Messiah's Light for Israel- Newsletter March 2021



Shalom and "Chag Pesach Sameach" (Happy Passover holiday) dear brothers and sisters!

Grace to you and peace from God and the Lord Yeshua HaMaschiach.

First and foremost we praise GOD for you all, for your prayers and standing by our side, for helping us to reach the lost and bless the body of Messiah in the land.

As it is written in the Letter to the Hebrews:

"For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister." (Hebrews 6:10)

After a very difficult and really challenging year of the corona pandemic and many closures during it, we hoped that the elections that took place in Israel three days ago would have a clear result and that we would be able to return to normal.

We expect a new government that would finally make the right and beneficial decisions to restore the people and put the economy into regular operation. Unfortunately, this did not happen in the last four elections either.

For the past two years, we seemed to be world champions in elections, in fact there is almost no government because there are no budgets and decisions are being taken randomly. We are currently in a political and government stalemate and need your prayers.

Just as Isaiah prophesied (Is 9:18-20): "Through the wrath of the Lord of hosts The land is burned up, And the people shall be as fuel for the fire; No man shall spare his brother..."

It seems that in Israeli politics everyone is against everyone.

SOUPKITCHEN

"The poor and needy seek water, but there is none,
Their tongues fail for thirst.

I, the LORD, will hear them;
I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them." (Isaiah 41:17)

This prophecy was first given to the prophet Isaiah in everything related to the restoration of the people of Israel and its inheritance. But we also believe with all our hearts that it is God's will for us that we continue to serve the poor, the needy, the widows, the drug users and prostitutes, to proclaim the gospel of the kingdom and to complete our call by always and at all times being a living testimony to the lost, wherever God calls us to bear witness to the good news of Messiah.

As we shared last time, we are not allowed to host everybody inside the soup kitchen as we used to do; yet we have delighted, through this past winter season, in cooking nice and hot homemade soups and nourishing food, which we serve right out of the door.

By doing so people's hearts become open and receptive to receive the good news of salvation.

By the way, we have known and preached the Gospel to a young man, Alex. He is a Jew from France, whom has made "aliyah". He is alone in the country and spiritually lost. He has shared with us several times about his sinful way of living and the need to change his life. He is going after prostitutes and misusing his little money to drink alcohol.

We are looking after him, he joins us every week to sit and enjoy some meal with us inside. We also provide him with food and other household items he might need. We want him to see us as a family and to perceive the love of God through this. Please pray for his salvation.

We are very excited to tell you that some religious Jews are also visiting our place and spending time with us. They can see our testimony in such a place like this, they listen to the Gospel and they have questions that we are ready to answer. We love them and long for their salvation!

WORKERS INTO THE FIELD

We have prayed God to push workers into this field and He is faithfully doing so. He has sent Daniela, a sister whom out of genuine love and desire to serve God is helping us regularly.

There is also a group of young believers joining us from different parts of Israel every Thursday to distribute hot tea and sandwiches to the needy in the street. We bless them and appreciate much their effort to come to Tel Aviv every week.

By the way, they distribute the hot tea in beautiful thermos cups which were generously donated by our dear brethren from Chorea.

God has sent also a lovely, zealous brother for Yeshua from Ethiopia, he is called Masganu. He is one of the leaders of one Ethiopian congregation and of the respective youth group. Along with other brothers and sisters he will also take on the serving activities towards the needy.

We praise our Heavenly Father for every brother and sister and for every provision. Hallelujah!

Dear brothers and sisters, we see and face in this area the destruction that sin brings into people's lives.

Men and women (drug addicts, prostitutes and trans gender) come here, sometimes utterly stoned. They can barely stand on their feet or listen to the good news. However, we are willing to remain faithful to the calling of God and to stand by their side, comforting them by assisting them with some of their needs and mainly by preaching the good news and praying for them.

Thank God, there are some women opened to listen and one of them recently confessed Yeshua as her Messiah. Halleluyah!

There is another issue for which we would like you to intercede: the wealthy men in luxury cars whom approach this place seeking to enjoy from the women's services. One of them is called Isaac.

May the Lord grant them repentance as well!

"Comfort, yes, comfort My people!"
Says your God.
Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and cry out to her,
That her warfare is ended,
That her iniquity is pardoned;
For she has received from the Lord's hand
Double for all her sins." (Isaiah 40:1)

We praise God for giving us the ability to fulfil this passage in this end times period, not only at the soup kitchen but also reaching out wherever God opens us the door.

FELLOWSHIP

We rejoice in telling you that our place has become, more than ever, a place for fellowship with one another, since we do not have the chance to meet as a congregation at the church premises.

Therefore, at the soupkitchen, we spend time together, serving, praying for one another, encouraging and feeding the flock of God with His word.

We have also been gathering in small home groups and making some picnics in the parks to enjoy ourselves, to fellowship and to worship our heavenly Father!

Please pray that love will not grow cold and for the body of Messiah to grow in unity, for this is our Lord's prayer and joy as well!

Please pray that we will be found good stewards over everything God has entrusted us through this ministry.

To Him be the glory, the might and the honor, for ever and ever. Amen, amen!

Shlomi Nachum.

P.S: Please make sure you do not miss the video following this letter as one picture is worth a thousand words...