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BE THE BANK PROJECT

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INTRODUCTION

“The punch in the gut was severe. Perhaps the second quarter of 2020 will become known as the pandemic quarter. South Africa’s economy suffered a significant contraction during April, May and June, when the country operated under widespread lockdown restrictions in response to COVID-19.

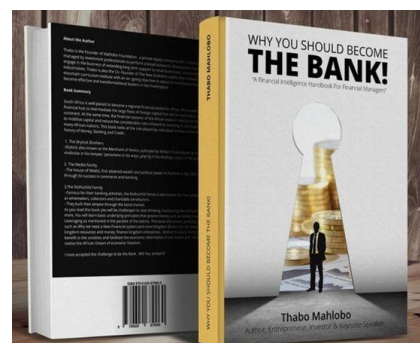
Gross domestic product (GDP) fell by just over 16% between the first and second quarters of 2020, giving an annualised growth rate of -51%.¹

This contraction dwarfs the annualised slowdown of 6,1% recorded in the first quarter of 2009 during the global financial crisis. Historical data from 1960, sourced from the South African Reserve Bank, show that the second quarter of 2020 experienced the biggest fall in GDP since that year, far steeper than the annualised 8,2% decline in the fourth quarter of 1982.²

In constant 2010 prices, the country generated almost R654 billion (not annualised) in the second quarter of 2020. This was the lowest level of production since the first quarter of 2009 when the economy generated R649 billion.” – Source: Statistics South Africa

Why You Should become the Bank?

The ‘Why You Should Become the Bank book’, written by Thabo Mahlobo, provides a refreshing approach to Banking. It explores practical ways to sustainably rebuild and grow the South African economy. It is underpinned by Kingdom principles and values in Business, Economic Development, and Governance. The South African Banking System is Euro-Centric or Anglo-American. We need to explore alternative Banking solutions that will complement the life and shared values of African people which are underpinned by a strong sense of community, love and sharing.



The book has been well received by various key influencers, business organisations, Churches, municipalities, and other government entities. In 2017, the first edition of the book was launched in Rosebank, Johannesburg and also has been used by a number of local communities as a guideline for setting up Community Financial Institute (CFI'S).

The 'Be the Bank Tour' will be commencing with its tours in the 6 key strategic Municipalities (Cape Town, Johannesburg, EThekwni, George, Nelson Mandela Bay, and Bloemfontein) and in some of the African countries like Rwanda, Kenya, Uganda, Namibia and Zambia. The main activities will include presentations by Thabo Mahlobo and other Business, Banking and Government Leaders, followed by robust panel discussions with intellectuals from academia, business, and politics.

EVENTS PROGRAMME

The activities for the Be the Bank Tour are listed below.

Date: Saturdays

Theme: Why You Should Become The Bank

Keynote Speaker: Thabo Mahlobo

Panel Discussion: With panellists from business and academia

Date: Saturdays

Theme: Alternative Banking Solutions

Keynote Speaker: Guest Speaker from Business, Banking and Government.

Panel Discussion: With panellists from academia and Politics

Be the Bank Tour – Bankers Dinner

One of the key recommendations from our Team is for the alignment and coordinated efforts of business, government, and the Church in advancing the South African Economy. After every event, on a Saturday evening (7 pm to 9 pm), a dinner for key influencers and people in the Banking, Business and Government sector in the region will be held to conclude the Banking Tour. The purpose of this dinner is to discuss current issues plaguing the region and Kingdom-based solutions. Attendees of the event will include business, Church, and government leaders in the region. Thabo normally host the dinner and lead the discussions.

■ BE THE BANK – Economics & Banking Programme

South Africa is well-placed to become a regional financial centre for Africa. Africa needs a financial hub to intermediate the large flows of foreign capital that will be required to rebuild the continent. At the same time, the financial systems of the African nations need to be rebuilt, so as to mobilize capital and reduce the considerable risks inherent in investing in, and trading with, many African nations. This programme looks at the role played by *individual families and communities* in the financial history of Money, Banking and Credit.

1. The Shylock Brothers

-Shylock also known as the Merchant of Venice, portrayed by William Shakespeare as most vindictive in his temper; 'penurious in his ways, griping in his dealings, unjust in his practices.

2. The Medici family,

- The House of Medici, first attained wealth and political power in Florence in the 13th century through its success in commerce and banking

3.The Rothschild Family

- Famous for their banking activities, the Rothschild family is also known for their achievements as winemakers, collectors and charitable benefactors.
- They built their empire through the bond market.

As you go through this programme you will be challenged to start thinking, functioning like the bank or even more, You will learn basic underlying principles that govern money such as Saving, Investing, Leveraging as mentioned in the parable of the talents. This programme will answer pressing questions such as why we need a *New Financial system* and more *Kingdom Banks* that will steward kingdom resources and money, finance kingdom enterprises , lend at no usury, bring economic benefit to the societies and facilitate the economic reformation in our nation and continent to realize the African Dream of economic freedom.

Workshop Objectives:

- Define Kingdom Banking
- Understand Kingdom concepts and components
- Understand how economies are built
- Describe different types of Banking and financial systems
- Differentiate between Economic freedom and security
- Develop Business and Economic leaders with a Biblical worldview
- Understand the Joseph Calling and his role in National Treasury of Egypt
- Develop a Kingdom entrepreneurial culture within our nation

- Develop a Kingdom Investor and Philanthropist psychology
- Understand how to manage God's resources
- Develop the passion to finance the gospel of the kingdom

Who can attend these workshops?

- Entrepreneurs; Investors; Philanthropists; Professionals; Church Leaders; Students and Youth Leaders

Duration: 12 Weeks (Customizable for 1-2 Full days)

Programme Content Outline

Getting Started: Can God entrust you with financial resources?

Introduction: I want you to be the Bank

Session 1: The Wakeup Call

Session 2: The Financial History of the World

Session 3: An Overview of the South African financial system

Session 4: The Battle to Reform the SA's financial system

Session 5: The Coming Financial Revolution

Session 6: The New Breed of Public Financial Managers

Session 7: Why you should become the Bank

Session 8: Kingdom Banks – The Resource Centres

Session 9: The Five Jars Principle of managing money

Session 10: Awaken the financial Genius within you

Wrapping up: The African Dream



■ ABOUT THABO MAHLOBO, Project Founder

Thabo is a family man, husband to Nthabiseng and father to Noluthando, Neo and Nokuthula Mahlobo; He is a very well-motivated, strategic, and diplomatic male with a great understanding of entrepreneurship, leadership, and economics. Thabo studied Bachelor's in Business Administration (BBA) from UNISA. He is also a Certified Learning and Development Facilitator & Assessor.

Thabo is the Founder of the New Economy Leadership Institute, a 7-mountain institute with an on-going objective to resource marketplace leaders to become effective and transformational leaders in the marketplace. He is also the Co-Founder of Mahlobo Foundation trading as 'Think and Create Legacy Education' a private company with a fundraised and managed by investment professionals to perform a broad economic development function and engage in the business of extending long term support to small businesses, entrepreneurs and industrialists. We do this by supporting and financing emerging businesses that will benefit the South African economy, creating jobs and alleviating poverty.



He is also the Executive Chairperson of TNE Africa, a network of professionals with a passion to resource business leaders in Africa. His passion is to reach, transform and bless Africa. He views Africa as a precious jewel in God's hands.

In addition to **“Why You Should Become the Bank”**, Thabo is also the author of **“The New Economy”**, **“Daddy Please Come Home”**, **“Awaken the Entrepreneur in you”**, **“Marketplace Calling”** and **“Awaken the Financial Genius in You”**

THABO MAHLOBO IMPACT TO DATE

Number of Books sold: 5000

Number of Cities and Towns visited: over 10 Major Cities in SA and over 70 townships (since 2015)

Local Economic Development: Currently working with 10 municipalities on City Transformation and Township economic development.

Education and Governance: Currently running the New Economy Leadership Institute to ensure continuous Ethical Leadership Development and Corporate Governance.

Business: In the process of setting up a community bank that will encourage local businesses investing in their communities. Currently advising 2 existing community financial institutes (CFI'S).

To view the recording of The New Economy Book Launch in RSA Parliament and Rwanda TVET's Education Conference click on the following links:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zxlBbwnhlfk>

<https://youtu.be/oGoei56y9kc>

<https://youtu.be/Zh6qJE2j80Y>



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