



December 2024

As the Advent season begins, we are invited to pause, reflect and embark on a journey together - one that follows the story of Christ's birth and brings hope, peace, joy and love to life.

I read in Luke's Gospel (Chapters 1-2), the accounts of the visitation by Angel Gabriel to Zechariah and Mary with announcements to both respectively defines all descriptions. The birth of John the Baptist, foretold to a couple that was past child bearing, and to Mary, who knew no man, she said "I am a Virgin". Here we are witnessing two situations that are humanly impossible. However, we read Luke 1:37 "FOR NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD." We have God's Commanding Promise in the middle of two humanly impossible announcements; "FOR NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD"

The year 2024 will probably go down in our books as our toughest and most challenging. I think it could best be described as "a crisis of faith" (Psalms 73). The Apostle Paul tells it better in 2 Corinthians 4:8 " We are pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed." It is my firm believe that Carol and I came through 2024 because of your faithful and committed partnership, be it in prayer or finances, we are indebted both to God and your partnership, Thank you!!!!

Because our ministry involvement is a threat to the kingdom of darkness, we can therefore expect the onslaughts of the enemy to multiply and to continue in 2025. However, we are equally expecting times of refreshing that will come from the Lord (Acts 9:19b)

We are committed to fulfil the task allotted to us, among many other responsibilities - Mobilising and Recruiting for Missions, and continue to work hard through various initiatives to bring about Mission Minded Churches. We long to see many more South Africans answer the call for missions and to go to the ends of the earth with a strong focus on Unreached People Groups (URPG's) on the African Continent.

Carol's health has been an upheaval, but she has faith in our unchanging God. She's holding to the Lord's promise, at times amidst excruciating pain in her leg. Thank you for your prayers and words of encouragements, God is at work and we give Him praise.

Our word for 2025 is NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD, with this promise we moving forward considering him faithful who had made the promise (Hebrews 11:11)

May you take God at His word because on it you can build your hopes and your dreams, it will never fail.

Every blessing to you and your family during this festive season.

In Christ.

Stewart and Carol Sampson