

## Message of condolence to the family of Dr Archbishop Desmond Tutu

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On behalf of the Vaal University of Technology's Council, Management, Staff and Students we extend our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Dr Archbishop Desmond Tutu on his passing.

We were privileged as an institution, under the leadership of the then Vaal Triangle Technikon Council and Management in 2002, to be the first Technikon to confer an honorary doctorate on Dr Archbishop Desmond Tutu in recognition of his contribution of leading the country with a vision and an uncompromising resolve.

The Vaal University of Technology further honoured the Archbishop Emeritus by renaming the auditorium building to The Desmond Tutu Great Hall, and the Dr Archbishop Desmond Tutu's lecture series was instituted. The inaugural address was given by another stalwart of the long struggle to bring justice and equality to South Africa, the distinguished Justice Albie Sachs of the Constitutional Court.

May his soul rest in eternal peace.

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