

# Stage set for Jesus-ordained 'It's Time' prayer day in Cape Town, says Angus Buchan



Dr Soon Zevenster, founder of Tygerberg 104fm, (left) and Rev Barry Isaacs, previous station manager at CCFM and Director of Cape Peninsula Transformation Africa praying for Angus Buchan and his family at a church leaders' gathering in Cape Town yesterday. (PHOTO: Light Lounge Studio).

***By Ashley Cloete***

Farmer-evangelist Angus Buchan was in Cape Town this week to meet pastors and church leaders in preparation for the It's Time prayer event in Mitchells Plain on March 24 – and to announce details of the much-anticipated event.

Addressing nearly 1 000 leaders from many different backgrounds at the Lighthouse Christian Centre, Parow yesterday, he emphasised that It's Time will not be an evangelistic event but a national prayer gathering.

The event, which organisers believe will be the biggest mass gathering in Cape Town's history, will take place on the Swartklip sports fields between the notorious, poverty-stricken Tafelsig area and the densely-populated township of Khayelitsha. It will be a day event from 11am to not later than 4pm. Gates will open at 6am and Buchan is expected to address the gathering from 12 noon. The gathering should conclude by 2pm.

Buchan told the leaders how during a quiet time God had called him to arrange the event, speaking to him through the testimony of a former gangster.

Addressing whites who might be anxious about the It's Time location in an area known for violence and gangsterism, he quipped: "Don't worry, the gangsters will take care of us!"

He said the objective of the prayer meeting was "to come against crime, murder, disrespect for human life, prostitution, alcoholism, drug addiction, racialism and hatred".

That was why Mitchells Plain was chosen as venue, he said – because it was "the hottest place in South Africa".



“God will show up!” he said, reminding his audience: “Fear is from the devil! The believer is not governed by fear. For God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”

He said: “We are nevertheless in good company when we are fearful. When their lives were threatened during a storm, the disciples cried to the Lord in desperation: ‘Don’t you care about us!’ ”

The frantic efforts of people, buying and hoarding water during the current drought crisis in the Western Cape approached that kind of desperation, he said. But it was in such dire circumstances that we discovered the awesome nature of Jesus which prompted His disciples to ask: “Who is this man?” when he commanded the storm to be still.

Buchan likened the desperation currently being experienced by many people in the Western Cape with the fear that had gripped the Israelites in front of the Red Sea and the approaching Egyptian army before God miraculously delivered them. In later generations we would be able to tell our grandchildren about

the awesome It's Time prayer event, he said.

### **Saturated with God**

Quoting John Wesley – aptly in view of the dire Western Cape water situation – Buchan shared a definition of revival people as those “saturated by God”. Not to be outdone, he came up with a definition of his own: Holiness is the end product of obedience.

Referring to personal character attacks he and his family have faced recently as a result of his public ministry, Buchan said: ‘The devil hates me... and I hate him too!’ But he said he continued to love people across the board, including those with a completely different lifestyle. ‘It does not mean however that I condone that!’

Buchan's son, Andy, who was responsible for logistics at the historic It's Time national prayer day in Bloemfontein on April 22 last year, narrated how God had overruled supremely in that event when 1.2 million believers turned up at short notice. This was humanly impossible, but God provided in supernatural ways.

In a similar way, he said the massive Cape Town event was God's design and as happened in Bloemfontein, the Mitchells Plain gathering would be free of charge, with no offering taken, no vendors and no commercial activity. Buchan and his organising team trusted that God would provide everything needed for the massive faith project.

In his trademark way Buchan peppered yesterday's meeting with loud exclamations of “Amen” – and the audience roared back in a similar way.

On the premise that has been raised by some that God was angry with Cape Town', Buchan repeatedly said that God was however not punishing people but merely wanted to get their attention.

Referring to his training as a farmer in semi-desert arid

conditions in Australia, he recalled how the owner of a 50 X 50 kilometere property had no way to gather his flock other than by turning off the taps. Within two days all the livestock would be at the farmhouse, he said.

### **Turning off the taps**

“God has just been turning off the taps to get our attention because nobody can go without water,” he said.

Buchan said gangsterism and violence were not the only issues that displeased God in Cape Town. Other issues included racial division and the extreme disparity between those with vast riches and those in abject poverty.

Responding to critics who cynically asked: “Does he [Buchan] think he is the weatherman?” – possibly referring to his remark during a prayer day in parliament on November 24 that the Cape Town dams would be full by the end of March – he said: “I am the weatherman’s son!”

During question time at a press conference before his meeting with leaders, he said that biblical abominations that have been curbing revival would be addressed.

Asked why he had not used the platform at the Bloemfontein prayer day to address the government’s negative attitude to Israel, he said at the time the government had not yet given notice of its intention to downgrade the status of its embassy in Israel.

Responding to comments about alleged disunity among churches in Cape Town, he said there will be a focus on promoting unity among Christian leaders and that Christian radio stations CCFM and Tygerberg would immediately start encouraing daily intercession for the March 24 event and for diving protection for Buchan and his family.

Noting that the need for water was a great equaliser, Buchan said he expected people from other faiths would attend the

prayer event that has been called by Jesus.

### **Logistic arrangements**

He said 18 playing fields were being prepared for the event. Secure parking would be available at 20 schools in the area but to minimise traffic congestion churches were encouraged to mobilise their members to make use of the Golden Arrow bus service which had agreed to make coaches available at cost price for the gathering. They can be contacted at [charterhire@gabs.co.za](mailto:charterhire@gabs.co.za) or 021 937 8800

Only toilet facilities will be provided at the venue. All those attending must bring their own food and water. Strict measures will be in place to ensure that no municipal water is used. Water will be brought in from other parts of South Africa and all visitors are requested to bring their own drinking water, chairs, food and sunblock. Parents with small children are advised to write their cellphone number on the arm of their children. No gazebos, beach umbrellas or drones will be allowed.

More than 2 000 volunteers will assist security companies, the Metro Police, and South African Police Service on the day. All visitors will receive clear directions to specially allocated parking bays. Arrangements with local schools and organisations in the area have been made. All parking bays are within a 5 km radius of the venue.

For more information about the It's Time gathering and to book free parking tickets visit [www.angusbuchan.co.za](http://www.angusbuchan.co.za). Keep up to date by following It's Time at Facebook: @uncle angus , Twitter: @angusbuchan , and Instagram: @angusbuchan

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# **Man cancels bone marrow transplant operation to attend 'It's Time' prayer day [VIDEO]**

**'I want to encourage you to come at all costs' – Angus Buchan**

Watch the video clip below in which Angus Buchan urges Christians who are undecided about attending the 'It's Time' national prayer day in Bloemfontein on Saturday (April 22 2017) to go. He says he has never been so outspoken about any meeting in his life and that he firmly believes the event is a "God thing and was nothing to do with me". Sharing testimonies about the support for the event which he believes will bring more than a million people together to pray for South Africa in one place, he says a man who was scheduled to have a bone marrow transplant has cancelled the operation in order to attend the historic prayer event – and is trusting that Jesus Christ will heal him there.

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## **Countdown to the 'biggest prayer gathering in South Africa's history'**



The organisers of the It's Time event, expected to be the biggest prayer event ever to be held in South Africa, has launched a traffic plan to effectively manage the hundreds of thousands of cars and buses expected to travel to Bloemfontein on Saturday April 22.

Thousands of South Africans from across the country have already indicated that they are travelling to the Free State to attend this National Day of Prayer, to be held on the farm Wilde Als, four kilometres outside of Bloemfontein.

On social media, the initiative has attracted massive reaction. During the past seven days, posts on social media platforms, had a reach of 24 million people. In the first seven days of the campaign, the reach was 18 million.

Shortly after farmer evangelist Angus Buchan made the announcement about the event, 17 farmers came forward and made their land available to be used for the prayer day. People are asked to bring their own food and water. They can also camp on various farms close to the venue.

2 000 hectares of land have already been prepared for the



influx of people. 25 tractors baled 100 hectares a day. 450 hectares have been baled into 2 000 bales for people to sit on. People are asked to bring their own chairs with.)

To help with traffic flow, people must book a parking ticket, at no cost, on [www.itickets.co.za](http://www.itickets.co.za). Different parking areas are allocated to the various routes leading into Bloemfontein. There are 10 access routes to the farms – two for travellers from Gauteng, one each for the Eastern Cape, KwaZulu-Natal and Bloemfontein, three for the Western Cape, and two routes for motorists travelling from the Northern Cape. Motorists from the different provinces are asked to only travel on the routes as indicated for their province. This will help for traffic to be better managed.

### **Many miracles**

Many miracles have happened since operations were started to prepare the land at the It's Time venue. At one stage a group of farmers donated 800 litres of diesel for the tractors used to cut the grass. Amazingly the diesel only ran out after the last of the 20 tractors, taking 60 litres each, was filled.

After a meeting where the need for toilet paper was discussed and prayed for, one of the team members received a phone call as they stepped out of the meeting by somebody wanting to donate 30 000 toilet rolls, the exact number that was needed.

Five thousand volunteers, mostly young people and students, have offered to help with the sick and infirm, as well as the elderly, who would need assistance.

The medical services needed at the event, including doctors, paramedics, nurses and ambulances, were budgeted at R3 million, but local doctors from Bloemfontein are offering their services for free.

The vision for the event was born after Buchan received a video from a concerned citizen calling on him as a Christian leader to get Christians together in one place and pray to God

to save the nation. God gave Buchan two words – “It’s Time” and “One Million”.

Buchan says it is imperative that people come to the It’s Time event to pray for justice, peace and hope in South Africa.

“It is not good enough to just go to your house and pray with your family. We need to come together as a nation and we need to seek the Lord together. God is calling us to draw a line in the sand and say devil no further than this. He answers prayer.”

It’s Time is for all South-Africans of all races and irrespective of political affiliation that stand for justice, peace & hope in South-Africa.

Visit [www.angusbuchan.co.za](http://www.angusbuchan.co.za).its time or [www.itickets.co.za](http://www.itickets.co.za) for more information.

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**Many generous, helping hands  
preparing way for ‘It’s Time’  
prayer day near Bloemfontein**



Preparations for the It's Time national prayer day on April 22.

Farmers and volunteers are pitching in to help with the mammoth task of preparing the "It's Time" prayer venue and surrounds near Bloemfontein to cope with an anticipated million people at the event on Saturday April 22, report the organisers.

Nearly 10 000ha of land has been cut, raked and baled to prepare the event area and parking. Farmers from many kilometres away have lent tractors to help with the land preparation and baling.

New farm roads have been opened and widened to ease traffic flow. More than 8 000 litres of diesel has already been donated to, and used by the farmers in land preparation.



One farmer brought his two tractors

all the way from Bethlehem to bale  
grass.

More than 5 000 volunteers will be directing and parking traffic. Businessmen have donated litres of fuel, while others have donated toilet paper, generators and many other resources. Almost 700 portable toilets have been provided along with teams and trucks to service them.

“We would like to encourage everyone to come camp. It is going to be a nation changing weekend!” says Shalom Ministires in a media update.

“Camping areas will be made available close to the meeting area – campers should come completely self- sufficient.

“An appeal is being made to all attendees that are able to camp to arrive from Thursday onwards, as roads will be unable to accommodate expected traffic on the day. Please follow our social media platforms (<http://angusbuchan.co.za/its-time/> , <https://www.facebook.com/UncleAngus> ) for details. Remember to bring your own water, drinks and food.

“Many folk have paid out of their own pockets for banners to be made and erected them all over the country. God is doing this for our nation.

“All these details on travel routes, parking, buses, GPS co-ordinates, camping, and care for those who are elderly or disabled will be sent out early next week.

“Please keep our team who are working around the clock to prepare this special place for us to come together, in your prayers. We are so excited for what our Lord Jesus is going to do on the 22nd April in our beloved country,” says Shalom.

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# 'It's time to embrace one another in Christ' – Angus Buchan



Alf James, right above, interviewing Angus Buchan, left above, just over a fortnight ahead of the "It's Time" national day of prayer at Bloemfontein where preparations are being made to cater for a million people praying together in one place.

It's time to stop pointing fingers, being disparaging, insulting or judgmental. It's time to acknowledge that we are all to blame for the state of the nation in some or other way, and it's time to embrace one another in Christ, according to Angus Buchan.

He has urged all South Africans to attend the "It's Time" national day of prayer gathering on a farm 4km outside of Bloemfontein on April 22.

"It's time to suit our actions to God's Word. We declare war

on the disregard for human life and unkindness. On April 22, we will be drawing a line in the sand," affirms the farmer-evangelist.

### **Day of prayer for all South Africans**

He says the day of prayer is intended for South Africans of all genders, races and denominations who are concerned about malice, hatred, violence, murder and corruption in the country.

*"Shall a nation be born at once?"* asks Uncle Angus referring to Isaiah 66:8.

"Can a nation be changed in a day?

"Of course it can, the answer is a definite yes!

"It can be changed when we submit as a nation in one place at one time in prayer to the living God, because the Lord has His hand on this nation.

"He wants this nation to succeed, but an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth will not help at all.

"So, we are going to Bloemfontein, you and I, to seek the face of God and to ask the Lord Jesus Christ to intervene on our behalf, because outside of that this country has no hope," he says.

"It's Time" comes at a moment of great division, uncertainty, confusion, and negativity in all sectors of South African society.

"We have a visionless, leaderless, hopeless situation that is spreading through the nation. However, we must take courage and be inspired by Esther 4:14 *Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this,*" reassures Uncle Angus.

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## The planting of the "It's Time" seed

He says the seed for the "It's Time" prayer gathering was planted when a Whatsapp video did the rounds with a desperate outcry for Buchan or any other spiritual leader in South Africa to call for a prayer intervention and arrange such an event.

When Uncle Angus replied by posting a video on social media, he received 1.8 million responses within hours and after his first video was posted, more than 18 million people responded within two weeks.

"I was sitting in my quiet-time room minding my own business on that eventful morning, only about six weeks ago, when the Lord invaded the room like a tsunami and changed all my plans," explains Uncle Angus laughing.

"All my preaching plans had been arranged until December, but that is how the Lord works.

"The call to prayer on April 22nd is a move of God, it is not a man's idea or a good idea, God has invaded us, not just me, but the nation.

"Normally it takes about a year to organise and arrange an event such as this, but this has happened in six weeks.

"It's Time is God's work.

"It has been miraculous and it seems our need to unite and humble ourselves before the Lord in prayer has been magnified in recent weeks.

"Anybody that was undecided a week ago is no longer in two minds, but is certain.

"God is calling His people back He is making it crystal clear.

“God is going to relieve us from slavery, fear, depression, anxiety, stress, hatred, unforgiveness, racism, corruption, disregard for human life, murder, rape, and abortion.”

### **An absolute urgency**

There is an absolute urgency, according to Uncle Angus.

“I am telling people they cannot afford, but to be there. They have to be there, there is no other hope besides a move of God.

“Just the other day the Lord impressed on me that we have to be Jesus and express His love gentleness, kindness, and forgiveness.

“We have to express meekness, which is controlled strength. We have to be different to the world.

“On April 22nd we will be praying positively rather than in rebuke or blame.

“I will not be speaking about politics, I will be speaking about the power of a miracle working God.

“We are going to a positive prayer meeting in Bloemfontein. We are going to speak to a reigning, ruling God and we are going to ask Him to come down from heaven and visit us.

“We will not just be addressing prayer from a national standpoint, but we will be praying individually for people with problems with addiction, for people who have been through abortion, broken marriages, people that are sick, and people that are demonised.

“We are meeting on a farm called Wilde Als, which means wild

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aloe, that has a lot of medicinal values and God has shown me that people will be healed on that day without anybody anointing them or laying hands on them, because His presence is going to be so strong.

“His Word tells us to cast our cares upon Him, for He cares for us.

“I really believe that on that day people are going to be set free, healed physically, spiritually and mentally.

“It is going to be a great day!”

### **Promoting unity**

Uncle Angus is convinced that so many people coming together in agreement will promote unity in the country.

“Our country is totally split at the moment right from the top to the bottom and I want to say that we need to put our petty differences aside and come together as the children of God in agreement, asking Him to intervene on our behalf.

**“We are calling on the living God to intervene on our behalf and He is more than willing, he is just waiting for His people to come together before Him.” – Angus Buchan**

“Where there is no unity there is no blessing, but where there is unity God commands a blessing.”

Uncle Angus says although it is a season of uncertainty in South Africa, it is vital that children of God walk as light in the dark and shine for Christ.

“We must be different from the world; we must be distinct from those around us by reflecting Christ.

“They say it takes a dead fish to flow with the current, but we must be alive in Christ, we must reflect God’s ways.

“We need to spend time with the Lord, repent and make sure there is nothing in our own lives that will inhibit the moving

of the Holy Spirit, because the Holy Spirit is going to move through people.

“It is going to be an orderly meeting, but we are going to give the Holy Spirit as much time as He needs to minister to us as a nation.

“When men pray God works and we will see the biggest move of God this nation has seen.

“I am anticipating what God is going to do on April 22 with great excitement.”

### **Prepare yourself for the presence of our Father**

Uncle Angus encourages us to spend more time in the presence of our Father and more time in prayer between now and April 22nd to prepare ourselves for a meeting with the Living God.

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“We have to be ready, by humbling ourselves before the Lord and contemplating what God has done for us in Christ.

“Easter falls before the ‘It’s Time’ gathering, which is perfect, we can spend time appreciating that where there is no crucifixion, there is no resurrection.

“We need to keep our eyes fixed on the author and finisher of our faith.

“I would really encourage South Africans to prepare themselves for the greatest miracle they will ever see in their entire lives.

“We are calling on the living God to intervene on our behalf and He is more than willing, He is just waiting for His people to come together before Him.

“This is not a case of, if we feel like it, this is a case of, if you are getting married on that day postpone your wedding, cancel that fishing or hunting trip.

“A lady phoned the other day and told us that she is bringing her daughter back from New Zealand, just for this prayer meeting, busses are coming from Namibia.”

Meanwhile, preparations on the farm outside Bloemfontein to accommodate a million people are under way.

All indications are that “It’s Time” will be the largest day of prayer in the history of South Africa.

It will be a day event from 10:00 to 16:00. Uncle Angus is expected to address the gathering from 12:00 onwards.

“April 22nd will be a day much talked about by generations to come. Be part of the future and come and join us in prayer,” he urges.

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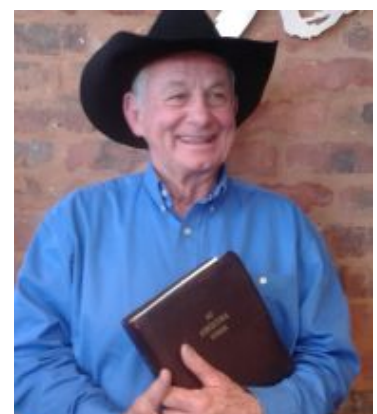
## **Camping booking opens for ‘It’s Time’ national prayer day event**



Farmers near Bloemfontein have made land available for camping for multitudes of people expected to attend the 'It's Time' national day of prayer on Wilde Als farm 4km outside the city on April 22.

Camping tickets costing from R100 to R150 per person – and free parking tickets – can be booked online at <https://itickets.co.za/events/378763.html>

Farmer evangelist Angus Buchan who called the prayer day and is believing God for more than a million South Africans to attend, said it would normally take his team two years to organise such a big event but they had only a few weeks to pull it off.



Angus Buchan addresses a press conference in Preoria on Monday.

Addressing a press conference in Pretoria on Wednesday – one of several media briefings he gave this week – he said he had heard the Lord very clearly telling him to arrange such an event and felt that it was urgent to organise it as soon as possible because of the critical state of the nation.

He appealed to Christians throughout South Africa to come together in Bloemfontein to pray against corruption, violence, racism and social ills that were on the increase in South Africa.

The prayer event will be from 10am to 4pm. Buchan is expected to address the gathering from 12 noon. Available accommodation in Bloemfontein is expected to be snapped up fast and hence tent and caravan stands have been arranged on nearby farms.

### **Camping guidelines**

According to an announcement on Buchan's facebook page, the camp sites will only be available from Friday to Sunday – only to people with camping tickets. The announcement says campers should bring camping and sleeping equipment, their own showering facilities, portable/camping toilets, plastic refuse bags which should be taken with them when they leave, drinking and washing water, and medical supplies. The notice says hunting and off-roading is not allowed, trailers and caravans may not be brought to the prayer event grounds but should be left at the camp grounds until after the event.

Buchan told the press conference that at the prayer venue itself, only toilet facilities will be provided. One thousand toilets were needed and 700 had already been donated. Prayers would have to bring their own food and water and camp chairs or blankets.

### **Audiovisual stations**

There would be 27 audiovisual stations at the prayer venue so that everybody could follow proceedings, Buchan said.

“Everyone will have the opportunity to pray individually to

God for this country, for our president, for the cabinet, for the nation, for the young people, for immorality, for violence, hunger –everything.

“But it will be done in an orderly manner. There will be no politician. Every single politician has been invited. No politician will stand on that platform. No church group will stand on that platform. That day Jesus Christ is going to be supreme.

“All the music will only be done in English. People are going to be healed that day. I will not pray for them. They will be healed in their seats. They will be healed of fear. Fear is going to go. Anxiety, stress is going to go. ”

He said there would be no charge for the event and no collection would be taken. The projected cost of the event was R15-million.

Buchan said there would be no live-streaming of the prayer day.

“God gave us a directive to come and pray together. We can all pray in our houses. God said ‘Come together in one place, in one time.’ The point is, God is calling His people.”

### **Transport plans**

Speaking about transport plans, Buchan said trains would be coming from Cape Town to Bloemfontein. Some were expected to arrive on April 19.

Around 380 000 cars were expected to be parked in designated parking areas. The South African Police Service would guard the prayer venue.

Appealing to South African Christians to be part of potentially the largest prayer day in South African history, Buchan said there would not be any international speakers or musicians. A local group would lead the worship.

“It [The It’s Time prayer day] is for all people. All denominations! All creeds! All colours! All ages! All genders. It is for everyone.

“My dear friends, I appeal to you now. We really need, as Christians, to stand up in South Africa. We have got to stand up and be counted. I’m talking about white South Africans, black South Africans, coloured South Africans and Indian South Africans.

### **Challenged**

“I want to be honest with you. I am quite challenged to put it mildly, because I know God is going to do something but it is going to cost us, each of us and every single one of us – farmers; farm workers, businessmen, miners, sportsmen, students, the housewife, the old granny, every single one of us.

“When we stand up as one people, God will change the paradigm and the dimensions of this country.” Buchan said.

Referring to horrific murders that were taking place – not only amongst white farmers but amongst black farmers and black and white citizens – he said it was time that Christians took a stand.

He also expressed concern about the rape and the abuse of women and children – especially black women and children. Nobody seemed to be saying anything about the rape and abuse, he said.

“If God can bring rain, God can also stop the violence, but there needs to be a change of heart especially amongst believers. Only Jesus Christ can save this nation and He will save it if people call on Him,” Buchan said.

### **‘Last chance’**

He said he really believed the national prayer gathering was the last chance to bring normality back to South Africa. He

urged people to cancel all their meetings and engagements on Saturday April 22 and to travel to Bloemfontein to pray together.

In a comment posted below [last week's prayer day report](#) in Gateway News, a reader who attended a leaders' briefing session with Buchan gives some insight into the scale of the event. He writes: "Hi almal, ons was vandag as n groep leiers by mekaar by n inligting sessie van Angus Buchan omtrent die IT'S TIME Nasionale gebed wat op 22 April 2017 op n plaas naby Bloemfontein plaasvind. Dit is duidelik dat die omvang van die hele event so groot is dat dit net deur ons Almagtige God kan gebeur. Tot op hede is daar al meer as 18miljoen comments in twee weke op social media oor die hele event, wat dit seker die meeste maak wat al ooit vir enige iets in Suid Afrika was. Party negatief maar meeste positief. Voorspellings toon dat daar baie meer as n miljoen gelowiges by mekaar gaan kom. Daar gaan meer as 350 000 voertuie wees. Meer as 700 toilette is reeds beskikbaar gestel en daar het vandag n persoon onderneem om nog n klomp te gee. Honey Sucker trokke sal omtrent 600 000 liter sewer moet weg neem. Die area waar almal by mekaar kom om te sit is 2km lank by n half km breed. Al die busse in en om Durban is reeds uitgeboek om mense aan te ry. Daar is reeds n trein wat van Kaapstad af loop net vir die event. Van die boere in die omgewing gaan hul grond beskikbaar maak vir mense om te kamp. Kaartjies kan bespreek word op i-tickets. God is Groot! Ons eer Sy Naam. NB! Die tyd vir die event het verander om 12:00pm te begin en 14:00pm af te sluit. Dus moet ons beplan om baie vroeër daar aan te kom. Oom Angus sê dit is om mense die geleendheid te gee om voor donker in die pad te kom terug huis toe. Kom ons kom as gelowiges by mekaar om God se aangesig te soek. Blessings!"

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# Bloemfontein National Prayer Day logisitc details will be shared as soon as possible

*VIEW ABOVE: The latest message from Angus Buchan on the 'It's Time' national day of prayer*

Many people who want to be on Wilde Als farm near Bloemfontein on Saturday April 22 2017 to be part of a vision of gathering over a million Christians to pray together at one place are asking the event organisers, Shalom Ministry, for information about camping, parking and other practical details.

Other than confirming that camping facilities will be available in the area, the Shalom Team are urging people to be patient for a little while longer as they finalise arrangements for the huge event which farmer evangelist Angus Buchan called for three weeks ago.

## **Mammoth task**

A spokesman for Shalom said to Gateway News this week: "Please understand this is a mammoth task to organise and we just don't want to put out incorrect info and have to retract it. We are hoping that within the next few days things will be confirmed and with that all the information will be readily available for everyone from what to bring along, to parking logistics and camping etc."

And in an [update](#) posted on the Angus Buchan facebook page this week, Clive Tedder and the Shalom team, provide a similar assurance that the details that everybody wants will be made available soon,

"We are aware that many of you are requesting more information with regards to the It's Time event. Please be sure that we

are working together with the following organisations for the most workable solution for camping.

- “- Disaster Management
- National Roads
- Traffic Authorities
- Bloemfontein Municipality

“Please be assured that our team will inform you as soon as possible of all options that will be made available for you. We appreciate your patience in this.”

The post calls for prayer for the event.

In a video message released on Monday (See top of page) Buchan says he has never been so challenged or excited.

### **Directive from God**

“You need to be there. I know in my heart it’s a directive from God,” he says to Christians in South Africa.

He says the event will not be livestreamed because God is not calling people to pray at home but to pray together in one place.

“You say Angus, it’s going to be inconvenient for me. Of course it is – it’s inconvenient for me as well. John Chapter 12, Verse 24: ‘Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies it abides alone but if it dies it bears much grain’.

“We have got to go the extra mile. My dear friends, this is a critical time in our nation. We need to be together in one place at one time.”

He urges people to consider sponsoring buses and helping poor people to get to the prayer day.

Updates on event news and arrangements are being posted on the Angus Buchan Facebook page.

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# It's time to stand up, believe and pray

Monthly Word  
from ANGUS BUCHAN

A monthly column by farmer, preacher and writer for  
Jesus, Angus Buchan



Like never before, in my entire preaching ministry, have I been so excited, so challenged and so fearful as I am at this present moment.

The Lord has given us a mandate. He says: "It's time." You might ask, time for what? It's time to mend our fences, it's time to mend the nets, it's time to repair broken relationships, it's time to say sorry, it's time to say to the devil "This far and no further." Yes, it's time!

## **It's time for the believer to stand up**

I am seeing a hunger for the truth of the Word of God more and

more at this moment. People are desperate for answers, because they have tried every other solution, and way, but none of them have worked. They are at the end of their tether. It's time for the believer to stand up and show the way. Isaiah 30:21 says *This is the way, walk in it.*

John 4:35 says: *Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!* It's time to reap the harvest! I don't think you have to be a prophet to see the signs of the times. We are entering into the last days for sure.

### **It's time to stop procrastinating**

Joel 3:14 says: *Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.* People want to know the answer and we have the answer. His name is Jesus Christ! *I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me* (John 14:6). So we need to stop putting things off for tomorrow. Remember "Khusasa," as we say in Zulu means tomorrow, but we also know that the road that leads to hell is paved with good intentions. Don't procrastinate. Don't put off for tomorrow what you can do today. This is the day of salvation.

Like never before, have I been so excited about what is coming up shortly. The Mighty Men Bushveld event will be taking place at the end of this week. Easter is coming up soon and the Mighty Men Karoo at the end of April. Then of course on April 22 we will have one million people together in one place, 4 km North of Bloemfontein for a prayer meeting. We are believing that the power of Jesus Christ is going to come down so strongly that the people might not even be able to stand.



We are talking about a group of people numbering almost the same as the Israelites that were taken out of slavery in Egypt by God.

**It's time for God's presence to come down**

We are believing for the same miracle. People who are caught in the slavery of addiction, fear, distress and anxiety will be set free without anyone laying hands upon them, or anointing them with oil, but it will be the presence of God coming down upon one million praying-people that will cause the captives to be set free.

It is indeed time! I would exhort you with all my heart to make every effort to be at this meeting which will take place at Wilde Als (Wild Aloe) farm because God wants to deal with His people. He wants to set us free from slavery to the devil. The devil has got too many people in chains of depression, anger, unforgiveness, and hatred. I really believe that on April 22 the Lord will set us free and that will also cause us to be healed from physical sickness and disease. Remember: when men work, they work, but when men pray, God works.

The theme is prayer and the Scripture reference is James 5:16 (NKJV), *The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man (or women) avails much.*

God bless you

Angus Buchan

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**Team working flat-out to**

# arrange “It’s Time” prayer gathering outside Bloemfontein



Angus Buchan calling on South Africans to participate in a national day of prayer [PHOTO: Video screenshot]

Farmers in the Bloemfontein area have offered approximately 800ha of land just 4km from the city centre for staging a national day of prayer for an envisaged one million people from all over South Africa, says the event visionary Angus Buchan.

The organisers, who are facing a huge demand for logistical information from people from all over South Africa who are eager to be part of the prayer gathering on April 22, are working round the clock to arrange the event and details will be shared as soon as they are confirmed, a spokesman for Shalom Ministries said today. Details will be published on Buchan’s social media websites and on Gateway News.

“Accommodation is being arranged for those travelling from far, details will be confirmed and sent out closer to the

time,” the Shalom spokesman said.

She said the name of the farm, as well as directions and GPS coordinates would be confirmed closer to the time and requested Gateway News not to publish details until they were officially released.

### **Very challenged**

In a bulletin on the background to the “It’s Time” event, Buchan says he was very challenged by a viral video clip in which a middle-aged farmer urged him to call the nation to pray for peace in South Africa.

“I was very challenged by his passionate plea and could not shake it off. Early the next morning, while going for a run, I felt the Holy Spirit speak two things into my heart: 1. ‘It’s Time 2. One million people’.

“I posted these two words on our social media sites. Within a few hours, thousands upon thousands of positive responses were made from all over the country. Our nation is in a very troubled time and people are desperate for change. A change only our Lord Jesus Christ can bring,” Buchan says.

He says Bloemfontein was chosen for the venue because it is the centre, or the heart, of the nation.

He says: “And we are asking God to change the heart of our beloved nation, beginning with our own hearts.

“The purpose of this meeting will be to call upon the Lord Jesus Christ. We want to see an end to the senseless murder, rape, corruption and total disregard of human life in which every man is a law unto himself.

“We are calling one million people to attend: from every race group, every denomination and every walk of life – men, women and children. The entrance is free, no tickets will be sold, and no collections will be taken at the event.

“Our scripture for this event is found in James 5:16 (NKJV): ‘Confess your trespasses[a] to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.’

“We firmly believe that if our Nation stands together as one, and calls upon the Name of Jesus Christ, He will hear us and heal our nation and bring peace to our hearts and homes.” info for you.

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# Unity in Christ is key to national prayer day against violence and crime



ALF JAMES writes that at the very heart of a call to South Africans to gather on a farm near Bloemfontein to pray against violence and crime in our nation is a call for believers to come together not as blacks or



**whites, rich or poor, or a language group – but as brothers and sisters in Christ united by His love.**

The love of God for man manifested in the sacrifice of His only begotten Son to save us sinners by the washing away of our iniquities with His innocent blood is the love that we are called to extend to our fellow believers no matter their race, gender, culture, class, language, tribe, nationality, or denomination.

It is this love of God for Jesus and for us that unites and defines us – we are first and foremost brothers and sisters in Christ, not white or black, rich or poor, Afrikaans or Xhosa, English or Zulu – we are first and last children of God.

### **National day of prayer against violent crime**

It is in the power of this unifying love of Christ that we are called to a [National Day of Prayer](#) against violent crime by Angus Buchan on April 22, for without being of one accord in one place, unified by the love of Christ and praying in His name in faith, our prayers will not result in God's will being done according to our supplications.

The importance Jesus places on His love for us and our love for each other is revealed in His expression of it as a directive: *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: as I have loved you, that you also love one another* (John 13:34) and His emphasis of it by restatement in John 15:12 *This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.*

**“Their life of love is the chief evidence of Christianity, the proof to the world that God sent Christ and that He has shed abroad in them the same love with which He loved Christ.” – Andrew Murray**

According to Andrew Murray in his book *Abide in Christ*, this love of Jesus is the great evidence of the reality of the new covenant, of the power of the new life revealed in Christ.

He says it is the one convincing and indisputable token of discipleship: *By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another (John 13:35).*"

Murray says that in our daily dealings with one another, Christians are making a display to God, to angels and to men; and in the Christlikeness of our love for each other, we are to prove what kind of spirit we are made of.

"Amid all diversity of character or of creed, of language or of station, they are to prove that love has made them members of one body, and of each other and has taught them to forget and sacrifice self for the sake of the other.

"Their life of love is the chief evidence of Christianity, the proof to the world that God sent Christ and that He has shed abroad in them the same love with which He loved Christ.

**"It is only through a spiritual transformation that we can be the light of the world in the area of reconciliation and show the way of freedom in Christ." – Rev Moss Ntlha**

"Of all the evidence of Christianity, this is the mightiest and most convincing," says Murray.

### **Called to display unifying love of Christ**

This unifying love of Christ and presence of the Holy Spirit that was displayed in the first Christian Church of Acts, is the love that we are called on to display at the National Day of Prayer against violent crime and thereafter.

Although living under the persecution of the Sanhedrin after Jesus' resurrection, the followers of Christ in Acts were of one accord and continued to witness boldly and minister powerfully among the people performing many signs and wonders.

We are told in Acts 2:44-46 that, *... all who believed were together, and had all things in common, and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone*

*had need. So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those were being saved.*

If the body of Christ is to act in the same power as the first Christian Church of Acts then it is requisite of us to be together in one accord as followers of Christ on April 22 with the same emphasis on being brothers and sisters sharing responsibility for each other in Christ as the Church of Acts did.

**“I am saying to you that God is calling us to draw a line in the sand and say, ‘Devil, no further than this’.” – Angus Buchan**

Reverend Moss Ntlha, General Secretary of the Evangelical Alliance of South Africa agrees that it is only by uniting in Christ that South Africans will rise above the divisions of race, class, tribe, and language, and overcome violence in our land.

“Christians of different races, classes, nationalities and ethnicities are invited by Christ to deepen their sense of who they are in Him, which is a very deep Christian calling.

“It is only through a spiritual transformation that we can be the light of the world in the area of reconciliation and show the way of freedom in Christ,” says Ntlha.

He urges South Africans to come together in prayer as brothers and sisters in Christ and not as black, white, coloured and Indian citizens.

### **South African Christians stand up and be counted**

Likewise, in his message calling for the National Day of Prayer

**“I am addressing the horrific murders that are**

Uncle Angus said he had heard from the Lord that: "It's time ... we really need to get together ... we really need, as Christians, to stand up in South Africa and be counted".

"I am talking about white South Africans, black South Africans, coloured South Africans and Indian South Africans.

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"I am addressing the horrific murders that are taking place, not only among white farmers, but among black farmers, among black and white citizens. I am very concerned about the rape and abuse of women and children, especially black women and children."

The Mighty Men Conference founder said if we do not stand up and come against the powers of darkness through collective prayer, we are going to reap the whirlwind.

"Only Jesus Christ can save this nation and He will save it if His people call upon Him."

Uncle Angus emphasised that we need to come together to seek the Lord: "I am talking about farmers, I am talking about workers, I am talking about businessmen and miners, I am talking about sportsmen, students and housewives ... when we stand up united as one people God will change the paradigm and dimensions of this country".

The unity that Uncle Angus calls for can only be brought about in Christ, not in race, language, class, nationalism or any other

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reason and without unity among Christians we will achieve little and go nowhere, but through repentance and united prayer in faith God will change the nation to His ways.

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### **Intentionally extending prayers into actions**

However, Ntlha cautions that while prayer is a powerful mechanism to resist and overcome the demons of xenophobia, tribalism, racism, and classism, we must intentionally and consciously extend our prayers into actions.

"We need to go beyond prayer to resist through our actions at a personal level," says Ntlha.

"The demons that we face must be resisted both in prayer and actions. For example, if we want to cast out demons then we have to actively command them to go in Jesus' name, in faith, and not only pray to God to remove the demons.

"We can't merely pray then leave everything to God. Our prayers have to be active; we have to become God's prayer instruments.

"We need to cooperate with God through prayers of engagement rather than leaving it all up to God through prayers of disengagement," he says.

**"We need to go beyond prayer to resist through our actions at a personal level." – Rev Moss Ntlha**

We are called on as followers of Jesus Christ to unite in one place as one body in prayer against violence in South Africa on April 22, but then when we leave the gathering it is up to us to remain united in spirit and to persevere in that prayer

extending it into the rest of the country through our words  
and deeds.