



Revive Our Hearts SA  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
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*Revive Our Hearts*  
SOUTH AFRICA



# 1. Introduction

Man proposes, but God disposes. In this way the report witnesses of an Almighty God who does not leave the works of His Hands. God has once again provided more than we could pray for or think of. Various opportunities to minister, the opening of doors, new connections with organisations, growth in numbers and groups, extension of ministry opportunities, translation of books and so much more, were all part of God's blessing and favour on ROH SA this past year. Romans 11:36 expresses our heart: *"For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory for ever! Amen."*



## 2. Message from the Chairperson of the Board

The year under review reflects a deep and serious run-of-the-mill work for the Lord. The launching of the ministry through the Conference in March 2019, was something of the past and the hard work of building a ministry has started in all earnest. The alignment of the strategic focus areas with our limited resources available, was an important step towards the building process on the foundations already laid. We are investing in important tools to expand the ministry, like our website and new resources to equip woman leaders. We are incredibly grateful for all the assistance and encouragement received from the USA in this regard. The fruit that the resources bears still leaves us in awe of our Saviour. The addition of an ambassador (Wilmie van Tonder) to the South African Team is a great blessing and encouragement from the Lord, showing that He is with us. We can wholeheartedly join David in Ps 34: 8 when he exclaims: "Taste and see that the Lord is good."

Another focus in the past year was to invest in the deeper relationships among team members, as well as their relationship with the Lord. For that I would like to thank each and every one of them, as well as their families who support them to serve our Master. My gratitude also goes out to Retha for leading the team. We also practised good stewardship with the resources that were put in our hands. We ended the financial year with a small surplus.

Lastly I would like to thank the board members (Eddie Smit, Retha de Villiers and Marisa Badenhorst) that served with me during the past year. Your diligence and energy seeking the Lord in all you do, is an inspiration to us all.

*Jannie de Villiers*  
Chairperson



## 3. Focus areas of Revive Our Hearts South Africa

### 3.1. DEVELOPMENT OF ROH RESOURCES

#### 3.1.1. Translations into African Languages

##### **Personal Petitions**

Irene Mphela from Vastfontein translated the book, *Personal Petitions*, into Zulu. The final edition is currently in process before it will be sent for printing.

#### 3.1.2. Contact with publishers

Mari Joubert, the public relations officer between CUM and ROH SA changed employment. A meeting with the new agent from CUM, who has been allocated to ROH SA, has already occurred. Several books, approved by ROH, were introduced to her, with the hope that they will soon be available at CUM.



## 3.2. EQUIPPING AND SUPPORTING OF WOMEN MINISTRY LEADERS

### 3.2.1. Leadership development

At the end of 2019 Wilmie van Tonder was appointed as the first regional ambassador for ROH SA, after receiving ambassador's training in America. She ministers in George and the surrounding areas. The role of the Revive Our Hearts Ambassador is to build relationships with women leaders in her immediate area. It is hoped that support networks will be established within these relationships and that she will be able to equip and encourage these leaders from the resources made available by ROH.



Since her involvement in this role, good relationships have developed between ROH SA and several communities and ministries. As ambassador, Wilmie is attempting to develop strong relationships by contacting three to four of these groups or their leaders monthly.

### 3.2.2. Leadership support

- Retha de Villiers and Wilmie van Tonder hold scheduled, monthly support meetings via the Zoom platform.
- At the beginning of the year, many leaders of the various groups in various towns, who are connected to ROH SA, were contacted and encouraged.
- *Seek Week* 2019 America - Retha de Villiers was blessed to be able to attend the Life Action Ministries' (LAM) 49th *Seek Week* in America in August 2019. This is an annual event where all of the staff and husbands or wives of LAM, namely Revive Our Hearts (ROH), LAM and *One Cry* come together. Spiritual content, networking and relationship building are the focus of the *Seek Week*. The opportunity was most valuable to provide support for Retha in her role as director of ROH SA.



### 3.2.3. Training of small group women leaders

The course material for the small group leaders is complete and ready for presentation. New potential leaders were trained informally during the *Vreugdevol Vrou* Bible study which was presented by Retha de Villiers. Opportunities were created where group members could present small sections of content. After the session they were provided with feedback and an evaluation of their presentation.



### 3.2.4. Development of ROH SA Working Committee

- Regular morning discussions are held to discuss deep spiritual topics in order to prepare and equip the team. The outcome of these opportunities is well represented by the words in 1 Peter 3:15-16: *“But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this in gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behaviour in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.”* Two such morning sessions have already been held and another is planned for later in the year.
- The links to video sessions of the Global Leadership Summit, as well as other leadership training material, are continuously made available to the committee for self-study.
- ROH retreat and team building at Mabula Game Lodge:  
Opportunities for quiet time and bonding at Mabula are always a highlight on the ROH SA Committee’s calendar. While valuable time is spent in the presence of the Lord, relationships and friendships are also strengthened.

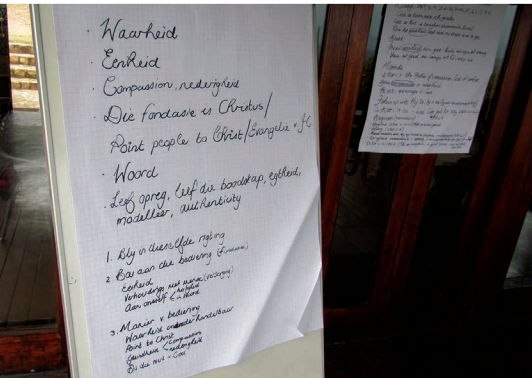
#### 24 and 25 May 2019 Retreat

After the *Come to the Well* conference in March 2019, the ROH SA Committee went on a retreat to seek the Lord’s will for the ministry for the rest of the year. The essence of this quiet time spent with the Lord was:

- a) Continue with the same instruction and direction
- b) Strengthen the foundation of the ministry
  - Be strengthened by the truth of the Word, focus on unity and intentionally build relationships
- c) Ministry approach
  - In Truth, Jesus-centred with a spirit of compassion, humility and gentleness

#### 18 and 19 October 2019 Retreat

The spiritual focus of the weekend was once again to pray for guidance from the Lord for the way forward. The principles from the previous retreat, especially to focus on relationships, were re-confirmed.



Some of our team members during the last retreat - deep in discussion!

### 3.3. DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ROH SA PRODUCTS



*Jy word graag persoonlik uitgenooi na Revive Our Hearts SA se eerste lewendige video opnames in Afrikaans.*

**Tema: Die Evangelie in die Ou Testament**

3, 10, 17 & 24 Maart | 09:30 - 11:30

Aanbieder: Retha de Villiers  
(Toegang gratis)

Kom geniet ligte verversings saam met ons van 9:00 af. **Opnames begin stiptelik 9:30**

RSVP asseblief teen 2 Maart 2020 by **067 094 5919**.  
Beperkte sitplekke beskikbaar.

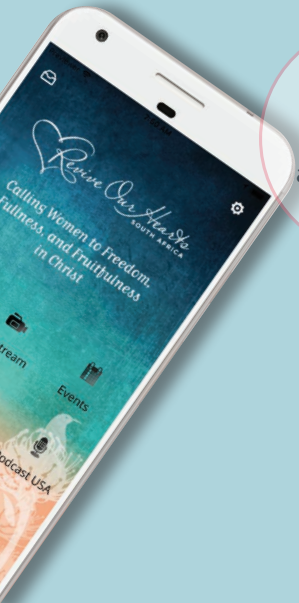
#### 3.3.1. YouTube channel

A door has opened for ROH SA to record Afrikaans Bible study teachings and messages on our own YouTube channel. Dawid Slabbert from Patmos Studios manages the recordings and posting of the material. The recording of the first series by Retha de Villiers commenced in February 2020. Several similar products are planned for the rest of the year.

It is with deep gratitude that we give recognition to Dawid Slabbert from Patmos Studios and Revive Our Hearts (USA) who have made this project financially possible.

### 3.3.2 ROH SA APP

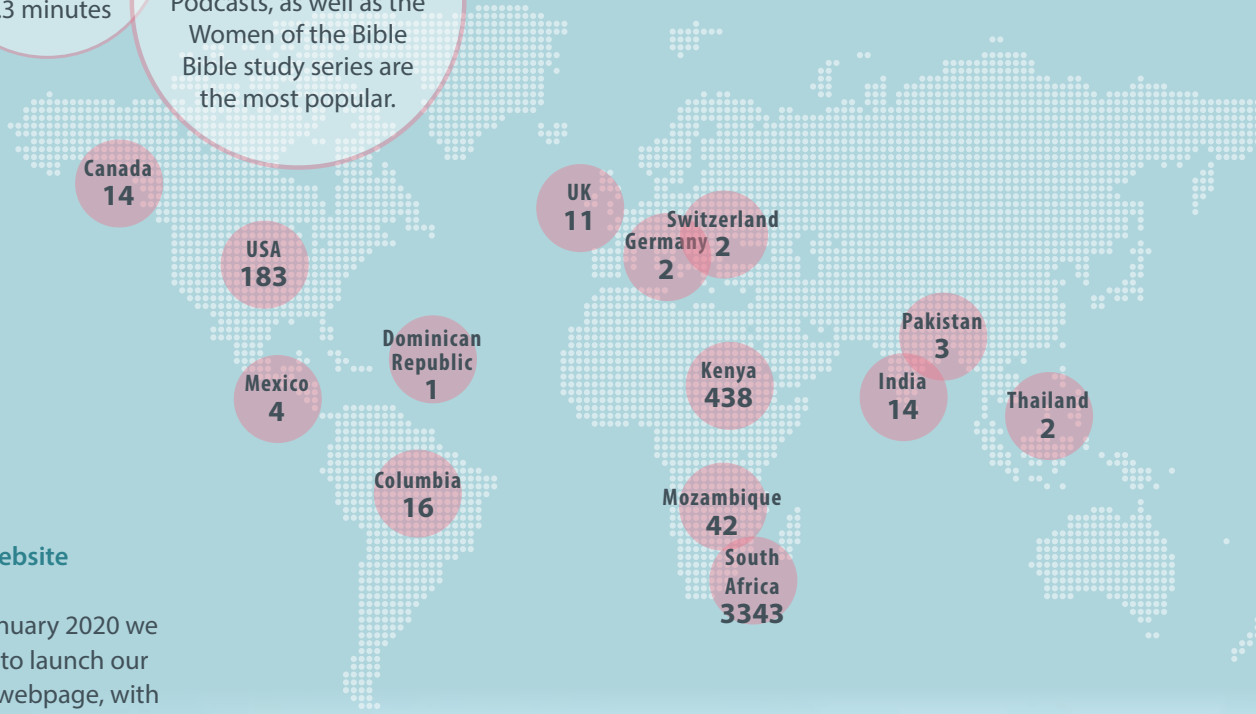
In March 2019 the ROH SA APP was successfully launched on the Android platform and in November 2019 also on the iOS (Apple) platform. To date, according to the report, the APP has been downloaded 501 times and the statistics are as follows:



The average time spent on the APP is approximately 1.3 minutes

Currently the Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth daily Seeking Him Podcasts, as well as the Women of the Bible Bible study series are the most popular.

Another interesting statistic is the number of sessions or times that the APP is used in the countries where it has already been downloaded:



### 3.3.3 ROH SA Website

At the end of January 2020 we were privileged to launch our newly updated webpage, with the assistance of ROH (USA). The webpage is reviewed and updated regularly.

The most recent Afrikaans and English newsletters are posted onto the page every month. Provision has been made to enable loading of some of our recordings and Bible studies onto the page in the future. Another page provides the option for marketing and ordering of ROH books. Since 1 January 2020 the website has been visited 778 times.

A few interesting statistics regarding visits to the website are as follows:

- South Africa 48%
- USA 29%
- China 3%
- France 29%
- Mexico 1%

The popularity of the pages visited is as follows:

Resources	207 visitors
Afrikaans	103
Bible studies	121
Afrikaans newsletters	40
English newsletters	110

It is with hearts filled with gratitude that these statistics are shared. The Lord has enabled us to use this platform to spread His Word.

### 3.3.4. Training of leaders for women's ministry in the church

Marisa Badenhorst has developed a manual for women's ministry in the church. It is ready for presentation to women leaders in congregations.

## 3.4. PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF ROH SA

### 3.4.1. Bible study groups

The number of groups throughout our country using ROH SA material is still increasing. Two Bible study groups bridging cultural boundaries:

#### Pure Hope Girls

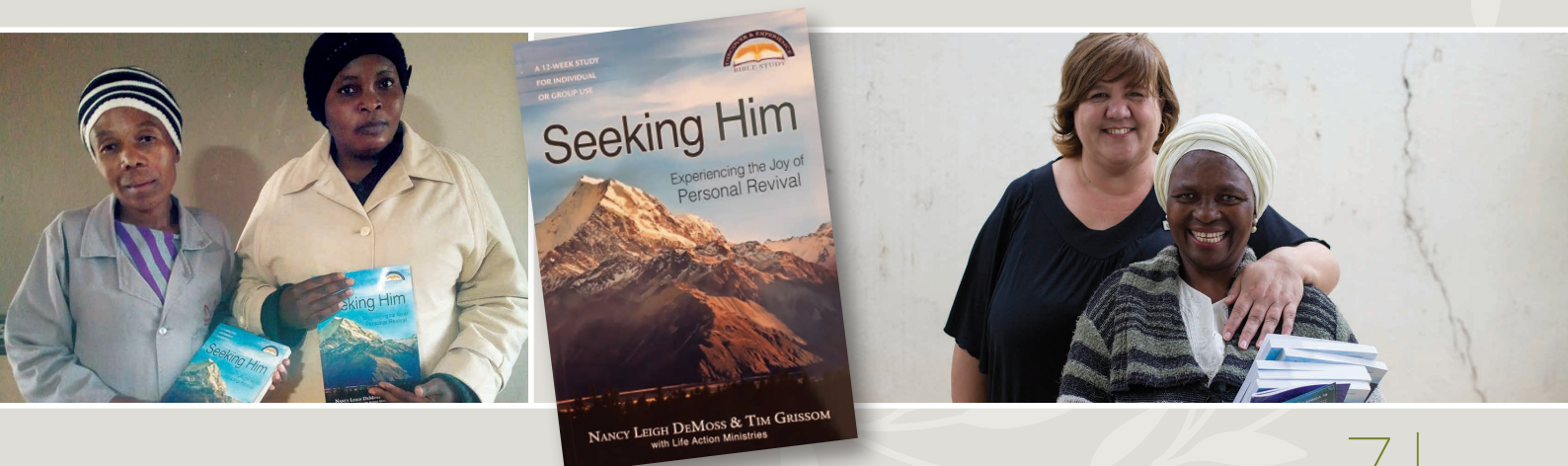
A group of twelve grade 7 and 8 girls from Pure Hope School meet weekly with Marinda Prinsloo and Leanie de Korte. The book *Lies girls Believe* was studied with them. This gave the opportunity to deal with several matters, such as, the lies they believe about God and themselves. This has definitely enabled their spiritual growth. A sleepover get-together at the end of 2019 was a great success. The confidence to participate in discussions and the bond between the girls and the presenters has grown during the year.



#### Vastfontein

Corne Loots presents three Bible studies for women in the Vastfontein Community, including one for African women and one for Afrikaans-speaking women. Leadership training is a priority and with the support of Corné the women are encouraged to lead the groups.

Corné is currently simplifying the *True Woman 101 Divine Design* study in order to make it user friendly for the African context.



### 3.4.2. Radio stations

Retha de Villiers was given the opportunity in January 2020 to share the work of ROH SA during an actuality program on RSG radio station. Interest in ROH was shown after this and as a result someone joined a Bible study group.

### 3.4.3. Local Churches

- The Evangelical Reformed Congregation in Pretoria East is using the book *Brokenness* by Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth with a group of 20 elderly members
- The ministry was introduced to two Doxa Deo congregations namely Bloemfontein and Hatfield, with the possibility of using ROH material.

### 3.4.4. Ministry opportunities

#### Nampo

The annual Nampo Agricultural shows in Bothaville and Bredasdorp attract people from all over South Africa. Retha de Villiers had the opportunity to give ROH exposure at these shows through a daily presentation for women.

*Retha in action at Nampo during the morning devotional time - inspiring women from all over the country.*

#### Other ministries

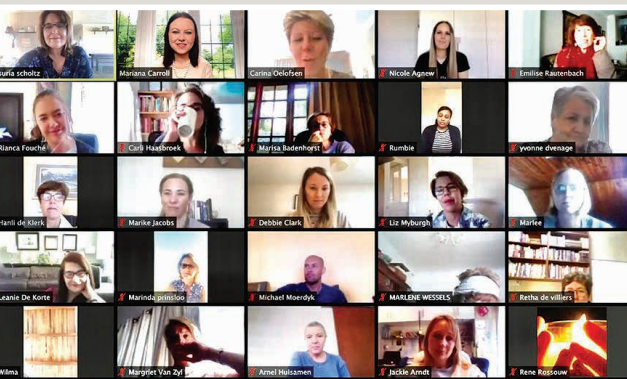
##### • Seeking Him SA Online Conference

Three ROH SA Committee members had the opportunity on 4 and 5 October 2019 to experience the *Seeking Him '19* Conference with a group of women from W@W Ministries. The Word-based conference messages were live-streamed to a venue in Midrand. Individuals could also stream the messages enabling more women throughout the country to participate in the conference.

- The association between ROH SA and W@W Ministries still provides much exposure to the ministry. Several ROH Bible studies and books have been presented by ROH committee members via this platform.

- The TW 101 Bible study group presented by Retha de Villiers provides exposure from ROH SA to the Heart Cry Ministry as the director's wife and one of their employees attended this group.

*Great online activity during the ROH SA and W@W Bible studies*



*Seeking Him '19: some conference goers enjoying the event.*

## 4. Finances at 29 February 2020

(Currency = ZAR)

<b>Income</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Sales</b>	106 970	33%	8 780	14%
<b>Donations</b>	23 914	7%	53 580	86%
<b>Interest income</b>	1 937	1%	-	
<b>Book donations</b>	190 127	59%	-	
<b>Income Total</b>	<b>322 949</b>		<b>62 450</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>%</b>
Accounting Fees	17 181	11%	-	-
Sundry	17 195	11%	7 040	9%
App development	19 502	13%	15 000	18%
Bank charges	2 356	2%	2 840	3%
Ministry Trans-Cultural	19 280	13%	15 590	19%
Translation Fees	2 000	1%	-	-
Conferences (2020 RSA / 2019 USA)	47 230	31%	27 400	33%
Printing and Stationery	20 883	14%	10 810	13%
Travel and Accommodation	5 750	4%	4 280	5%
<b>Expenses Total</b>	<b>153 645</b>		<b>83 320</b>	
<b>Net Profit / (Loss)</b>	<b>169 303</b>		<b>(20 870)</b>	

## *Calling Women to Freedom, Fullness, and Fruitfulness in Christ*



### 5. Closure

“Take care of the depth and God will take care of the width” are the resonating words of the Revive Our Hearts Leadership. These words also became the focus of ROH SA for 2019. In 2018 most of our energy was spent on the Come to the Well Conference of March 2019. During our annual, spiritual planning weekend in May 2019, we experienced that the Holy Spirit confirmed that we must not attempt new things, but that we must first strengthen our foundation. As we now preferably work deeper rather than wider, much time has been spent on relationships with new leaders and the establishment of structures. The outcome of this guidance from the Lord is contained in the report and for that we are grateful.

We prayerfully and expectantly look forward to what the Lord wants to do with ROH SA in the next season.

*Retha de Villiers*

South African Director



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