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2025 ANNUAL REPORT

OM in South Africa



Over 2 billion people in the world today have not heard the good news of Jesus presented in a way they could understand.

We envision a day where we can see Vibrant Communities of Jesus Followers among the Least Reached within reach of every single person on earth.

Today, more than 4,500 OM workers representing 125 nationalities are serving in over 147 countries doing whatever it takes to see this happen.

Together, we are called to share God's plan for redemption with all people. OM's five spotlight regions were selected as places around the world with a high percentage of least-reached people, and where OM teams are uniquely placed to make a difference.



Climbing Together in God's Mission

Over the past few years, OM South Africa has navigated steep and demanding slopes in re-envisioning and implementing a revised strategy with precision and deep commitment to the Lord's leading. Through these seasons of accelerated growth, God has both sustained and stretched OMZA, and our faithful teams and missionaries, while also calling new workers to join His mission.

The year 2025 marked a purposeful slowing of pace, a time of consolidation, reflection, and gratitude. We celebrated the unity and favor of the Holy Spirit's presence across our community, culminating in our annual staff conference, which expressed heartfelt thanks to the Lord for His work in and through OMZA, our missionaries, and the lives of many people in South Africa and beyond.

In addition to ongoing mobilisation (inspiring, connecting, equipping) and placement of workers, our entire community, including administrative and ministry workers, engaged in united learning and practice of disciple-making principles drawn from the book of Acts and OM's specialised training material. This collective journey deepened our understanding and application of reaching diaspora and the least reached across South Africa. Following this, we dedicated several months to generosity learning and practice,

aligning with our newly established Generosity Division.

This initiative is focused on generating financial support for ministry among the least reached nations, ensuring that resources are mobilised to advance the Gospel where it is needed most.

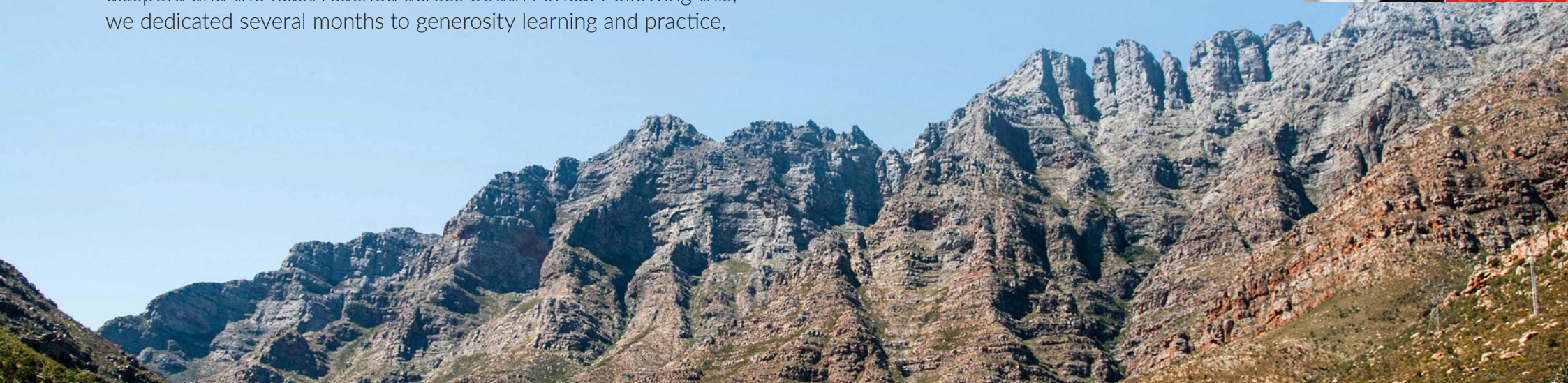
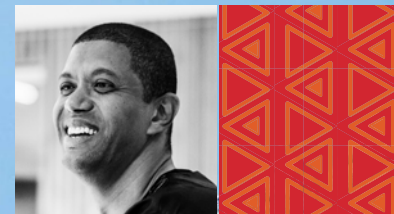
Looking ahead, 2026 will build upon these foundations. We will accelerate disciple-making across South Africa, expand the impact of our Generosity Division, and contribute in greater measure to global efforts among the least reached. Collaboration and partnerships remain central to our vision, and we extend sincere gratitude to all who journey with us. We warmly invite you to deepen your partnership with OMZA as together we seek to see the Gospel reach every corner of the earth.

May you be encouraged by Zephaniah 3:17 "The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you!"

By His grace!

Fabian Fayers

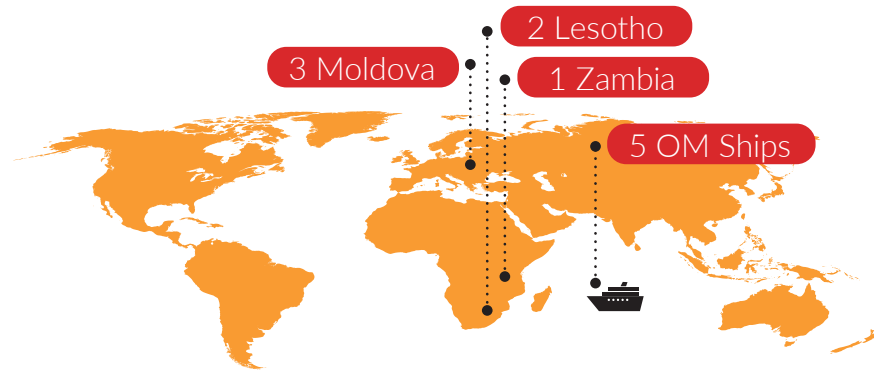
National Director



Short Term Ministry Report for 2025

Sent on Short-Term Outreach from South Africa

Number of individuals sent: 11



Received on Short-Term Outreach to Lesotho

Number of individuals received/sent: 3

South Africa 2
Germany 1

The figures may not seem impressive, but we are thankful and praise the Lord for an increase of 33% in the number of South Africans who took part in outreaches and an increase of 25% in foreigners joining outreaches in South Africa and Lesotho.



Received on Short-Term Outreach to Tshega Christian Mission

Number of individuals received: 20

8 United Kingdom
6 Germany
5 Switzerland
1 The Netherlands



REACH in 2025

Number of individuals trained: 30



Across both intakes, total participation decreased from 38 participants in 2024 to 31 in 2025, an overall 18.4% decline (of the 2nd intake, no drop on the 1st). At the same time, there was a clear shift in nationality composition: South African participation increased by 33%, rising from about 40% of participants in 2024 to nearly two thirds in 2025, while

international participation declined significantly. Several nationalities represented in 2024 — particularly Germany, Switzerland, Hong Kong, Paraguay, and Ukraine — were absent in 2025, while a small number of other countries participated in 2025 including Sweden, Norway, Kenya, Faroe Islands, and The Netherlands.

God at Work in Southern Africa

A report from *Sarah* one of our field workers

"In July, my housemate and I took a small group of children to and from a church holiday club. I have often found ministry to children from this community challenging, particularly knowing how to speak about the Bible. My highlight from this week, however, was the many open doors God set before us to do just that. Conversation ranged from Bible stories, to Jesus' identity, to the day of judgement, and how we can go to Heaven through Jesus. At the end of the week, we spoke about the difference between Jesus of the Bible and the God of the Qu'ran, and the importance of choosing which we will follow.

Two weeks later, we hosted our own four-day holiday program for children from this community. We did different activities each day: a hike, mini-golf, an arts day and painting pottery. Each day we also shared a Bible story: beginning at creation and leading to the Gospel.

Many children from this community come from extremely challenging circumstances and are in desperate need of love. Praise be to God for how He

moved! Each day we had 25-30 children, whose Muslim families gave permission for them to attend. It was amazing to spend the week with these precious ones, bond with them and share God's Word. That said, it wasn't always a Sunday school scene...managing their behaviour was often challenging. But above that, I reflect on the week and can say that God moved, opened doors and gave us a wonderful week with these dear children.

Please join us in prayer as we continue to minister to these precious souls and share the Good News of the Gospel. We're hopeful that one day they will choose to commit their hearts and lives to following Jesus."

*love, *Sarah*





STAFF DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT

FEB 2025 - JAN 2026

VISION

To see vibrant communities of Jesus followers amongst the least reached. Through the training/staff development our vision and desire is to see every Omer being discipled purposefully. Through the purposeful discipleship they become challenged to sow broadly amongst the people in every sector of their society. They are equipped to then engage in a deep meaningful way with the people they identify are open and ready and at the same time mobilize other believers to become part of God's vision for His world. Our desire is also to see our OM staff continually grow and develop in every aspect of their lives.

Prepare 2 Harvest

Our goal is to see every staff member go through the P2H training. Over the course of 4 weeks we ran live training online with 14 more

OM SA staff members. The participants were all challenged to the least reached in their own communities, identify the Person of Peace and begin discovery bible study groups. It's been amazing to see most OM SA staff having now completed P2H either in person or online over 2024/2025.

INS & OUTS of OM and Orientation

Over 100 people took part in the INs & OUTs program which was held both virtually/online and in house with each region hosting a group of people. The participants consisted of OM partners, associates, friends of OM and new OMers to OM South Africa.

Leadership Incubator

Once a month the leadership and potential leadership connect to have fellowship, encourage each other and grow together. Different

crucial topics are worked through, for example :Facing Your Shadow, Leading out of Marriage/Singleness and others.

Equip T

Equip T is a dynamic program which was held with 17 participants of OM SA. In this program the participants grow and develop not just in their training skills but also in how to develop whole training programs, from an adult education perspective, applying cultural intelligence to contextualise the training facilitation.

Coach Mentoring Essentials (CME)

Coaching and mentoring are both essential skills for engaging deeply and discipling purposefully. 20 OM SA staff members were trained in the CME program.

Intermediate Leadership Training (ILT)

Leadership development is a crucial part of OM SA's staff development. 20 OM staff from not only OM SA but other African fields took part in ILT.

written by **Heather Anandlal**
(Field Training Officer)

Testimonies

P2H Training - Law Makungauta

"I am truly enjoying interacting with the VCJF training material since your training in South Africa. Beyond starting new DBS groups, I have also trained one local young church using the Mobilisation Set. They have embraced the DBS model and are committed to using it for both discipleship and gospel sharing.

I would also love to share an exciting testimony. Yesterday, 25 February 2026, I started another DBS group with a small group of young people from my community who are staying at a boarding house and attending a nearby German language school in my neighbourhood. The group consists of five people.

This began by simply picking them up for church over the past two weeks. We studied a Faith for Salvation passage, and during the obedience question, two of them, Ben (20) and Delight (18), gave their lives to Christ. Praise God!"

CME – Doreen Joubert

"I completed the Coaching and Mentoring course earlier this year, presented by a team of experienced trainers. Taking the course has opened up an avenue of opportunities as a coach to empower and inspire individuals in gaining confidence to see their own potential in reaching their desired personal and professional goals. This tool is an important addition to my wanting to aid and guide individuals to realise themselves the desired end result in a particular situation."





Sharpening Arrows

written by Andrea D. Combs

“How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed?
And how are they to believe in Him of who they have never heard?
And how are they to hear without someone preaching?”

Roman 10:14 (NIV)

Nestled in a small region in North Africa, *Tom and *Julie work as church planters. While intently learning the local language, they serve as English teachers. They explain that it’s a tool God has given them. It’s an identity for their work there but not as much a job.

Before moving up north, the pair served with OM in South Africa. Julie has been with OM since 2012, while Tom has served with the ministry since 2019. Together, they moved to the base in December, 2020. Prior to moving on base, they had been living in a small town,

serving in youth and children’s ministry. Due to the COVID lock down, their community work was heavily affected and ultimately got shut down, causing them to reevaluate their situation.

Amongst their choices, the first was to stay and rebuild their ministry; the second was move to Cape Town to lead the team there; or, third, move to the OM base in Pretoria and serve on the REACH leadership team.

A core question the pair often ask themselves when facing important life decisions is, “What would sharpen our arrow the best?” They knew they wanted to work in the Muslim world eventually but weren’t sure where exactly. With this in mind, they decided to move to Pretoria and serve with REACH.

Tom and Julie lived on base for two and a half years, serving there for a total of four years. They decided to move to town when Tom's role switched to Connect associate for the leadership team. Living closer to town made more sense to them, to live out their role and practice what they were, effectively, "preaching."

The couple longed for the community they had in their small town. So together they went apartment hunting for the most diverse/interconnected community - while still living fairly close to the base. They found that community. They needed a passion project and that project was being in community. In that time, they learned to live in two dimensions... a Christian bubble and the world - where everyone holds different beliefs. This is essentially what they're doing now!

REACH was transformational for Tom. He shared DBS was a creative tool to get things out quickly and to keep the main thing the main thing. Scripture, after all, can speak for itself. Above all else, Tom said he wants his neighbors to know that he is a faithful person who loves God and serves Jesus! They want to be salty! (Matthew 5:13)

What they learned at REACH was critical to know and to adopt. Practical factors such as outreach dress code (ie. No tight clothes, long sleeves) may have seemed odd in the

western world, but it genuinely helped prepare Julie for living in Northern Africa.

Tom shared being at REACH made him aware of the extreme need that the world has for the Gospel. Learning there are more than three billion people who have never heard the Good News noticeably shifted his life's calling. "They need Jesus more than all their life's needs. Their soul is more important than anything else that could happen in their entire life."

Additionally, amidst a discussion with a friend about children in South Africa needing clean water, Julie commented, "What good is water if they don't have Jesus?" This tugged at Tom's heart, desiring from then on to go somewhere where there is nothing! There was something deeper brewing in his heart that Julie already had. She felt she needed to share AND help! It's a both - and!

An interesting commonality between Tom and Julie is a shared life verse that brought them together long before they met. God used Roman's 10:14 to call Julie to missions, when she was on a trip in the Eastern Cape. At 12-years-old, she was reading Romans and that verse specifically spoke to her. "How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of who they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?" Julie was praying and

telling God He needed to send people to those who don't know Him, and He made it clear that He was calling HER!

Similarly, Romans 10:15 called Tom when he was only six-years-old! He remembers being in Sunday school, learning the memory verse while walking on paper cut outs of feet. "And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!'" Tom knew then that he wanted to have feet like that!

When asked if they always knew they wanted to serve the least reached, Julie shared she knew she wanted to live in a Muslim context, while Tom knew he wanted to serve in Africa. So when this small region in North Africa came up, it seemed like the perfect fit!

Reflecting on their hopes for the future, Julie replied, "We try not to think about it too much." Their desire is to live purposefully in the present. She added, "Four years ago, Tom had a dream... while traveling in Ghana. He had a vision of a place where they live life authentically, a place to share, a platform for conversation."

Today, this is what their life looks like! In the mornings, Julie will go to language class, while Tom attends in the afternoons. Their team works on a four-week rotation. Week

one is prayer, week two is rest and admin, while week three is for broad sowing, and week four is for follow up. This outline provides them with a good structure for ministry and being intentional with their time. It also encourages them to establish new connections alongside daily life for their family.

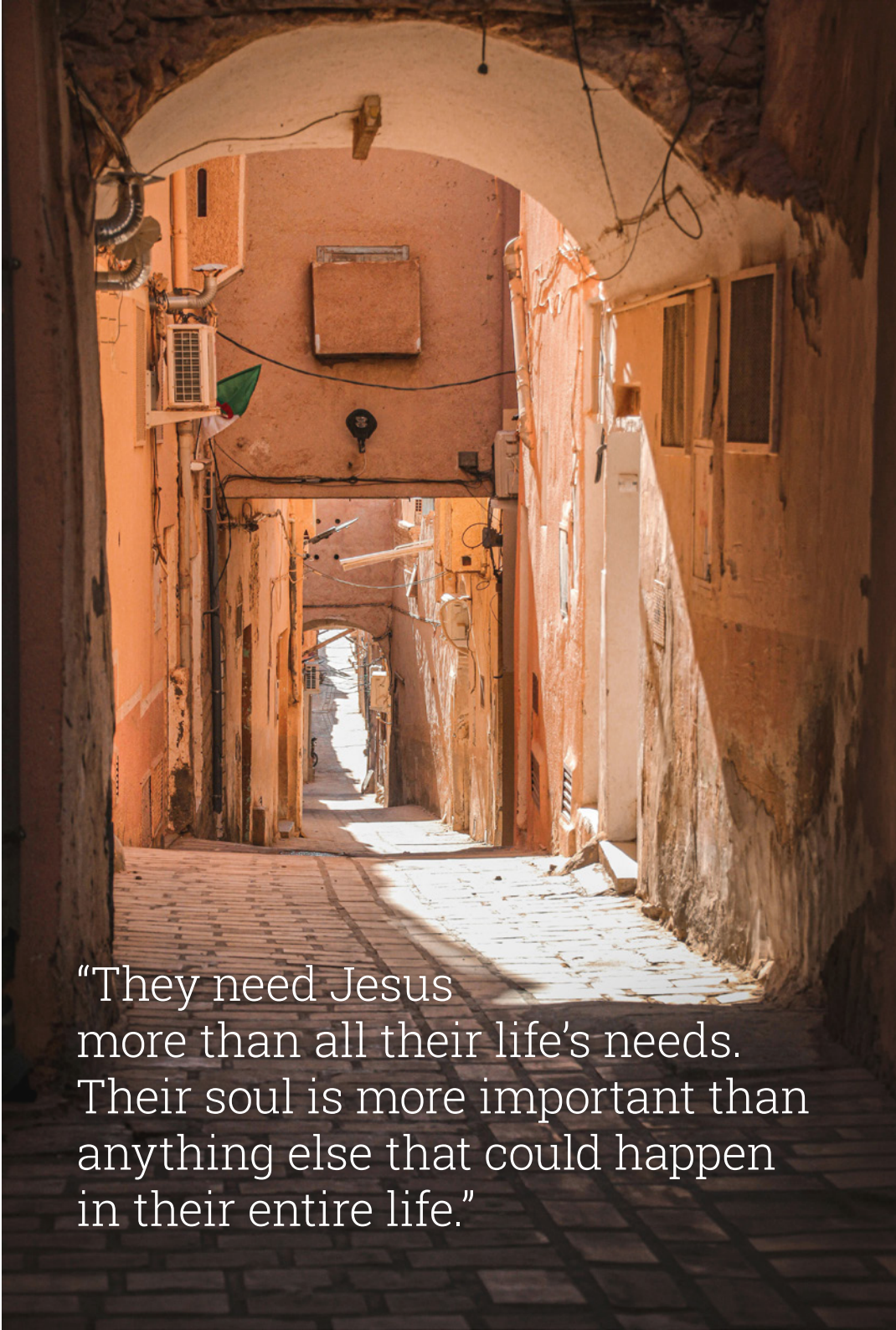
For example, on a week of broad sowing, Julie might take their children to a new playground in hopes of meeting new people and forming new relationships. Perhaps either Tom or Julie will try a new coffee shop or gym class or even a new shop for supplies. All of these provide valuable opportunities for connection.

Another exciting venture for Tom and Julie is co-owning a tutoring center! This choice was strategic as they envision this space to be a place for community and for English education. Their hope is for families to come and learn the language with their children, to read, and to overall connect.

While on base, they were given many tools for a future in ministry. At the time, there was a lot of theory, which prepared them for the work they're doing now. "When you're preparing for a field you've never lived in before, you have no idea how challenging it will be." Now, Tom he has confidence in what he believes. The "romance of missions" has been washed away, and the rose coloured glasses have been removed. Tom admitted he's not the super hero he thought he needed to be, but God still wants to use him.

While it has been challenging to put those things into practice abroad, their commitment to the work, to never give up, has really helped. Julie added, "Don't let the tiredness of the people living there snuff out your zest!" This insight has helped them to keep their eyes on the big picture of the work they're doing. Please keep this servant-hearted couple in your prayers as they continue to serve the Lord and create vibrant communities of Jesus followers!

** names have been changed for security reasons*

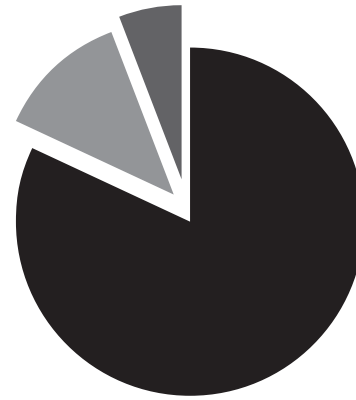


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Financial Report

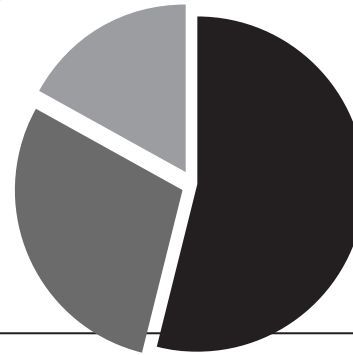
As we reflect on the past year, we are deeply grateful for God’s faithful provision and for the generosity and prayers of our supporters. Each contribution—whether financial, practical, or spiritual—has played a meaningful role in advancing our mission to serve others in Christ’s name. We remain committed to stewarding every resource with integrity, transparency, and care, seeking always to honour God and the trust you have placed in us.

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”
 1 Peter 4:10



INCOME (Total: 30.3 mil.)

- Support Gifts 24.9 mil.
- Other Gifts 3.7 mil.
- Other Income 1.7 mil.



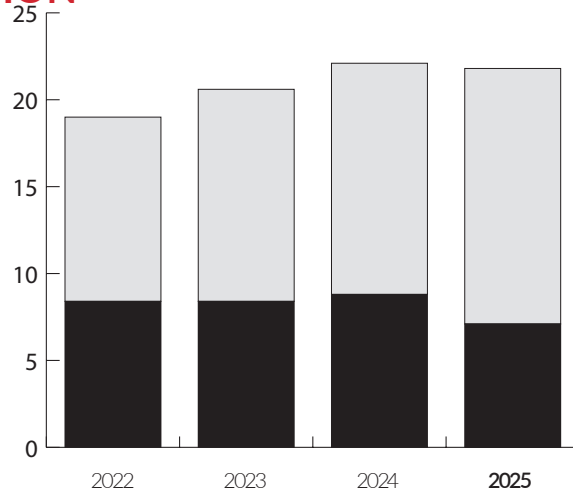
EXPENSE (Total: 29.1 mil.)

- Local Volunteer payments 15.7 mil.
- Funds transferred to ICH 8.5 mil.
- Operational Costs 4.9 mil.

FINANCIAL POSITION

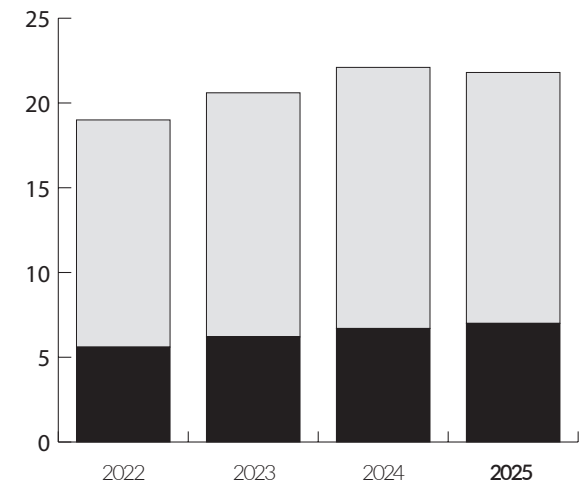
ASSETS (in mil.)


- Non-current Assets
- Current Assets



LIABILITIES (in mil.)

- Liabilities
- Equity





Inspiring and mobilising the Church:

Mobilising update from national workers

EAST COAST REGION

Written by Henry Rinkwest on behalf of the whole team (KZN)

The Lord has blessed us by opening many doors and allowing us to grow our network and relationships with many new churches.

- We were able to connect with and mobilize 44 churches, adding them to our network.
- We collaborated with eight churches, each of which hosted unique events.
- The Lord blessed us with four new couples who became part of our affiliate team.
- Through the Prayer Hub initiative, we were able to motivate 15 churches to have regular Global Prayer Hubs for the least reached.
- We hosted three conferences (including the “150 celebration conference” with the Full Gospel Church),

- In 2025, KZN had approximately 24 people attending Missions Mobilization Training (MMT). This is an increase from previous years. We are now more committed to follow-up on all.

In addition to mobilizing churches, the East Coast Region team invested in building deeper relationships and expanding outreach. They regularly connected with Chinese and Ethiopian churches, hosted trainings and events such as Explore, In’s & Out’s, Ignite, and Partnership, and strengthened ties with pastors through fraternal and home visits. Engagement with youth groups and university students grew, while scheduled team outreaches—including at the Chinese Mall—helped extend their Gospel witness and foster meaningful connections across diverse communities.

NORTHERN REGION

Daniel and Valerie Agulhas

In Johannesburg, 2025 was a year of exciting firsts and fruitful connections. The team partnered with New Life Baptist Church Bosmont during its 50th anniversary, building a lasting relationship that led to ongoing support and plans to welcome Ralph and his wife onto the team. Outreach highlights included joining a Pakistani church and the OM Canadian team at Boksburg Hospital, distributing 300 Bibles with the Gideon Bible Society, and engaging in fellowship with local congregations. They ministered at Ghanaian and Pakistani churches, hosted the In’s & Out’s OM event with 24 attendees, and connected with individuals eager to join future REACH programs. The team also engaged schools, including Alberton Christian Academy’s career expo, and partnered with churches like KCF Kensington and Little Falls Roodepoort, exploring ways OM could strengthen their missions focus. Despite

challenges, such as Kadija Suleiman's illness delaying her MMT participation, the year was marked by deepened relationships, new opportunities, and growing momentum for missions in Johannesburg.

Hercule Steyn

- Spoke monthly to four homeschool groups with a combined attendance of about 150 kids and parents.
- Presented missions prayer at 23 churches, averaging 20 attendees per event.
- Ministered at children's churches five times, with about 30 kids each time.
- Partnered with Heather Anandlal at a kid's holiday club, ministering to 200 children.
- Ministered at a teenager's club with about 40 kids and parents.
- Presented OM and North Korea at MET in Pretoria five times, reaching 30 people each time, mostly African pastors.
- Led a mosque visit with young adults, involving 30 participants.

Testimonies:

Mosque Visit:

"At the debrief, one young woman shared, 'I used to fear Muslims, thinking they wanted to harm me. Today I discovered they are people just like us. From now on, I will pray for them.'"

Missions Prayer:

"A young pastor reflected, 'Your North Korea presentation deeply touched me. I went home and spent the rest of the night learning more about the country.'"

Home Schoolers:

"One parent testified, 'Your presentation on Eritrea moved my daughter so much that she has been faithfully praying for Christians there ever since.'"

Myanmar Session:

"A mother expressed, 'Many thanks for today's session. My two children and I shed tears of empathy for the people of Myanmar. We are so grateful we attended.'"

Netherlands Session:

"Another parent shared, 'My boys found your session on the Netherlands so insightful. It sparked in them—and in me—a deep interest in nations, history, and the world. We parents just want to say thank you! What you are

doing will bear much fruit in our children. We prayed together during your session for the Netherlands, and we will continue to pray.'"

WEST COAST REGION

Theo Dennis

Over the past year, God has opened many doors for missions ministry across Cape Town and beyond. From preaching at conferences and local churches (including Lighthouse Christian Centre, Strandfontein, Edgemoed Methodist, Full Gospel Bothasig, and Grace Presbyterian), to addressing combined gatherings such as Tygerberg's Ascension Day event and 15 Baptist congregations on the Sahel, each opportunity has been a reminder of the urgency of the Great Commission.

Alongside these, I've helped equip believers through Muslim ministry training, Prepare 2 Harvest, and weekly fraternals, while also joining prayer networks like FFA Moriah House and Pinelands. Every Friday with the OM outreach team in the city, and throughout the week in fellowship with pastors and leaders, I've witnessed God stirring hearts for prayer, mentoring, and missions. One highlight was sending Wafiqu, a former Muslim background believer, into Missions Mobilizing Training (MMT) - a



testimony of God's transforming power. Truly, these moments reflect a growing movement of believers united for Kingdom impact.

Bryan Telford

Bryan officially began his role as Regional Coordinator in 2026. His report highlights that the Muslim ministry team conducted trainings at three churches. The team has become more selective in choosing where to train, ensuring that each church includes a practical outreach component alongside the training.

Andre and Peggy Kritzinger

Last year was marked by rich opportunities to partner with churches and ministries across the region. On the first Tuesday of

each month, we joined the **Durbanville for Jesus (D4J)** forum at Oak Hill Church, where around 60 pastors and ministry leaders now gather regularly for worship, prayer, fellowship, and collaboration. This initiative has grown into a beautiful testimony of churches working together, hosting combined prayer events, Easter outreaches, and school holiday programs.

In February, Andre preached at the Congregational Church in Pinelands, and in March we joined Durbanville Presbyterian Church for their annual weekend away, where Andre contributed to the worship team. May saw a month-long campaign to ignite Durbanville for Jesus, culminating in a well-attended communal worship event at Oak Hill Church. In June, we partnered with Beweeg Kerk as OM's Hunter Team led interactive evangelism training, which was warmly received.

From 17–30 August, we joined Pastor Nat Saginario in an outreach to **Pasture Valley Children's Home in eSwatini**, serving alongside the McCubbin family in their ministry to 60 orphaned and vulnerable children. September brought the annual **Mission Expo** hosted by EG Kerk Tygerberg, a vibrant gathering of mission organizations. In November, we facilitated **Mission Awareness Sunday** at Table View United Church, part of a series of four Sundays dedicated to highlighting missions.

The year concluded with the **OM Annual Staff Conference** at Meulstroom in December, a valuable time of fellowship, reflection, and planning. Alongside these events, we engaged with new enquiries, and we celebrate that one of them, **Keshney Dirks**, was accepted for REACH training.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE TOWARDS
THE EFFORS OF OM IN SOUTH AFRICA



Catalogue of opportunities:



Missions Training Base

The Training Base located in South Africa; Pretoria has been the center of preparation for much of OM in South Africa's history.

It continues to play a key role in OM's strategy in providing a multi-cultural environment, for the equipping of both South Africans and International missionaries for least-reached missions service. It contains training facilities and accommodations which are used for a variety of different training courses, whether they be short courses or the home for our flagship REACH program. Thank you for the support from so many, who have helped this ministry continue and flourish.

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There are two main needs for the Training Base:

The first is for the ongoing **repairs and development of the facilities**, to allow for it to continue being a key tool in mobilizing believers to the least reached. Your financial support will assist us to further develop, meet our needs and grow our impact.

Funding required: R 235 230

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The second is the **sustainability project**, which aims to lower the ongoing utility costs for the training base through a **solar system**. The project is in the 2nd phase, where the 1st involved the installation of around half the needed solar panels. Thank you, to those who helped make the 1st phase a success, we are deeply appreciative.

The 2nd phase will involve installing the remaining solar panels needed and batteries to store the power.

Reaching our fundraising goal will help us make the training base more sustainable and lower the cost to equip believers for ministry amongst the least reached.

Funding required: R 1 811 697



Global VCJF Fund

OMZA has been empowering and equipping individuals for the mission field since 1987. Our commitment to steward the resources the Lord and our partners have entrusted to us remains unwavering. We believe that, with the continued support of donors and the guidance of the Lord, we will continue to advance the Kingdom of God and reach the least reached with the Gospel of Christ.

OMZA launched its Generosity Department in 2024 to strengthen relationships with donors, alumni, and stakeholders. The department has stabilized the donor base, secured new partner relations through events, deepened engagement through meetings and site visits, and added volunteer support staff. For 2026, the required financial aid will allow us to continue grow partnerships, steward supporters with excellence, and ensure the financial sustainability needed to advance OMZA's mission.

Funding required: R 762 187

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Meet the team:



Valerie
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Sharen
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In partnership with you, we can share God's love with billions living in the least reached corners of the globe.



“Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!”

PSALM 96:3

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