

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Nokuphiwa "Phiwa" Langeni Receives Beatitudes Society Fellowship

Atlanta, GA (September 2, 2015) - The Beatitudes Society has announced that Nokuphiwa "Phiwa" Langeni, Chicago Theological Seminary '15, Eden Theological Seminary '11, has been awarded a \$5,000 Beatitudes Fellowship.

Nokuphiwa "Phiwa" Langeni is one of twelve emerging faith leaders from across the United States selected for the annual award.

The Beatitudes Fellowship identifies and equips a select group of young entrepreneurial faith leaders with the resources and relationships that empower them to create new models for church and social justice, and grow vital communities of faith in a pluralistic world.

The yearlong curriculum for the Fellows is project-based: each Fellow develops their own model for progressive ministry within their local faith community. The Fellows gather four times throughout the year for a week of coaching and customized mentoring to bring their idea to fruition. The curriculum is designed to develop each individual Fellow's capacity for authentic leadership, while also building a community of peers for long-term mutual support.

The Beatitudes Fellowship provides each Fellow:

- A \$5,000 award (not a project grant);
- A yearlong series of four Fellows' gatherings across the country;
- Customized, project-focused mentoring and coaching;
- Project evaluation: how to figure out what projects need, from the tangible (people, money, time) to the intangible (faith, hope, courage);
- Teaching, preaching, storytelling and community-building workshops: how to deepen faith, build community, inspire justice and engage communities in transformative change;
- Sustaining spiritual practices: contemplative spiritual prayer and the Center for Courage and Renewal's
  practices and principles for "leading from within"; Peer community with other entrepreneurial leaders:
  time to relax and connect.

To find out more, please visit: <a href="www.BeatitudesSociety.org">www.BeatitudesSociety.org</a> or contact:

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