

Letter from Chairperson of the Cathedral Student Ministry,

8 September 2019

Dear Cathedral family, Brothers and Sisters in Christ

My name is Theodore Orlando Duxbury, a PhD candidate in Pharmacy, chairperson of the Cathedral Student Ministry, Cathedral Parish Councillor and Lay Minister.

I am writing to you with reference to the Pilgrimage of Trust Taizé Conference in Cape Town from the 25th - 29th of September 2019. Several thousand young adults will gather from South Africa, other African countries and beyond in a Pilgrimage of Trust to celebrate Christ as a source of peace and true reconciliation, to pray, worship, to share in our faith, to interact with people from different cultures and to experience the Church as a ferment of unity and communion. This conference will be held in Cape Town and is open to anyone between the ages of 18 and 35 or youth leaders. It promises to be an experience of a lifetime!

Ten individuals from the Cathedral have expressed interest in attending the Conference. These are: Ayanda Dabengwa, Anelisa Kuhle Kelemi, Asandiswa Maphumahuma, Asakhe Cuntsulana, Kutlwano Tshekiso Kepadisa, Noxolo Kheswa, Tandiwe Gabavana, Sister Tsoaeli 'Neheng, Theodore Orlando Duxbury, Esther Mostert.

The registration fee of R250 has been paid for all ten individuals. The transport fees (return bus ticket from Grahamstown to Cape Town) have been calculated to be a minimum of R1000 per person. As most of our delegates are students, we humbly ask you as our church family if those who are willing and able would be kind enough to help us cover these costs.

Perhaps some of you might be willing to sponsor a student, and others to make a donation (no matter how small.) After both morning services on 8th and 15th September, there will be a retiring collection and all money collected will be shared amongst those who need financial assistance. Alternatively, donations can be brought to the parish office, or an EFT can be made into the Cathedral bank account clearly marked "Taize" (see bank details elsewhere in the pew leaflet).

There will be a Choir Concert on Saturday 14th September at 4pm in the Cathedral under the direction of Cameron Luke and Kepa. Invite your friends! Retiring collection for Taizé conference.

In addition, we are having a fundraising raffle - the prize being a Manicure from 'Inside Beauty' Salon in New Street Grahamstown/Makhanda worth R180. Tickets are only R10 and can be bought from me or through the parish office. The lucky draw will take place during the notices at the end of the 9.30am service on 15th September.

Thank you in anticipation for your support which is truly appreciated.