



בני יעקב

To BLESS:

ANY Jewish person

ANY where in the world, In

ANY way possible



Shalom

Shalom dear friends.

I hope and pray that you are all safe and walking in the loving embrace of our heavenly Father in spite of the current state of affairs in the world today! I wanted to give you an update of our activities in Jewish communities around the world. In spite of the ban on certain travel, we are able to not only maintain our current projects but begin new ones as well.



ETHIOPIA

As you can imagine the already struggling economy is almost on life support. The exchange rate against the American dollar has doubled. This is great for our work there, but it is almost a death sentence for the poorest of the poor. We have increased our monthly support of the 50 most needy families in the Jewish community of Kechene. We are trying to add more people as funds allow. We have finished our first cycle of job training and are ready to put five families on the path of financial independence. Last year we helped 75 children attend school. This year we are helping 100 children. Hannah, our Ethiopian Director, gets to share her faith in Messiah with many of the families that we are helping.



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ETHIOPIA



Sewing Machines purchased for our Ethiopian job training students



One of our Ethiopian job training students



UKRAINE

Though locked down for several months the soup kitchens which we support are now open. Some 100 people are served lunch 5 days a week. For some it is their only meal of the day. If they are physically unable to come to the soup kitchen then a meal will be brought to their home.



RUSSIA THE CAUCASUS MOUNTAINS



Building a greenhouse is hard work

Russia is a new and very difficult field for us. There are a number of impoverished Jewish people scattered in small villages throughout the region. With the help of our Polish partner Ireq and a local Pastor with a heart for the Jewish people we have begun two projects. The first, is a chicken farm to provide meat and eggs during the bitter winter months when money is almost non-existent. The second, is a green house to provide produce during the winter and to raise funds for these Jewish people to help provide wood for the winter so they can heat their homes.



Working on the greenhouse

USA



Yes, our humble congregation here in the heartland continues to grow. We had about 40 people at our last shabbat service. We had to knock down a wall so we would have enough room to social distance. My vision for this congregation is the same as it was in Philadelphia at Beth Emanuel. Many of you remember our days there, many of you faithfully supported that work. Our vision is:

- 1) To provide a safe place for Jewish people to learn about their Messiah. We have about 6 Jewish people who attend regularly.
- 2) To provide a place for Christian people to learn about the roots of their faith, and what they are “grafted” into.
- 3) To instill in all a love for, and understanding of our debt to Israel.



Our local congregation in Springfield Missouri

ISRAEL



Though the government provides for the basic needs of its poorest citizens there are still items that they can not afford. Items such as adult diapers are expensive and greatly needed. We are helping these needy, elderly, Jewish people maintain respect and dignity. The greatest desire of our Israeli partners is to see the Jewish people come to faith in Messiah. That is our greatest desire as well.



Personally, the Friedman clan continues to grow. Our Daughter, Elisa, married Yuri G. of Karmiel, Israel on July 3rd. I had the privilege of conducting the service as the Friedman clan gathered for the first time in many years. It was a joyous reunion.

With all that is changing in the world today, the L-rd will never change! He is the same “yesterday, today and forever”. All who know Him, trust that He is able to keep us through it all! So, we will continue the work that He called us to more than 30 years ago to bring the truth of the Messiah to the Children of Jacob scattered around the world. Because of you we will continue the work and with your help we will even be able to increase our work. No matter what obstacles we face, “We can do all things through Messiah who gives us strength”.

As a reminder for our dear friends in the Penn-Del district of the Assemblies of God. The district has graciously decided to grant world missions giving credit for those Penn-Del churches who support the work of Children of Jacob. After almost 30 years as an AG missionary from Penn-Del I can tell you, that this is greatly appreciated!



VIXIE'S VIEWS

The day was absolutely enchanting and captivating, full of love and the promise of a lifetime together! Our daughter, Elisa, married the love of her life, Yuri, on July 3rd in a beautiful outdoor ceremony surrounded by her family, friends of all ages, and her dance students that she has taught and mentored through the years. Elisa and Yuri met last year in Israel when her ballet company, Petra, toured Israel and Europe and Yuri did their sound for their performances in Israel.

I loved every moment of helping her plan this momentous day and anticipating the time that we could all be together as a family, which does not happen often enough to suit me. And now that the day is a memory and Elisa and Yuri are making a home for themselves, I have a new understanding of why G-d uses the analogy of a wedding to capture the love and plans He has for us and our future. Looking at Yuri's face as he watched Elisa walk down the aisle, I could see by his face and smile that he was enraptured with his bride; he could hardly speak as he viewed her. And Elisa, appropriately dressed in white, had spent hours preparing herself for that moment. What a beautiful picture to look forward to, when Yeshua will view us, His bride, with that look of love and rapture shining forth from His eyes. And what encouragement for us, His bride, to prepare ourselves to receive Him!

Members of the wedding party included siblings, nieces, nephews, and the members of Petra that Elisa had not only danced with daily for years, but these girls had prayed together, shared joys and heartaches, and had lived life in community. All of the people attending the wedding were people who had known Elisa and Yuri in various capacities and loved them; they were there to witness this momentous event and share in their joy. As we feasted together and then danced together, our delight in being together and the activities of the evening was evident. I saw a glimpse of the marriage supper of the Lamb and His bride as we celebrated together. And we know that this analogy is pointing us to something very real, that will happen sometime in the future, and for this reason we continue to labor through Children of Jacob. God plans that everyone, Jew and Gentile, will be able to celebrate this marriage supper. And so, we work, together with your help, to ensure that every Jew will receive an invitation, accept that invitation, and take their place at the table.



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"I will bless those who bless you,..."

Genesis 12:3