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CHIEF ALBERT LUTHULI MEMORIAL LECTURE AND WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY

Former National Speaker of Parliament and Vice Chancellor of the University of KwaZulu Natal, Dr Frene Ginwala will lead a special delegation to Groutville to pay respect at the grave of Chief Albert Luthuli on Friday 15 November – the day before the Albert Luthuli Annual Memorial Lecture takes place on Saturday, 16 November 2013.

The wreath laying ceremony will take place at the United Congregational Church in Groutville, where Africa's First Nobel Peace Laureate and members of his family are buried. Dr Ginwala will be accompanied by a delegation of representatives of the Ministry of Arts and Culture, the University of KwaZulu Natal and the Luthuli Family. The event will begin at 2pm at the Church with a special service presided over by the newly elected head of the church Reverend Mkhize. Thereafter Dr Ginwala and the other dignitaries will lay a wreath on the grave of Chief Albert Luthuli and his wife, affectionately known as MaBhengu..

The delegation will then move to the Luthuli Museum – less than one kilometer away – for a tour of the original 1927 home of Chief Albert Luthuli.

The event is part of a build-up campaign around the annual Chief Albert Luthuli Memorial Lecture which will be given by Dr Ginwala at the University of KwaZulu Natal – Westville campus on 16 November 2013 at 11.30am.

The lecture is held every year as part of the national Department of Arts and Culture legacy project which saw the establishment of the Luthuli Museum in 2004. Former Zambian and Mozambican presidents Kenneth Kaunda and Joachim Chissano, respectively, have delivered previous lectures in 2005 and 2007.

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