

THE MANN FAMILY

MATT 9:37-38. THEN SAITH HE UNTO HIS DISCIPLES,
THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTEOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW;
PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST,
THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.

22 JANUARY 2023

SERVING THE LORD IN KLERKSDORP South Africa

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Thank you for your prayers and support of our ministry for the Lord.

As we enter a new year we do so with great hope and expectation, the year of our Lord's return is drawing ever closer, spurring us on to "expect great things from God and attempt great things for God".

SABBATICAL

On the 24th December our children presented us with a plan for Amanda and myself to have a sabbatical. With the help of several people, friends, family and fellow believers, great effort has been made to

allow us this time of refreshment and refocus after 22 years of ministry. We were absolutely overwhelmed by this gift. Preaching schedules have been organised, ministries have been sorted and even our home school support centre schedule has been picked up by our children.

For some time now we have felt worn and stretched, sometimes even a bit battered and bruised by the events of ministry and life. In this last year we have had some core members leave the church, three families, some of whom we have known for two decades, sadly they were not willing to meet with us to discuss their reasons and resolve

any issues that may have arisen. Our hearts are truly broken.

This sabbatical could not have come at a better time, and we appreciate your prayers of thanksgiving for all those making this possible. Please also pray for the church in our absence and our children who will be doing the heavy lifting while we are away.

Pray for the preachers that are going to be coming through and for the congregation to grow and benefit greatly from their ministering.

Amanda and I will be praying and seeking the Lord for wisdom and light for the next phase of our ministry and the next step for the church. Please pray with us as we Rest, Renew, Recall and Reinvest. Our hearts desire is to reconnect deeply with our Lord,

We will be away from church for two months, Feb -March.

NALEDI CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Sadly, due to the trouble with the education department and the community, the school in Ikageng where I have been working since July 2016, finally closed on the 15th of December. All the staff were retrenched. Please pray they can all find work in this new year.

THANKSGIVING

We give thanks for every single one of you who support us in prayer and giving, I now your kindness will be greatly rewarded by our Lord.

God bless you brothers and sisters! We pray for you and are confident that you will abound in every good work in 2023.

In Christ

Paul Mann



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