

# Media Release - 13 September 2001

## Funeral Service For Victims Of Kruger Fire

A mass funeral service for 13 of the 23 victims of the fire which devastated Kruger National Park last week, will be held on Saturday, 15 September. Nine of the remaining victims from the Makoko community will be buried according to traditional rituals and one of the Kruger rangers from the Punda Maria area will be buried in his home town.

The funeral service will start at the Skukuza rugby field at 08:00 on Saturday morning. Family members of the victims will then proceed to the Kruger Gate Cemetery at 10:00 for the burial. Other mourners are requested to visit the cemetery after this. The park authorities will make all transport, catering and other logistical arrangements and carry the costs for these.

Dr Mthembu, General Secretary of the Mpumalanga Council of Churches, will officiate at the funeral service.

For those who would like to contribute to the Disaster Fund set up to help the families of the victims, here are the details of the bank account:

KNP Fire Disaster Fund  
ABSA Current  
Acct no: 40 54 043 666

Donations in kind can be made to:

Bulelwa Ngqakamba in the Office of the Director of the Kruger Park, phone: 013 735 4384.

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