

# New policy bans prayer at JST hospital

**Rustenburg** – A deeply dismayed and concerned Pastor in the city is demanding answers from the management of Job Shimankana Tabane (JST) hospital, a government owned institution, on why pastors may no longer pray for patients at the hospital.

This policy was implemented by JST's acting chief executive officer, doctor Bogosi Moagi on 19 July 2017.

Pastor Joseph Marume of the Word and Power Ministries this week paid a visit to a member of his congregation to pray for the child's health and was turned away by the night supervisor. He has been visiting and praying in the hospital on numerous occasions, after the date of prayer policy in 2017. This week was the first time Pastor Marume heard of the new regulation.

"No religious practitioners shall be permitted into patient care wards and units for purposes

of praying for all patients or personnel," a formal correspondence letter from the JST reads.

The ban on prayers was instituted by hospital management after an incident with a pastor who had allegedly administered water to a patient in a prayer ritual. The patient later passed away.

Pastor Marume said in an interview with the *Platinum Weekly* newspaper: "I find it hard to accept this new policy. Family members of patients in my congregation request me to visit the patient, to council and pray with them. People need to hear the word of God, especially when they have been admitted to hospital. This policy now prevents us from comforting and helping our members. I will take this up with JST management, as we were never consulted on this new policy."

Dr Moagi could not be reached for comment on this issue.



Pastor Joseph Marume of Word and Power Ministries dismayed at the new policy.



The Job Shimankana Tabane (JST) hospital bans pastors from praying for patients.

## Advisor Progressive College

FOR FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

### N3 Technical Matric

ONLY takes 3 months to complete!

Contact us @  
Rustenburg Campus • c/o Boom & Pretorius Street  
Tel: 014 594 2463 / 072 712 2758 • www.apc.edu.za

### Courses Offered:

- Electrical Engineering (N1-N6)
- Boilermaking (N1-N3)
- Mechanical Engineering (N1-N6)
- Pre-Nursing Course
- Human Resource Management (N4-N6)
- Matric Rewrite

### 2018 Registrations Now Open!

### Register NOW! Limited Space!

### Student Accommodation Available on Request!

Celebrating

11<sup>th</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY

FET College

Full time  
Part time  
Distance learning

# MONTH END SAVINGS

SAVE BIG

Large Golden Bananas  
.....  
**9.99** per kg

Pineapples  
.....  
**3 for R20**

Food Lover's Sunflower Oil 2 L  
.....  
**3 for R100**

Food Lover's Full Cream or Low Fat Milk 1 L 6 Pack  
.....  
**59.99** each

Class A Club & T-Bone Steak  
.....  
**R79** per kg

Oxtail  
.....  
**R69** per kg

**FRUIT PUNNETS**  
**Any 4 for R50**

Dessert Peach Punnet  
Yellow Cling Punnet  
Nectarine Punnet  
White Grape Punnet  
Red Seedless Grape Punnet  
Black Grape Punnet

Green Pepper Thriftpack  
**9.99** each

Robot Pepper Pepacks  
**19.99** each

Sweetcorn Prepacks  
**2 for R30**

Food Lover's Cheddar, Gouda or White Cheddar 800 g  
**69.99** each

**BUTCHERY**

Pork Rib & Loin Chops  
**79.99** per kg

**THIS VEG COMBO R99**

ONE Potato Pocket 7 kg  
ONE Butternut Pocket  
ONE Carrot Value Bag 5 kg  
ONE Onion Bag 3 kg

Mangoes  
**4 for R25**

English Cucubers  
**3 for R20**

Coke Range 2 L  
**13.99** each

Nik Naks Assorted 150 g  
**3 for R25**

Freshers 2 Ply Toilet Paper 9's  
**3 for R100**

Kameelhout Boerewors  
**79.99** per kg