



#HOPE4SA 2024 ELECTION MANIFESTO

“Hope in Action”

RIGHTEOUS GOVERNANCE



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FOREWORD

Dear People of South Africa,

God has placed an excitement in my heart for the future of our country and, more importantly, our people.

#Hope4SA is about You... the citizen... the father... the mother... the young and the old!

South Africa is OUR country, our land, and our people. The time for us is now, individually and corporately, to stand up, to choose, to vote, and be the difference we want to see.

#Hope4SA was birthed from the prayer and hearts of devoted Christians, who are not politicians; men who came together from all walks of life, with one heart and purpose, to save our country.

God, our creator, created our country, and we believe He has drawn a 'line in the sand' when it comes to the devastation, division, manipulation and control of His people, You and Us!

We invite you, the people of South Africa, to join us, to be a voice, to listen to your heart, your values and beliefs and to be part of the God-driven change that will catapult us into a new era of growth, safety, security and liberty, where we purpose to be One Nation under Almighty God!

JOHN MATHUHLE

CHIEF SERVANT LEADER

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OUR VISION

To lead South Africa out of darkness into the light through a righteous government. Unlocking a prosperous future where God is glorified.

Demonstrating true servant leadership that is accountable to the people and to God, with the ability to establish a flourishing and righteous nation. From merely a flame of hope in the hearts of South Africans, we become a beacon of light to the nations.

OUR MISSION

Achieving the incredible potential of South Africa as a nation, guided by biblical values and principles.

- Create new opportunities for all through an economy that is inclusive, productive and innovative.
- Establish a system of government that truly represents the people.
- Bringing communities together to achieve together through Ubuntu.
- Set Godly standards for governing South Africa and for bringing change in society.

#Hope4SA is more than a political party; it's a unifying force, bringing together diverse voices, ideas, and experiences to create a South Africa where every citizen thrives. We invite you to join us on this journey, to stand with us, and to be a part of the change our nation deserves.

Together, let's usher in an era of hope, progress, and prosperity for South Africa. Now is our time, and together, we rise.

THE HEARTBEAT OF #HOPE4SA

Devoted men of God had a vision, a vision to bring South Africa to a place of flourishing; where children play on the streets; where neighbours chat across the walls; where new innovations, inventions and plans to progress society and grow the economy for the benefit of all; where citizens are proud of their homes and communities, and support their churches, schools and societal gatherings; where leaders in the communities stand up and participate effectively in keeping their communities safe, secure and thriving through communal decisions, supported ideas and on-going improvements, backed by governing bodies in all spheres of society, local, provincial and national government.

Where Godly principles of purpose, authority, responsibility, stewardship, ownership, freedom, and success, which apply to all persons regardless of creed, colour or culture, brings true safety, security and liberty; where healthy families take authority to care and nurture Gods created and creation; where responsible leadership steward with endurance and resilience towards effective progress, resulting in freedom of life, religion, living, and earned successes.

#Hope4SA was born out of a dream, a desire, a purpose of a diverse group of people; people with a vision for Godly stewardship through servant leadership to 'stand in the gap' as a remnant before Almighty God. These servant leaders would facilitate salvation within our nation towards a life of true unity, prosperity, safety, security and liberty to all of God's creation. We, the people of #Hope4SA, feel called from the 'darkness' South Africa finds itself in, to usher in principles that will bring **H-O-P-E** through a culture of **H**ealing, appreciation for **O**rder, a desire for **P**urpose, and a passion to **E**xcel.

We choose to serve our fellow man, our neighbours, and our people, by using our diverse knowledge, talents and skills to be the change we need in South Africa.

THE HEARTBEAT OF #HOPE4SA *continued*

We are not politicians, but purpose-filled devoted children of God, servants, utilizing the political vehicle of #Hope4SA to usher in Godly governance based on biblical principles and sound family values.

We acknowledge that the greater fight is the battle between 'good' and 'evil', which causes division, confusion, destruction, skewed perceptions, anxiety, brokenness and ultimately emotional, spiritual, physical and intellectual death. We will be the voice of Truth, based on facts, that will set people free to make healthy choices, to rebuild our society, our economy and our country, thereby bringing true safety, security and liberty.

#Hope4SA is a diverse people that have their Hope in the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; people who are prepared to sacrifice their time and talents to be the salt and the light to a dying world.

We, as South Africans cannot afford another 5 years of devastation at all levels of Governance - Judicial, Executive and Legislative. We need to go back to the fact that all law originated from Gods law, bringing people to a Place of Hope, Peace, Safety, and Prosperity. The diagram on the next page depicts the biblical foundation on which our government is currently structured, but not fully aligned to.

#Hope4SA acknowledges that South Africa needs a miracle. We need to put God back on the throne, in order to have Godly wisdom, insight, knowledge, and understanding; positioning South Africa towards becoming a resounding success and a "Light to the Nations".

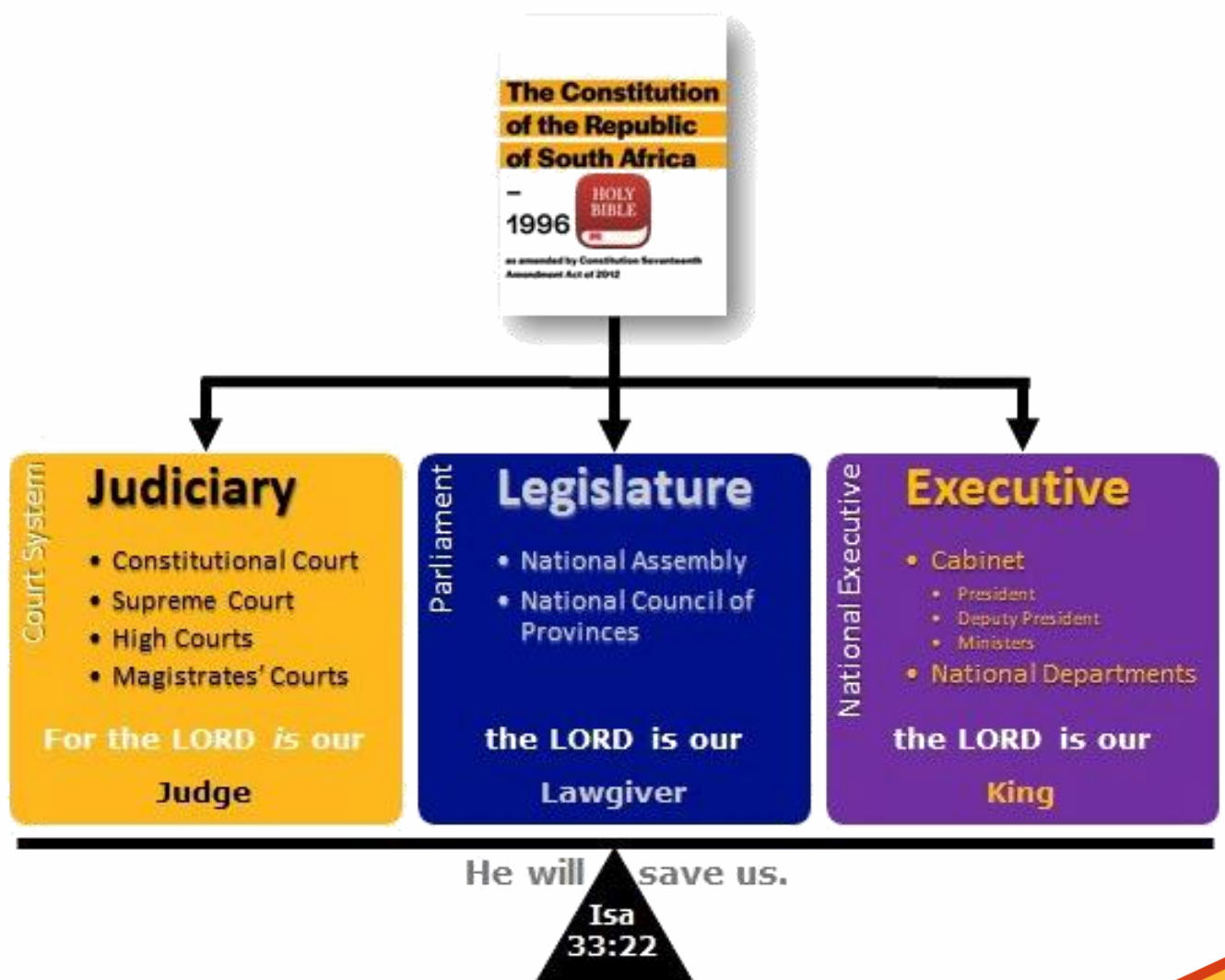
"He will be our God, and we will be His People"

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GIVING LIFE TO OUR CONSTITUTION

Restoring the Balance of Powers

by bringing Biblical Values to Parliament



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OUR POLICY PRIORITIES

1. STRENGTHEN GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Our present government is top-heavy and self-serving, instead of citizen focused. **#Hope4SA** will prioritize aligning the Constitution with Godly values, streamlining governmental structures as below:

- Professionalize government and government services by eliminating political interference and cadre deployment.
- Eliminate redundant units and/or departments and re-organize government ministries to cut down on operational and maintenance costs. Reduce the number of members and ministries in the cabinet from 30 to 8 “super-ministries”, based on a governmental value chain model, each of whom will be accountable for a number of inter-related departments, significantly reducing the over-inflated salary bill at ministerial level. Each department will still be under the administrative responsibility of a Director General (DG).
- Conduct skills audits through all government departments and reshuffle where needed.
- Reinforce and prioritise, as compulsory, the KPI assessment programme and Batho Pele principle (putting citizens first).
- Ministers in the cabinet should at least hold a degree or relevant experience in the field of the ministry they will be overseeing.
- Government officials must be paid well. Harsh consequence management must be introduced for any gross misconduct, corruption and fraud.
- Establish a functional entity, to strengthen and safeguard family values, thereby addressing the high rate of divorce, teenage pregnancy, child abuse, community violence and fatherlessness.
- Use modern technology to create transparent and immutable records of all government transactions, reducing the risk of corruption and ensuring accountability at all levels.
- Ensure that the lion’s share of all tax revenue collected is allocated to local government. The current average allocation for National Government is 50%, Provincial is 40%, and local government less than 10%. Funding for all community projects must be allocated at a municipal level, thereby reforming the tax system.
- Use innovative technology solutions to provide citizens with data insights to be able to track, and even specify to an extent, which projects and programs their individual tax moneys are funding.
- Institute electoral reform to move towards a direct constituency-based system.



2. FOSTER SOCIAL COHESION AND GRASSROOT-LEVEL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#Hope4SA will systematically bring positive change through change in **Social Processes, Values and Norms**, our **Education**, our **Social Services**, and **municipal services**.

- Prioritize support and funding for civil societies, religious institutions and community forums, who are helping government in addressing socioeconomic challenges in communities.
- Reform the welfare distribution system, by empowering and supporting religious institutions to take the leading role in the spiritual and moral reformation and regeneration of our society.
- Encourage an environment where communities can actively participate in their own affairs, by building a model of co-ownership and self-governance, through strong partnerships between the community and local government.
- Empower and support organisations that will serve the wellbeing of the family structure.
- Provide funding and resources for neighborhood watch programs and community policing forums.
- Review and reform the education system and empower communities to govern their own educational institutions, with less government control.
- Provide counseling and support services for victims of crime and their families to facilitate the healing process.
- Promote community resilience and disaster preparedness through public awareness campaigns, training initiatives, and community-based interventions.
- Improve the living conditions of informal settlements through asset-based community development.
- An effective land redemption strategy will be developed for the benefit of all citizens, while ensuring economic growth and food security.

3. ENFORCE RULE OF LAW AND ENSURE ACCESS TO JUSTICE

#Hope4SA will secure our Safety, Security, and Liberty through focus on routing out **Crime, and Corruption**, and ushering in market driven **Economic** principles as elaborated below:

- Institute religious and traditional courts within communities to self-regulate, involving traditional and religious leaders as the first level of intervention, to empower and involve the community in upholding the rule of law.
- Reintroduce a gap year of compulsory national service to foster discipline, life skills, patriotism, for all matriculants and technical students.
- Introduce skills development programmes focusing on life and vocational skills, for inmates and juvenile delinquents.
- Professionalize and capacitate the police services in South Africa, through a comprehensive review, training and development of human capital, systems and equipment, culminating in effective and sufficient resource implementation.
- Take a tough stance on illegal land invasions, particularly on economically viable land parcels, while ensuring alternative housing for citizens, while deporting illegal immigrants not adding economic value, following due process.
- Ensure that appropriate punitive measures will fit the severity of the crime committed.



4. EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE DELIVERY AND EFFECTIVE CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

- Strengthen and empower the unit office/managers/administrator to make administrative decisions to accelerate local service delivery.
- Allocate each ward its own budget to be administered in the unit office in accordance with the voice, needs and requirements of their communities.
- Empower the community through the ward committee to recall and remove the ward councilor if he or she fails to execute his or her responsibilities.
- Allow ward demarcation to be determined objectively, without political interference, taking into account resident's needs, as well as boundaries of suburbs and towns.
- Invest in a decentralized model to support service delivery and infrastructure development for local economic stimulation.
- Review our bylaws and licensing processes to strengthen by-law enforcement.
- Enable a collaborative relationship between all relevant stakeholders and the municipality for the benefit of both the consumer and service providers.
- Establish a country-wide engagement platform where citizens and residents can interact with government in a user-friendly and seamless manner, not only to report service delivery issues at local, district, provincial and national level, but also to provide input into policy and legislative matters, helping to let the voice of the people be heard. This will be a two-way communication platform, so that citizens can get feedback as well.



5. SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SHARED PROSPERITY

- Promote micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) through access to opportunities, finance, mentorship programs, markets, and government tenders.
- Develop targeted skills training programs to address unemployment and equip citizens for the jobs of the future, with a focus on digital literacy and entrepreneurship.
- Support innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystems through grants, business incubators, and technology hubs.
- Invest in infrastructure projects that stimulate local economic growth and create employment opportunities, with a focus on sustainable development.
- Foster regional economic integration and trade partnerships to diversify export markets, attract foreign investment, and create new opportunities for economic growth.
- Stimulate local economic activity by incentivizing investment in the township and rural economy (e.g. spaza shops), community-based businesses and initiatives, supporting local artisans, farmers, and entrepreneurs through local ownership, and thereby contributing towards an effective localization strategy.
- Encourage public-private partnerships for the development of local industries and value chains, enhancing economic resilience and fostering self-reliant communities.
- Facilitate access to markets for locally produced goods and services through promotional campaigns, market linkages, and trade fairs.
- Develop our manufacturing sector, by turning our natural capital into productive capital, through beneficiation of our natural resources, for substantial job creation.
- Support the growth of tourism and hospitality sectors by investing in infrastructure development, marketing initiatives, and cultural preservation efforts.
- Implement policies to reduce barriers to entry for small businesses and startups, including simplified regulatory processes, tax incentives, and access to affordable financing options.
- Ensure a reliable and good quality potable water and energy supply and an efficient road and rail network, by investing in critical infrastructure projects and scarce skills, to eliminate load shedding.

6. ROBUST SECURITY POSTURE AND FORMIDABLE DEFENCE FORCE

- Strengthen border security to prevent illegal migration, human trafficking, and transnational crime.
- Enhance intelligence-sharing and cooperation among law enforcement agencies, to combat organized crime and terrorism effectively.
- Invest in cybersecurity measures to protect critical infrastructure, safeguard citizens' data, and combat cyber threats.
- Capacitate our defense force to become a formidable force, that will not only be able to protect our country against foreign threats, but also to help rebuild our country from within, in times of peace.

7. RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP OF NATURAL RESOURCES

- Implement sustainable land management practices to conserve biodiversity, prevent deforestation, and protect ecosystems.
- Invest in clean or green energy projects to reduce pollution, and promote environmental and community health.
- Support sustainable agricultural practices such as agroforestry, organic farming, and regenerative agriculture, to preserve soil health, biodiversity, and water resources.
- Strengthen environmental regulations and enforcement mechanisms to prevent pollution, habitat destruction, and resource depletion.
- Promote community-based natural resource management initiatives, that empower local communities to protect and sustainably manage their resources for future generations.



8. MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND COLLABORATIVE DIPLOMACY

- Advocate for national sovereignty, democracy, and peacebuilding initiatives in international forums and multilateral organizations.
- Strengthen diplomatic ties with neighboring and SADC countries and other regional blocks to enhance security, stability, and economic cooperation.
- Support peacebuilding and conflict resolution efforts in conflict-affected regions through diplomatic engagement, humanitarian assistance, and peacekeeping missions.
- Promote South Africa as a destination for tourism, investment, and cultural exchange on the global stage, leveraging our natural beauty, cultural diversity, and economic potential.
- Collaborate with international partners to address global challenges such as epidemics, terrorism, and poverty, through coordinated action and shared solutions in line with best practices.
- Review all current trade agreements with foreign countries to the benefit of our citizens.



CONCLUSION

#Hope4SA commits to purposeful, dedicated servant leadership, focused on bringing Godly change to South Africa through strategic focus, organizational assessment, change and development, culminating in impactful socioeconomic transformation for our communities, our government, and society as a whole. We invite YOU to partner with us and amplify YOUR voice, to bring about RADICAL change.



VOTE #Hope4SA!

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JOHN MATUHLE

Chief Servant Leader

**When the righteous
are in authority, the
people rejoice; But
when a wicked man
rules, the people
groan.**

- Proverbs 29:2

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