

Association of Professional Chaplains – Kenya (APC-K)/ Moi University-MTRH Clinical Pastoral Education Committee

Draft Conference Agenda

Day 1: Sunday October 18, 2026

Time	Agenda	Facilitator/Moderator
1730–1800 hrs	Arrival and registration	
1800–1900 hrs	<i>Dinner and Networking</i>	
1900–2030 hrs	Devotion	Simon Elius
	Welcoming Remarks	Dr. Mahlon Juma, Chair APCK
	Introductions & Greetings	All Guests
	Remarks by Distinguished Partner	Prof. Dr. James Lemons (Indiana University Health/CPE Committee, Indianapolis)

Day 2: Monday October 19, 2026

Time	Agenda	Facilitator/Moderator
	Session I: Welcoming and Opening	Rapporteur
0815–0825 hrs	Devotion	Emily
0825–0835 hrs	Overview: introductions, and objectives (10 mins)	Prof. Eunice Kamaara, Secretary, APCK
0835–0845 hrs	Welcome Remarks by Host (10 mins)	Rev. John Gatu, Chair, APCK
0845–0855 hrs	Introduce Vice Chancellor. MU (5 mins)	Prof. Mary Wahome Dean, School of Arts and Social Sciences
0855–0910 hrs	A Word of Welcome from VC (10 mins)	Prof. Kiplagat Kottut , Vice Chancellor, Moi University
0910–0925 hrs	Opening Remarks (15 mins)	Dr. Beatrice Inyangala Muganda PS, State Department of Higher Education

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	Session II: Key Note Speech	Rapporteur:
0925–0955 hrs	Keynote Speaker	Rev Dr. David Tarus , Executive Officer, Association of Christian Theological Institutions in Africa (ACTEA)
0955–1000hrs	Photo Session	
1000–1020hrs	Health Break	
	Session III: African epistemologies, decolonisation and Theological foundations	Moderator/Facilitator
1020–1035 hrs	African epistemologies, decolonisation and Theological foundations – Africa is not a religion, country, is a way of life (15 mins)	Prof. Susan Kilonzo (Key Speaker)
1035–1045 hrs	Preserving Indigenous Spiritual Knowledge through Community-Based Education and Service (10 mins)	Prof. J. B. Baliddawa
1045–1055 hrs	Decolonizing Chaplaincy Education in Africa: Reclaiming Indigenous African Concepts of Personhood, Community, and Spiritual Care (10 mins)	Rev. Charles Maina Mwangi
1055–1105 hrs	Decolonizing Chaplaincy and Developing African Models of Spiritual Care (10 mins)	Prof. H. Ndzovu
1105–1115 hrs	Hindu Chaplaincy in Africa: Ancient Wisdom, Contemporary Practice, and the Convergence of Ubuntu & Bhakti (10 mins)	Prof. Kirtika Patel
1115–1135 hrs	Discussion (20 mins)	
1300–1400hrs	Lunch Break	
	Session IV: Chaplaincy Education, professionalization, policy and institutional development	
1400–1415 hrs	Chaplaincy beyond healthcare institutions (education, community and character formation) (15 mins)	Rev. Dr. Lawson Ndung'u (Key Speaker)
1415–1425 hrs	Towards the Professionalization and Contextualization of Spiritual Care (10 mins)	Sheikh Dr. Hassan Omari (Key Speaker)
1425–1435 hrs	Institutionalizing Spiritual Care: The Establishment of Hospital Pastoral Services at Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital, Kenya (AMIS Model) (10 mins)	CPE Committee
1435–1445 hrs	Quintessential Steps for Clinical Pastoral Education: Way Forward on Standards for ACP-K (10 mins)	Dr. Mahlon Juma

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1445–1455 hrs	Empowering Catholic Medical Students: The Role of Hospital Chaplains in Integrating Spiritual Care into Medical Education and Practice (10 mins)	Fr. Simon Peter Akim
1455–1505 hrs	Task Shifting in Clinical Medicine and Hospital Chaplaincy (10 mins)	Rev. Joseph Kitur
1505–1515 hrs	Chaplaincy in Kenyan Secondary Schools: A Situational Analysis (10 mins)	Rev. John Gatu
1515–1535 hrs	Discussion (20 mins)	
1535–1600hrs	Health Break	
	Session V: Religious pluralism interfaith engagement and inclusive spiritual care	Moderator/Facilitator Rapporteur
1600–1615 hrs	From the Fragmented Person to the Web of Life: Personhood as the Foundation for Contextualising Care in Africa, a Magesan Reading(15 mins)	Rev. Dr John the Baptist Anyeh-Zamcho, SJ, Ed.D (Key Speaker)
1615–1625 hrs	A Theology of Suffering: An Inter-Religious Approach to Chaplaincy in Africa (10 mins)	Prof. Emily Choge
1625–1635 hrs	The Jethro Principle and the Healing Ministry of God: An Exegetical Investigation of Exodus 18:13–27 within the Canonical Theology of Delegated Care from Genesis to Revelation (10 mins)	Rev. Jacob Kipchillis arap Bernard and Prof. Joseph Koech
1635–1645 hrs	Toward an Afro-Hindu Model of Chaplaincy (10 mins)	Prof. Kirtika Patel
1645–1655 hrs	Practical Applications of an Integrated, Pluralistic and Community-Based Model (10 mins)	Major G. Wagaya
1655–1705 hrs	Chaplaincy in Pluralistic and Increasingly Nonreligious Contexts: Implications for Chaplaincy in Africa (10 mins)	Dr. Juma Mahlon
1705–1725 hrs	Discussion (20 mins)	
1725–1730	Day's Close out	
18.30–2000	Dinner and Networking	

Day 3: Tuesday October 20, 2026

Time	Agenda	Facilitator/Moderator
	Session VI Chaplaincy & Holistic Care	
0900–0915 hrs	Recap of day 1	Sheikh Dr. H. Omari
0915–0930 hrs	Spiritual Health: The Neglected 4th Dimension of Health in Maternal and Newborn Health in Africa (15 mins)	Prof Paul Nyongesa (Key Speaker)

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0930–0940 hrs	The AGC Tenwek Hospital Model of Christian Pastoral Care: Developing an African Theory of Holistic Christian Healthcare (10 mins)	Rev. Dr. Paul Lokol
0940–0950 hrs	Beyond Healing: Disability, African Personhood and Rethinking Chaplaincy Spiritual Care (10 mins)	Dr. M. Waithanji
0950–1000 hrs	School Chaplaincy as a Holistic Ministry of Care, Character Formation, and Educational Partnership (10 mins)	Dr. K. S. Obondi
1000–1010 hrs	(Re)positioning Clinical Chaplaincy in African Healthcare: Diagnosis, Personhood, and the Practice of Holistic Care (10 mins)	Dr Eric R Masese
1010–1030 hrs	Discussion (20 mins)	
1115–1130 hrs	Health Break	
	Session VII: Specialized Chaplaincy	Moderator/Facilitator Rapporteur
1130–1145 hrs	Specialized clinical chaplaincy and spiritual interventions (15 mins)	Rev. Edward Hiiti (Key Speaker)
1145–1155 hrs	History of CPE and why CPE is core for Chaplaincy of all Kind (10 mins)	Prof. Gerishon Kirika
1155–1205 hrs	Hospital Chaplaincy Spiritual Care and the Well-Being of HIV-Positive Mothers: Insights from Riley Mother and Baby Hospital, Eldoret, Kenya (10 mins)	Ps. S. Elius Kilonzo
1205–1215 hrs	Singing the Spirit: Embedding Music-Based Interventions in Modern African Chaplaincy (10 mins)	Dr. Jane Mwonga
1215–1225 hrs	The Role of Chaplains in Bereavement in Maternal and Neonatal Care (10 mins)	Prof. Dinah Chelagat
1225–1235 hrs	Salient Beliefs as Tools of Spiritual Empowerment: Introducing HELD, a 21-Day Devotional for Gynecological Oncology Patients at Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital, Kenya (10 mins)	Ps. Simon Elius
1235–1255 hrs	Discussion (20 mins)	
1300–1400hrs	Lunch Break	
	Session VIII: Chaplaincy and Mental Health	Rapporteur
1400–1415 hrs	Chaplaincy mental health spiritual wellbeing and psycho-social care (15 mins)	Prof V. Naanyu (Key Speaker)
1415–1425 hrs	Religion, Bewitchment, and Mental Health: The Role of Counselling among the Abagusii Community in Kenya (10 mins)	Dr. Simon Omare

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1425–1435 hrs	Mental Health of a Spiritual Leader: Reframing Chaplaincy Education and Spiritual Care for Holistic Ministry in Africa (10 mins)	Major G. Wagaya
1435–1445 hrs	The NISE Theory: 10 Point Action Formula for Wellbeing and Healing (10 mins)	Prof. P. Nyongesa
1445–1455 hrs	The Nexus between Spirituality, Mental Health, and Political Dissatisfaction among Kenyan Youth (10 mins)	Dr. Simon Omare
1455–1515 hrs	Discussion (20 mins)	
1640–1700 hrs	Day 3 Close out – Reflections of the day's activities	Moderator/Facilitator
1830–2000hrs	<i>Dinner and Networking</i>	

Day 4: Wednesday October 21, 2026

Time	Agenda	Facilitator/Moderator
	Session IX	Rapporteur
0830–0900 hrs	Recap	
0900–0930 hrs	Way Forward	
0930–1000 hrs	Closing Remarks	Prof. Mike Kuria CEO, Commission for University Education
1000–1030hrs	<i>Health Break</i>	
	Session X AGM	APCK Membership only
1030–1230 hrs	2026 APC-K AGM	
<i>End of the Conference, Lunch and Participants leave at their own leisure</i>		