



MORAL SUMMIT 1992

CREATING A CULTURE OF NON VIOLENCE & PEACE IN THE WORLD BY 2010

In 1996, following upon the successful moral summit of the National Religious Leaders Forum, which includes religious leaders from all faith communities, and the creation of the **UBUNTU Pledge** and the Code of Conduct, WCRP took up the call to ask every individual in KZN to sign the UBUNTU Pledge as part of their contribution to creating a culture of peace and Non Violence in the world.

This is directly related to the **UN call for a Decade of Peace**, as well as working towards the **8 Millenium Development Goals**, signed by the world's leaders at the UN Assembly in the 2000 General Assembly.

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We are also asking every organization to sign the **Code of Conduct**.

If every civil servant signed the pledge and every government organization had to sign the Code of Conduct and have it in a prominent place in their offices, perhaps there would not be so much corruption and the millions that are being defrauded could go towards alleviating the many problems that exist in our Province.

Peace begins with each one of us! We ALL need to take responsibility for it!

UBUNTU PLEDGE

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I SHALL TRY MY BEST TO: BE GOOD AND DO GOOD.

- I shall look on all other people as fellow human beings.
- I shall not condemn others, nor show prejudice to any regardless of race, religion or gender.

LIVE HONESTLY AND POSITIVELY.

- I recognise that our spiritual nature is dishonoured by practices such as bribery and corruption.
- I respect both public and private property, and shall not steal, nor accept or deal in stolen goods.
- I shall faithfully observe all traffic laws, and strive at all times to set a good example as a careful driver.

BE CONSIDERATE AND KIND.

- Every life is precious. I shall respect everyone's need for shelter and food, health and education, dignity and spiritual development.
- I shall reach out to at least one person who is hungry, hurt, lonely, disabled or in need. I shall reach out to at least one person who is hungry, hurt, lonely, disabled or in need.

CARE FOR MY SISTERS AND BROTHERS WITHIN THE HUMAN FAMILY.

- I shall respect the needs of others, and personally support the struggle against poverty by actions such as:
 - Giving regularly to those who have less than I have.
 - Sharing my skills with other people, and helping to train them.

RESPECT OTHER PEOPLE'S RIGHTS TO THEIR BELIEFS AND CULTURES.

- I shall respect the right of others to their religious beliefs and cultures, and to their political affiliation.
- I shall strongly build on the things that unite us, and shall seek common ground with my fellow citizens.

CARE FOR AND IMPROVE OUR COMMON ENVIRONMENT.

- I recognise that our environment can be damaged by me and my family, my work, my recreational pursuits and my attitudes. I shall become environment-conscious, and shall



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seek to improve the environment in some of the following ways:

- I shall avoid the spreading of litter both in private and in public.
- I shall promote and support the development of recycling as a national custom, and buy products which are least destructive of the environment.
- I accept responsibility for preserving our environment both for us and for future generations.

PROMOTE PEACE, HARMONY AND NON-VIOLENCE.

- I shall oppose all forms of violence and aggression.
- I shall at all times seek peace and peaceful solutions to any problems.

PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF SOUTH AFRICA AS A PATRIOTIC CITIZEN.

- I shall do my best to reduce and remedy the social problems threatening our freedom, which include racism, poverty, oppression, corruption, greed, violence and disregard for human life.
- I reject the practice of finding fault with, and blaming others. The ultimate responsibility rests with each and everyone of us.

We urge you to print the abbreviated pledge below and sign it as your commitment to making a better South Africa.

Keep it in your wallet.

Show others and encourage them to sign it!



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MY PLEDGE FOR A BETTER SOUTH AFRICA

I SHALL STRIVE TO:

- Be good and do good.
- Live honestly and positively.
- Be considerate and kind.
- Care for my sisters and brothers within the human family.
- Respect all people's rights to their beliefs and cultures.
- Care for and improve our common environment.
- Promote peace, harmony and non-violence
- Promote the welfare of my country as a patriotic citizen.

SIGNATURE

DATE:



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We, the members of

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Hereby affirm our commitment to the following
Code of Conduct

INTEGRITY

We shall conduct ourselves in such a way that our speech and acts are honest and trustworthy, and able to nurture a culture of truth and reliability.

INCORRUPTIBILITY

We will not accept any financial or other obligation to individuals or organizations which could lead us to act unethically in our duties and responsibilities.

GOOD FAITH

Recognising that there can be conflicts of interest, we accept the obligation to declare any personal interests which may affect the interests of those we serve.

IMPARTIALITY

In carrying out our duties, including making appointments, awarding contracts, grants, or recommending individuals for benefits, we will make fair choices which do not unduly or unjustly favour those with whom we have other ties.

OPENNESS

We will be transparent in my decisions and actions, and will withhold information which is in the public interest.

ACCOUNTABILITY

We recognize that we are accountable for our decisions and actions, and will submit to whatever scrutiny is appropriate.

JUSTICE

We will act justly, and promote the culture of respect for the law.

RESPECT

We will act in a way that promotes respect for all people regardless of their beliefs.

GENEROSITY

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In speech, attitudes and behaviour, We will seek to be generous and hospitable to others.

LEADERSHIP

We shall promote and support these principles, seeking to recommend by personal example and service the fundamental moral principles on which a successful community can be built and maintained.

This Code of Conduct was signed by all Councillors of the Ethekewini Council at Durban on the 7th February 2000.

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