

„INKAMANA“ today and thence

03 August 1922 a group of catholic missionaries established a settlement near the hill “iNqwamano” (renamed “iNkamana) along the river “uBhanya” (renamed “Besterspruit”) south-east of the town Vryheid in the area of eBaQulusini in South Africa.

Gardening and farming made the mission station grow into a community and a centre of learning with vocational and high-school facilities and attracted learners from all over Southern Africa.

In 1949 the missionaries erected a monastery and shortly thereafter a church which serves their congregation since 1953.

The “Inkamana Abbey” has undergone several developments: On October 10, 1961 Inkamana was declared a `Prioratus Simplex` and on June 21, 1968 it became a `Conventual Priory`. <http://www.inkamana.org/index.htm>

Inkamana hosted in February 13 - 15, 2004 the 8th Annual Workshop of the Team of Volunteers in Translating the Books of the Old and the New Testament into isiZulu of the present day, today known as “biblia zuluensis - iBhaybheli ngesiZulu”.

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