



Blessed New Year - 2025!



We would like to take a moment to reflect on the past year as we thankfully look back on 2024. There are some highlights we will share with you as we praise God for His continual faithfulness.



This year started with a long journey to the “end of the world”...New Zealand! It was a precious experience to be able to show my two sons where I had grown up. We enjoyed some of the natural beauties this country offers. I spoke at Ilam church which has a special place in our hearts. Years back we ran several large evangelistic series supported by this congregation. I preached at the Autumn Leaves ministry camp meeting where we reconnected with old friends and made many new ones. We also included Australia in this trip as we spent a week on the gold coast. On Sabbath I shared a message at Kingscliff church. Our last week was spent in Melbourne where I taught Bible classes at the Amazing Facts school of evangelism. On our final Sabbath we were blessed to connect with the many students attending Gateway church.



Back in Norway we quickly got into the rhythm of ministering in our local churches, Hønefoss and Jessheim. Two sermon series were held - one in the spring and the other in the fall of this year. The first series is a journey through the miracles of Jesus, while the second series focusses on the Messianic prophecies pointing to Jesus. These messages can be found on the Living Water website. Throughout this year we were so thankful to see new people join Hønefoss church and

by the end of this year we have reached a real milestone. Coming Sabbath we will officially welcome member number 100! God has been so good, and we praise Him for this growth.

A huge personal milestone this year has been the publishing of my first book: "Stories that transform – A fresh look at the parables of Jesus". The book became available last summer in both English (published by Review and Herald) and Norwegian (published by the Norwegian Adventist publishing house). Many copies have already made their way around the world. We are grateful to hear how people are not only personally blessed by reading "Stories that Transform" but also want to share the book with others around them. I am very excited about a new follow up book I am working on that will come out summer 2025. Stay tuned!

Living Water summer camp was once again an absolute highlight of the year. Many expressed that this year's camp was their favorite so far. Cami Oetman and Jan Harry Cabungcal shared powerful messages with us. Our theme "Tell the World" took center stage as we explored what God is doing to empower people to spread the everlasting gospel around the globe. Heartfelt decisions were made and the camp ended with a few beautiful baptisms.

During the summer months we also had the privilege to join two IMPACT events held in Romania and Denmark. Young people dedicated part of their summer to come together, explore God's word, and make a difference in the lives of people. Through various outreach projects connections were made and the gospel was shared. Elias and Enoch loved the location of the Romanian IMPACT. It was a beautiful country setting, but best of all they were able to adopt a few dogs during our stay there.

During the fall I visited the new ARISE training school in Finland. I taught for a few days and really enjoyed connecting with the 40 students who attended the program. This 3-month Bible training school has proven to be a



blessing for hundreds around the world. Previously ARISE ran a program in the United States but currently runs the course in two locations – Australia and now Finland. I will certainly be back to teach the next course in Finland in 2025.

As the year draws to a close, we will once again open our local church in Hønefoss for anyone who would like to fellowship with us on Christmas eve. We want to create a spiritual environment where all feel connected and included. It is with deep appreciation that we realize that such environments are a result of different people using their spiritual gifts in God's work. Both locally and globally we have this year witnessed what God can do when His people allow Him to flow His blessings through them.

We want to thank each of you for partnering with us in diverse ways during 2024. Together we can make a difference in the lives of people. Your prayers and support are so valuable. May this season bring you much joy and strengthen you for the new year ahead. Maranatha!

With love from Daniel, Silvia, Elias & Enoch

