

## **Kit Tischler**

### **2024 ZEMA Annual Report**

#### **Ministry**

##### **1) University Ministry**

It has been a joy to witness God's work in the lives of several young Zion men that I have been discipling. Comfort, a student at Wits University, led Bible studies throughout the year among the Zionists on topics like salvation, spiritual growth and the Holy Spirit. He also organized a community event in his home village that included soccer and netball tournaments, to encourage youth to turn to Christ and away from drugs, depression, and teenage pregnancy.

Another student that grew this year was Siyabonga at the University of Johannesburg. He and another student started a new bible study at their Zion University group. We also worked through a catechism by Martin Luther together, along with learning some of Jesus' commands. Siyabonga is now planning to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Theology at Union Bible Institute in 2025.

Another student named Mohlala, continued to lead the Bible Studies for the ZCC group at the University of Johannesburg. Although some students were pushing back against the Bible teaching I was giving, Mohlala has continued to press into the Word of God. For example, he led Bible studies with the ZCC on topics such as being religious, but not pleasing to God.

##### **2) Outreach to Zion Churches and Evangelism**

When my schedule allowed, I visited Zion churches during Sunday worship services. One Sunday, I drove around Soweto looking for Zionists to worship with. I stumbled upon a church worshipping in a classroom at a public school. I am sure they were shocked to see a white man walking into their service with a Zion robe on. This opened doors to build relationships with them and share about ZEBS. I was given many such opportunities throughout the year.

Along with preaching at new Zion churches, I also had many chances to share the gospel at the university campuses. The door is wide open for evangelism.

##### **3) ZEBS (Zion Evangelical Bible School)**

This year, I filled in for Matthew Kuehl and traveled to Zimbabwe in June, July, and August to teach at ZEBS. Emmanuel Mhlongo (ZEBS Teacher) and I had an incredible time teaching at two classes, in Bulawayo and Ngundu. In December, I also attended and preached at a Zion Youth Conference in Zimbabwe. One pastor share with me the profound changes he has observed in one of their leaders who has been attending ZEBS in Zimbabwe.

#### **Personal Update**

By God's grace, I am doing well. This year was full and God gave me grace and strength throughout the year. I had the privilege of traveling to Thailand for a TEAM Conference, along with Vietnam to visit my cousin. I also attended a wedding of a friend in Kenya. Praise God for these great experiences!