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### **KZN DARD MEC CYRIL XABA VISITS THE SHEMBE NAZARETH BAPTIST CHURCH IN INANDA 28 July 2015**

As part of the KwaZulu-Natal provincial campaign to create awareness on saving **water, the province's Agriculture and Rural Development MEC, Cyril Xaba**, visited the Shembe Nazareth Baptist Church in Inanda to spread the message of water conservation.

Thousands of church members who had converged at eBuhleni Temple, which is a few kilometers away from Inanda precinct, received the message with open hearts since they are also affected by the drought in their communities.

The drought, which has posed a challenge to the people of KwaZulu-Natal since late last year, has not only affected commercial and emerging farmers adversely, but also communal farmers alike.

Communal farmers form a large part of the Shembe Church across the country.

The situation had deteriorated in KZN with towns like Mtubatuba in the northern coastal region, running dry and citizens struggling to obtain drinking water.

He told church congregants that they must heed the call to conserve water in their homes and communities in order to mitigate the impact the drought might have in the Province.



MEC for KZN Agriculture and Rural Development Mr Cyril Xaba, together with senior leaders of the Nazareth Baptist Church during the church service



MEC Cyril Xaba together with Inkosi Mchunu from Muden



MEC Cyril Xaba urging the mass gathering of the Nazareth Baptist Church to continue to pray for rain in the province