

Conference to heal past and build future

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The future of South Africa depends on the extent to which black and white can trust each other.

This is the view of the oldest living rugby Springbok, the Reverend George Daneel, who as a member of Moral Re-Armament is helping to organise a conference on healing the past and building the future to be held in Bloemfontein at the Easter weekend.

"Change in the hearts of people leading to change in the nation is our aim," he says.

"We in Moral Re-Armament have always been convinced that the future of our country depends on the extent to which black and white could trust each other on a basis of reconciliation.

"The conference in Bloemfontein is a continuance of the battle for God's supremacy in the lives of our people."

The chairman of Moral Re-Armament, Samuel Mxolisi Pono, who lives in Mamelodi, has this to say: "The changes which brought about democ-

racy in this country have been recognised and admired all over the world. Now the whole world looks at South Africa not as a problematic country, but as a model for racial harmony and justice. This conference gives us an opportunity as South Africans to face and heal our bitter past in order to build a secure future for all our people."

The conference will bring together people representing a diversity of community, student, business, religious and political life from 25 countries, including the Governor General of Jamaica Sir Howard Cooke, Tanzania's Minister of Works Anna Abdallah Msekwa, and the president of the Czech Commission of Unesco, Dr Jara David-Moserova.

Delegates are also expected from North and South America, Australasia and Europe, Cameroon, Eritrea, Ghana, Kenya, Namibia, Nigeria, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

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