Jon and Lauren Emanuelson 2023 ZEMA Annual Report

Over this past year, God has continued to be faithful and gracious to us as a family. Most of the year was spent in the USA in order to fulfill furlough responsibilities some of which included reporting about the work to supporting churches. There were some very encouraging responses to what was shared. Just to mention some of these opportunities specifically, Jon was given three opportunities to preach and was also given some teaching opportunities as well. Jon was also able to stay involved in the ministry of South Africa by helping with ZEBS notes preparation and phone calls to fellow colleagues. Furthermore, Lauren spent much time with home schooling our three children and was given the chance to speak twice at CCC ladies' meetings. She also had opportunities to serve at some vacation Bible School opportunities. Regarding the visa applications process, we needed to travel to the SA consulate in Washington D.C. in order to apply. By God's grace we received them in time to return to SA at the scheduled time.

Since our return to South Africa for our next term of service, many encouraging things have been taking place. Jon has been able to resume responsibilities with the ZEBS East London class and has also been preparing for the continuation of the Mukhanyo Theological College local learning site of ZEBS East London. Another goal is to keep encouraging Zionists to implement Biblical truth in local church work. It has been encouraging to see how God is still at work in these ministries and we are looking forward to seeing all that God has planned for this new year for His glory.