

**Luaan and Susanne Goosen**  
**2025 ZEMA Annual Report**

We praise the Lord for guiding us through another year and for never leaving or forsaking us. He continues to care for us and provide for our needs through each joy and challenge that we face. We are extremely grateful to be His children.

Ministry this year took on many different facets. January- Sept 10th were spent in South Africa with two short term trips to Malawi, but when we landed in the States on Sept 11th we switched gears to minister to supporters and students of all ages. Wherever we go, there are opportunities to be involved in God's kingdom. Luaan was responsible for ZEBS monthly classes in Grahamstown & Port Alfred, King Williams Town & Queenstown, Mdantsane & Aliwal North, as well as Mthatha & Willowvale. He also is overseeing and mentoring a new Bible schools student, Malwande Gcaba, at (UBI). In May & August, Luaan went on a short term trip with Greg Akers & Ron Eardley to Malawi. The people were so responsive and eager for the word of God that Luaan & Greg are seriously considering going to Malawi for longer stretches at a time next year. During the last week-end of August, Luaan helped to coordinate the teaching material for the Zion Teacher's Conference at Sunbury. He was also very involved in the Field Council.

Susanne taught Scripture Union on Fridays at KHS in King Williams Town to grades 1-3. An average of 80-100 girls attended each week. She systematically taught the books of 1 & 2 Samuel and started 1 Kings before leaving for furlough. The students learned memory verses to correspond to each lesson. Sarah Akers and Maribel Gottsch taught the Grade 1 class during the second half of the year, which was a tremendous blessing as well. It's so encouraging to see the girls interact with the Bible passages and ask questions on how to apply new truths to their daily lives. The excitement and enthusiasm for learning scripture is refreshing! God is at work in these young lives, and we pray that the seeds that were sown will grow deep roots and bear fruit for the eternal kingdom – despite the enticing temptations of this world. In 2026 we are praying for more helpers to help maintain discipline when large numbers of girls arrive. The annual Sunday School Teacher Training Seminar was hosted at Dumisani in King Williams Town on March 29th and about 50 people attended. Praise the Lord!

Thus far in the States, we have been involved in two mission conferences and have enjoyed fellowshiping with many congregations who have been supporting us for many years. We even have had opportunities to speak to Bible school students about missions. Several have expressed interest in coming on short term trips or possibly even summer internships. It has been so encouraging to see the Lord stirring in hearts to raise up harvesters for his vast harvest fields and for passionate prayer for the plight of the lost. Pray for us as we reach out to partner with new churches and individuals as well. We will be involved in one more mission conference mid-March.

On a personal note, Luaan and Susanne celebrated twenty-seven years of marriage in December. When we return to South Africa after furlough, it will be the first time that we will not have any children with us. Please pray for us during this drastic transition

and as we enter a completely new chapter in our lives as empty nesters. In 2025, Pieter finished his military service in January and then moved to Greenville, SC, where God provided a carpentry job and later a night security job at North Greenville University as he rehabilitated from a shoulder injury that he acquired during military training. We praise God for his healing hand upon him, and that in the new year he was granted a federal high security job. He has been enjoying his new church friends and was even mentored by a local pastor on a regular basis. Sarah completed her interior design degree from Liberty University in May and then decided to study for a few more months to also add a business minor. In October she was offered a job in Greenville, SC, so she and Pieter found an apartment to share. She has enjoyed exploring their new environment and has found a new church home as well. Katelyn studied very hard for her GED American high school equivalency test and passed all the subjects in June. After that she studied for her SAT college entrance tests. When we returned to the States in September, she helped us as we travelled and spoke in many churches from PA to IL to SC. Then she moved in with her brother and sister in October and soon found a job at the Olive Garden to begin saving for college. In December she passed her driver's test after diligent practice. We praise God for a provision of a car which Pieter found on auction at the university where he was working. Please pray for Katelyn as she continues to adjust to American life and as she makes decisions about what course of college studies would be best while using the gifts and abilities that God has given to her. Pray for godly friendships as she navigates a new chapter in her life.

We praise God for what He has done in 2025 and look forward to what He will accomplish for His kingdom in the coming year. He is so good!