

“Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory.”

Psalms 73:23-24 NIV

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Shalom, my friends,

As you are reading this letter, it is my privilege and honor to be in the Holy Land of Israel. I departed from my home in Phoenix,

Arizona on February 22,

and will be back in the United States on March 15. During these three weeks, I will be spending most of my time with our MJMI workers. In addition, I plan to visit with five of my friends who are Messianic congregational leaders in the Land. I will even have the opportunity to be present with one of these congregational leaders as he celebrates his daughter's Bat Mitzvah!

The Lord Leads

As I told you last month, we began supporting a new worker in Ashdod during the month of January. While in Israel, I will be spending a few days with him and his wife, and I look forward to sharing more about this new worker next month. In addition to my visit in Ashdod, I will also be spending time with two additional people who may possibly become MJMI workers. One lives near the city of Tel Aviv, and the other is in the Galilee area. As the Lord leads, one or both of these individuals could become our newest MJMI workers.

It is extremely exciting to be part of this evangelistic team, whose efforts are reaching many Jewish people with the plan of atonement. We are partnering with more than ten Israeli evangelists, as well as five congregational leaders who support these workers while continuing to raise up new evangelists. But the team would not be complete with you—the MJMI partners—who make it possible for these men and women to spend time fulfilling their call.

Not only are you a crucial part of our evangelistic team through your financial sup-

port, but your prayers are vitally important as well. Please remember to lift the ministry of MJMI in prayer, asking God to continue leading and directing us as we spread the Good News to the Jewish people. Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will give our workers great insight and revelation, that hundreds—or even thousands—of Israeli Jewish people will come



Aviel, one of our workers in the Tel Aviv/Jaffa area, has recently experienced several changes in his life. The Lord has brought a young woman named Tania into his life, and they are engaged to be married this month. [Photo Above: Aviel with his fiancée, Tania] Aviel has also completed his tour of duty in the army, and he is now working at a gas station. He has shared the Good News of Yeshua with his coworkers, and he asks you to pray for their salvation. Let's lift Aviel in prayer, asking God to continue guiding his steps and using him to reach many Jewish people with the message of their promised Messiah. [Photo Above, Right: Aviel, on far right, with some of his coworkers.]



to know their Messiah Yeshua (Jesus) as Lord and Savior.

Worker Update

The Lord is faithful to guide this ministry as a whole, and He is also directing the individual paths of our workers. One of our workers, Aviel (Andre), recently shared how God is leading him into many new things. Since the last time we shared about Aviel in a newsletter, several changes have taken place in his life.

Previously, Aviel was a soldier in the IDF (Israel Defense Forces), and he has now completed his tour of duty. He is working a regular job, while faithfully pursuing his main calling from God as an evangelist. Here are some of his words:

“First of all, I want to wish you joy, immense love and grace in our wonderful Lord! I also want to share with you that my days as a single man are coming closer to the end. Halleluiah!!!! I have a fiancé—a gift from the Lord. Her name is Tania. You may remember that I received a prophecy from the Lord that I would get married in three years, and this prophecy was confirmed through another believer. Well, God kept His word. In exactly three years, God brought a wonderful person into my life, and it was completely changed.

“I really want to share a few testimonies with you that I thought were very interesting. I honestly saw the hand of God in them. We have been working in the city of Petach-Tikva, personally distributing the “Yeshua” video to those who express interest. Many Israelis who have watched this movie and received our literature have expressed a desire to order and read the New Testament. We have had many interesting meetings, and we see that God is working powerfully with Russian Jewish immigrants as well as with native Israelis.

“One day, while I was delivering the tapes, I called someone who had placed an order for a video. His name was Hezi. The woman who answered the phone immediately understood that it was regarding their order, and she said I could stop by. I took their cassette and went up to their floor, and you can imagine how surprised I was to see a big portrait of a famous Rabbi hanging on their door. I immediately realized that it was a religious family, but I felt no fear.

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"I rang the doorbell, and the same woman I had spoken to on the phone answered the door. I asked for Hezi, but she completely ignored my request and asked to take a look at the cassette. When she realized the movie was about Yeshua (religious people often order it because they mistake it for a movie about Joshua), she started raising her voice at me, saying, 'We don't want to know about Him.... We don't want this video! Who are you anyway?' It's a good thing her husband wasn't home!"

"I had already made up my mind to leave, when all of a sudden, a fourteen-year-old chubby little boy with a head covering ran up to me, took the video and started yelling, 'This is my movie! I ordered it...' It was Hezi! To my amazement, after a long argument between Hezi, his mother and his sister (who came rushing to help her mom), Hezi won!!! He managed to convince everyone that they all needed to watch this movie. He even placed an order for a Bible with a New Testament. I have never seen someone who was so stubborn and so interested in watching a movie—about Yeshua no less! It was obviously God's hand, and it caused me to believe that many will be saved through their children."

Hearts Are Open

The Lord is opening the hearts of his Jewish people in the Land of Israel!

Aliyah News

Please continue to support needy Jewish families from the Former Soviet Union in their desire to make *Aliyah* (immigrate to Israel). These families are struggling just to make ends meet, and they do not have the necessary resources to journey to their true homeland. While it seems like only a small amount to many of us, these families cannot afford the \$300 it takes for each person to complete the *Aliyah* process. Your gifts can make their dream a reality! Whether you can give a few dollars, enough for one person, or enough for a whole family, your donation will be a great blessing!

Hallelujah! Aviel went on to share more about the work God is doing through his ministry:

"After the project to distribute the video in Petach-Tikva was complete, I felt strongly that I should continue working there, and not lose touch with the people who had already received the video. God gave me the idea to offer them a Tanach (Old Testament) and New Testament together. This version is most interesting and clear for the reader who is not familiar with the New Testament, and

for our sins.

"I told her about our congregation, and she was surprised to learn that we celebrate all the Jewish holidays, we pray for our people, and our sermons are in Hebrew. As I left, she thanked me and told me our conversation was very good. I believe that there will soon be great fruit!"

The Work Continues

Aviel and all of our other **MJMI** workers are on the front lines in the Land of Israel.

These men and women are reaching many Jewish people with the Good News of Yeshua, their promised Messiah. As time continues to rush forward, these workers are seizing every opportunity to proclaim Salvation to all who will listen.

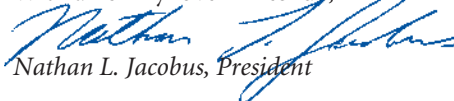
My friends, we could not do this work without your financial support. Not only does your partnership allow our workers to have the time and freedom to do the work of evangelism in the Land of Israel, but you are also giving Jewish people from the Former Soviet Union a great gift. You are helping them to return to Israel, their true homeland—but also to move from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of light.

Please take a moment right now, to ask the Lord how He wants you to be involved with

this work. Maybe you can start giving today for the first time. Perhaps during 2005, you can give double what you have faithfully been giving. If The Lord has blessed you with enough resources to send \$500—just the amount needed to support an Israeli **MJMI** worker for one month—that would be a great blessing.

Praise God for His blessings and provision through you, our faithful partners. Please know that your financial gifts of any amount—as well as your daily support in prayer—are crucial to this ministry. As we continue to work together, I pray that we will soon see the day when all Israel will cry out, "Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!"

With all of my love in Yeshua,


Nathan L. Jacobus, President



All of our MJMI evangelists live in the Land of Israel—they speak the Hebrew language and are part of the Israeli culture. As they go about their daily lives, these workers come into contact with many Jewish people who do not know Yeshua, their promised Messiah. Please pray that the Lord will give these men and women many opportunities to share the plan of atonement with their fellow Israelis. May we soon see the day when all Israel cries out, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

it has tables at the end to explain fulfilment of prophecies from the Tanach in the New Testament. When I came into people's homes, God moved mightily with these tables, allowing me to explain that Yeshua is the Messiah for whom they have been waiting.

"Recently, I had a remarkable meeting with Sarah, who teaches the Old Testament in schools. She asked me for a Tanach and the New Testament, and from the first words of our conversation I was wonderfully surprised. She said, 'I have been waiting for this book for a long time.' We then spoke about the prophecies regarding Yeshua, and to my surprise, she knew many chapters of the Old Testament by heart, including Isaiah 53 and many other passages. She thought that Isaiah 53 spoke about Israel as a people who suffered, but I showed her that this chapter talks about the person whom we, the Jews, despised. At that point, she really began to understand that Isaiah talks about the person who has died