	Nokhanyo Ntshingila
Class 25	Kuyasa Panda	Nangamso Mzimba
Class 26	Bomikazi Siboyana-Dingiswayo	Nontandokazi Hlakanyane
Class 27	Tumi Monyaki	Paul Montlhabaki.
Class 28	Mfundu Nomafulu	Zenkosi Hlalukana
Class 29	Bulelwa Nkolongwane	Vizikhungo Ntshanyana
Class 30	Zola Ntolosi	Andile Mcineka
Class 31	Sibongiseni Dyani	Thobile XABA
Class 32	Asiphesona Cetywayo	Vusumzi Louise Bell
Class 33	Nqabomzi Besman	
Class 34	Nomphelo Khayi	Kulula Mabanga/Halom
Class 35	Mzimasi Ntlole	Xolani Mohle
Class 36	Lusisipho Badi	Nobuntu Mapoma

HOME	Name Leader	Name Assistant Leader
1	Bev Wooler	x
2	Chipo Ndhlovu	Hedwig Kowo
3	Dave White	x
4	Don Seemise	Smangele Mothoa
5	Elaine Bezuidenhout	x
6	Nadja Greyling	x
7	Marion Rodd	Glenda Rodd
8	Pumeza Chilembo	Mike Wellman
9	Leah Gcabashe	Tony Hunt
10	Sindi Macheke	Ncumisa Mehana
11	Syriana Maesela	x

YOUNG ADULT	Name Leader	Assistant Leader
1	Limpho Dhlamini	Tabile Mapekula
2	Limpho Dhlamini	Vuyelwa Nkumanda

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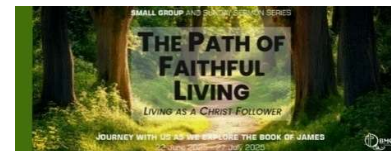
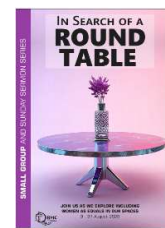
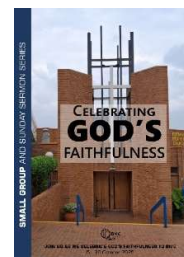
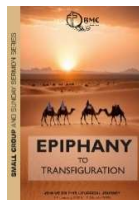
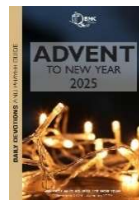
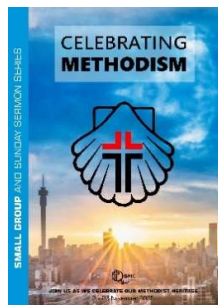
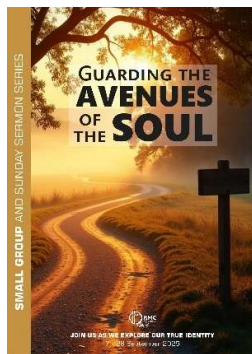
CONNECT	Name Leader	Assistant Leader
Fathers GROUP	Dave White	Mike Goodman
Women Fellowship - She Ignites	Nokwanda Mfuphi	

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Class 37	Sangiwe Hlumelo Dokoda	
Class 38	Mancoba Ndlumbini	Anita Gxeny
Class 39	Andisiwe Mtakati	Sibabalwe Gwadišo
Class 40	Zolelwa Vava	
Class 41	Pule Oratile Njeza	
Class 42	Bonelela Mgudlwa	Lally Dladla
Class 43	Nomsa Mtimkkulu	
Class 44	Zukiswa Ntlangula	
Class 45	Yandiswa Ntisana	
Class 46	Busisiwe Mbetse Damari	
Class 47	Pearl Sithole	
Class 48	Buntu Ntsepe	

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Devotional Material



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