Days of the Harvest

Equipping Labourers in God's Vineyard

RYAN & JODY FABER | ZAMBIA | JANUARY 2024





PRAYER POINTS

- There is a cholera outbreak in Zambia. Lusaka is an epicentre of the epidemic. Please pray for people's health and safety.
- The first term of the 2024 academic year at Justo Mwale has begun. Please pray for lecturers and students in their teaching and learning.
- We are looking forward to Re-Connect (home service) in July and August. Please pray for our plans and preparations.

As we enter a new year, we remember God's faithfulness in 2023. Our family enjoyed a retreat with Resonate colleagues in the Drakensburg Mountains in South Africa in March. In May we spent a long-weekend at Lake Kariba, the world's largest man-made lake, before Evan and Graeme's departure in June (pictured above). Evan is now living and working in Pella, Iowa. Graeme spent the summer with Jody's parent, working on a farm. In July, Ryan's parents and a brother and his family came to visit. Their stay included a short safari in Botswana and a visit to Victoria Falls. Jody made a quick trip to North America in August to see family, pick up homeschool materials, and fly back to Zambia with Graeme. In late November/early December, Jody's parents visited. Their visit included a safari at South Luangwa National Park in Zambia and a visit to Victoria Falls.

In between, Ryan taught three terms at Justo Mwale University, attended an Africa Society for Evangelical Theology conference, participated in the Association for Christian Theological Education in Africa's general assembly, and visited the Reformed Family Forum's annual meeting, focused on theological education.

Jody educated our children and kept our family clothed and well-fed. She enjoyed a much deserved retreat for women in missions in South Africa in October with Thrive Ministries.

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In December we hosted a mission team from the University of the Free State (South Africa). The team worked alongside JMU students to refinish desks, update a classroom, and repair the campus play park equipment.



Rev. Bright Ngulube, whose senior research Ryan supervised, received his degree in October. Rev. Ngulube now pastors a Presbyterian church in Zambia.





In December 2023, fourth-year students from the Reformed Church in Zambia were ordained. All are now serving congregations throughout the country.

In 2024, we are looking forward to Evan joining us for a retreat with Resonate colleagues in Egypt in March, a reunion with Jody's family to celebrate her parents' 50th anniversary in June, and reconnecting with family, friends, churches, and supporters in July and August. Along the way, Ryan will continue to teach at Justo Mwale University and work to equip African pastors and scholars for service in God's harvest field in southern Africa.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support,

Ryan & Jody, Evan, Graeme, Forin, Bronwyn, Gwennyth, Saeryn, and Norah

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