

G'sherim Purpose Statement, Objectives, and Methodology

Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry Mission Statement:

The Friends of Israel is a worldwide Christian ministry communicating biblical truth about Israel and the Messiah, while fostering solidarity with the Jewish people.

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G'sherim is an internship program of The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry equipping Christians to build bridges between the Christian and Jewish communities by *servicing* the Jewish people, *supporting* the State of Israel, and *sharing* the love of the Messiah.

G'sherim Objectives:

1. To communicate the love of the Messiah
2. To serve and support the Jewish and pro-Israel communities
3. To instill a love for the Jewish people and the State of Israel
4. To teach God's distinct plans for Israel and the church
5. To provide training and hands-on experience in Jewish ministry
6. To present and partner with existing FOI ministries
7. To assist in discerning a call to Jewish ministry
8. To help produce FOI-ready candidates

G'sherim Methodology

1. By utilizing the Bible, loving relationships, and deeds of kindness
2. By volunteering in and networking with the Jewish and pro-Israel communities
3. By providing formal instruction in:
 - a. Israelology
 - b. Distinction Between Dispensational and Replacement Theologies
 - c. Jewish Culture & Customs
 - d. Holocaust & Anti-Semitism
 - e. Modern Israel (including history, Middle East conflict)
 - f. Practical Ministry Methodologies
 - g. Facts and Flaws of Messianic Judaism
 - h. English as a Second Language (ESL) Training
 - i. Opportunities with The Friends of Israel
4. By hosting virtual and in-person meetings with FOI staff
5. By prayer, biblical counseling, encouragement, ministry involvement, and evaluation

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