

*“I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.”*  
 Matthew 3:11 NIV

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Shalom, my friends,

We are entering into a new year. 2010 is behind us, and 2011 lies ahead. I want to take this time at the beginning of a new year to thank you for being partners with MJMI in many

ways. By your prayers and financial giving, you have helped to make possible all the good things Adonai has done through MJMI in 2010. We have truly focused on the mission of MJMI (Global Jewish Evangelism). You will read in

this letter how our Israeli evangelists have done their part of this mission. Also, many other things have been accomplished through the work of MJMI: aiding Jewish people from many areas of the world to make

Aliyah, so that they now live in Israel; feeding the hungry, and other humanitarian projects; discipleship training and equipping; planting congregations; mission work; working with youth and children; and supporting the work of congregations in Israel, the U.S., and people in the U.K.

I know that many of you are going through tough times, with losing jobs, prices of gasoline and groceries rising, and some even losing their houses. I want you to be encouraged: these were our houses for a time, but our HOME is yet to come, and it is much better. I pray that things financial and in every way will improve for you, and that Adonai will bless you abundantly. Through your generosity, the plan of

atonement is being preached by Israeli evangelistic workers you are helping to support, and many of our Jewish brothers and sisters are coming to know their promised Messiah, Yeshua (Jesus).



**Last month, Israel experienced a devastating fire in the Mount Carmel area (center), followed by extreme weather throughout the Land. The Golan area received**



**the highest amount of snow recorded in the last twenty years (top), and severe rain storms pounded other parts of the country (left). Let us pray that Israel will embrace her Messiah, and see His fire fall—the fire that brings life instead of death. And even as the Jewish people rejoice at the giving of rain, may they come to know the Living Water, who alone can satisfy their thirst.**

### The Lord Saves!

For me, the greatest highlights of 2010 have been hearing about the hundreds of Jewish people who have embraced Yeshua as their personal Lord and Savior. Not long ago, I., one of our MJMI “friends”, sent me the following. As we (MJMI) have a significant connection with him and the congregation he



**At I.'s congregation, located in a southern city of Israel, it is truly a time of great excitement and rejoicing every time that new believers are immersed (baptized)!**



leads in a southern city of Israel, I am dedicating the majority of this letter, the first of 2011 to news from this ministry. He wrote:

“Recently, we went with our whole congregation as well as some new believers to a place where they could receive water immersion. It was such a joyous and wonderful event. Fifteen people were immersed into new life in the Messiah Yeshua. It was so exciting to see the passion in people’s eyes for this new life they received from God.”

### Facing Religious Opposition

In addition to such joyous news, I. also told me about a situation that needs much prayer. He wrote, “Recently we learned that our landlord was contacted by an anti-messianic organization *Yad l’Achim*. This organization’s sole purpose is to persecute believers in Israel. They try to find legal ways to do so, but often simply resort

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to bullying and pressuring people.

“Yad l’Achim representatives who contacted our landlord warned him about renewing his lease with us, because we are ‘missionaries’ who ‘convert Jews’. Our landlord actually defended us, saying he has every intention to renew the contract with us, simply because he never had a single problem with us as tenants.

“Of course, this made *Yad l’Achim* even more aggressive and they said they intend to rally large protests in front of our congregation building. Unfortunately, they did the same thing with our congregation in another city and forced them out of their building, by pressuring the landlord not to renew his contract with our brothers. Now they are forced to gather in a small apartment.

“Even through they tried to use the same technique on our landlord, he was firm in his decision to defend us. And, Praise God, we renewed our lease with him for two more years!

“From past experience with *Yad l’Achim*, we know their threats are real. And we ask you to please pray with us that whatever opposition we might face from them will accomplish the opposite of what they intended, and people will hear about our congregation and will be drawn to learn more about God.”



## A Family’s Salvation

In I.’s letter, he also shared about an entire family who recently came to faith. He wrote, “While we were distributing food parcels in our Food Distribution center, an elderly woman came in. One of our evangelists, A. [another of our MJMI “friends”], who is also coordinator for our humanitarian projects, felt the need to pray for her, so he asked if she had any spiritual needs or sicknesses. She said she has an 11-year-old grandson who has trouble controlling his bowels movements. The doctors aren’t able to help and simply gave up. The family even found witch doctors, paid a lot of money and nothing helped. She ended up taking A.’s phone number and said that the boy’s parents will be contacting him.

“Not long after that, he did get a phone call from the father, who asked A. to come and pray for his son. A. and E. (my assistant pastor) went to pray for the boy and his family. They spent a long time talking about God and then they prayed for the boy. Then the boy’s mother asked if we could also pray for her health, because she had lumps all over her body, and also for her job because she lost it recently. The father said he didn’t want prayer.

“A short time later, the father called A. to say that his son started going to the toilet regularly and he doesn’t have any more problems controlling his bowel movements. His wife got a call to come back to her old job and the lumps on her body are all gone! The father said, praise God, I see He is truly with you and now I would also like for you to pray for me. He said he had constant dizziness, headaches, high blood pressure, stomach pains. We came to see him and he told us he once went to a fortune teller and she told him that he would die young. Since then all his health problems started.

“After we spoke, he immediately accepted the Lord into his heart and we prayed for his healing. After a few days, we got a phone call from him and he said he was completely healed and everything is wonderful now. These days, the whole family (pictured above, with A.), including the grandmother, attends our Friday services. Hallelujah!”

## A Season of Giving

My friend, it is your financial gifts that allow us to reach the Jewish people—especially those in the Land of Israel—with the Good News of their Messiah, Yeshua. If you feel called to partner with us, or are already one of our partners, you can use the enclosed envelope to send your first donation of 2011 right now! Whether you are making a commitment to partner with us on a monthly basis, or you are able to bless us with a large, one-time gift, please know that we are tremendously thankful for your support. Every gift, no matter

how large or small is a great blessing!

While it may seem that I am constantly begging for prayers and money, my only motivation is a deep love for my Jewish brothers and sisters. I know that you share this love with me, and I thank you in advance for helping us reach God’s chosen people with the message of Salvation found only in Yeshua (Jesus). May you and all your loved ones be blessed during this New Year, and as we continue to work towards the day when all Israel cries out, “*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!*”

With all of my love in Yeshua,

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