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Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our precious Lord, whose loving kindness never fails.

Looking at the Western world, you may be more discouraged than ever as our societies turn further from the Truth of God’s Word. Outward acts of anti-Semitism are increasing, and Israel continues to be the center of the world’s attention. There is no question that people are feeling disheartened. At The Friends of Israel, we see extraordinary opportunity to shine the light of Jesus, the Messiah, brightly in this dark, uncertain world.

Our ministry workers in the field and at home have been very busy ministering to our Jewish friends, meeting physical and spiritual needs, and teaching Christians and all those with ears to hear about the simple, biblical truth of God’s unending love for the Jewish people and Israel. We have spent more volunteer hours working in Israel and sent more humanitarian aid to Jewish communities than ever before. This has also been a time filled with opportunities to share the gospel, the hope that lies within us, with all who will hear.

As we enter our 81st year of ministry, I am excited to share with you how we have grown and invite you to follow us in ministry in these uncertain times. Join us as we shine the light of the gospel (Mt. 5:16) and watch the Lord at work in our midst.

Thank you for your support and unending prayers for this ministry the Lord raised up and entrusted to us at The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry.

In His Service,

Jim Showers, DMin
Executive Director/President
We are a worldwide Christian ministry communicating biblical truth about Israel and the Messiah, while fostering solidarity with the Jewish people.

**LOVE**
- Love people like Jesus
- Stand with the Jewish people and oppose anti-Semitism
- Support the right of the Jewish people to live as a nation in their ancient homeland
- Love people to faith in the Messiah

**WORD**
- Proclaim the gospel to all
- Teach the Bible in its uniquely Jewish context
- Present God’s plan for the ages
- Communicate biblical truth about Israel

**DEED**
- Provide humanitarian relief
- Help Jewish people in need
- Volunteer and serve in Israeli and Jewish communities
- Bless God’s uniquely chosen people

15 Countries
81 years of ministry
Up From The Grave He Arose!

A look at the resurrection of Jesus and why Jewish people are not Christ-killers

Believers gather in churches around the world for Easter services every year to remember the great sacrifice Christ made for us. So we’ve devoted this issue of Israel My Glory to the resurrection. And if someone ever asks, “What’s the big deal about the resurrection?” we’ll all be ready to reply.
Media Ministry

The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry has a vibrant media ministry, and we strive to grow with an ever-expanding digital world. Understanding sound biblical doctrine does not require a scholarly education. Biblical truth can and should be communicated to everyone. We are working to meet everyone where they are, online, on the radio, or in print.

Israel My Glory magazine
issues produced in 4 languages in both digital and print copy

6

countries receiving Israel My Glory magazine

+75

issues of Israel My Glory since 1942

394

copies of Israel My Glory magazine distributed, with an estimated readership of approximately 250,000 per issue

+600,000

products including books and DVDs sold worldwide in 2018

+60,000

views of 8 online videos produced

+300,000

500

radio stations in the US and Canada

1,600,000

FOI Today Radio listeners

+50,000

podcast downloads

48

FOI Today Radio weekly half-hour programs produced and broadcast in North America annually

+60,000

+300,000
“Serving Israelis has been an eye-opener, and my heart has been on fire for the Lord like never before. Our service did not end when we returned home, but it has broadened.” - ORIGINS volunteer
The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry’s field workers and staff work tirelessly across the United States and Canada to share the gospel, minister to our Jewish friends, lead volunteer service trips, communicate biblical truth in churches and colleges, stand in solidarity with Jewish communities, and advocate for Israel with many Jewish organizations.

North American Ministry

3 National Prophecy Conferences
20 Prophecy Up Close Events
5 Nights to Honor Israel

54% increase in average attendance from 2017 to 2018

On October 27, in a quiet neighborhood of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 11 men and women were murdered and six others were injured when a gunman entered the Tree of Life synagogue during Shabbat morning services and opened fire. While the tragedy was unfolding, The Friends of Israel was holding a Prophecy Up Close conference in a church across town, and another in a city nearby. As news of the massacre reached both conferences, our speakers led the attendees in prayer and took up special collections for the Jewish congregation. The funds collected through the ministry were hand-delivered to the Tree of Life congregation by our field workers in Pittsburgh, where our ministry to the hurting Jewish community continues. Our legacy of helping Jewish people in need is in our DNA.

3,025
hours of volunteer work in Jewish communities

+1,300
church services and related events

1,460
hours sharing the gospel on college campuses

86,485
people attended our events

920
Questions answered through online ministry

228 People to the land of Israel

2 Volunteer service trips to Israel

3 Educational tours of Israel

Up to Jerusalem US and Canada

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International Ministry

The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry’s international field workers choose to go into dangerous and impoverished areas where others choose not to go because they love the Jewish people. Their bravery and faith allow them to provide for physical and spiritual needs to those they reach.

Argentina

In the heart of Buenos Aires, The Friends of Israel Medical Clinic provides outpatient medical services to more than 80 patients a day. Other services include emergency ambulance transportation, wellness programs, mobile health screenings, and a children’s soccer team. Patients and families that enter the clinic find physical and spiritual healing.

24/7 free health care
+18,200 patients/year

Israel

Encouraging the growing community of believers within Israel, our field workers run summer Bible camps, youth groups, food pantries, Bible studies, missions trips, and Christian IDF soldier outreach along with their church ministries. Through the Arrows Program, Israeli Christian IDF soldiers participated in an intensive 3-month program where they studied their identity in Christ.

8 young adults participated in a short-term missions trip to Germany
21 Arrows Program graduates

“From Arrows Program I received practical tools for becoming a soldier during difficult times in the army. I strengthened my relationship with God, and I received answers on important and critical questions as a believer and student of Jesus, theological and apologetic questions that matter. I got a clearer picture of myself, my identity, who I am in Christ. At last I met friends whom I can rely on and share my difficulties during the service and also ask for prayer when we need it.”

–Arrows Program graduate

76 Conferences
862 Church meetings, teachings, and other forums
504 Bible Studies
24 Church camps
+35,601 Program participants
2 Trips to Israel

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Eastern and Western Europe

Anti-Semitism is on a rapid increase across Europe. In Western Europe, there is growing concern and fear among Jewish populations. In Eastern Europe, many areas suffer from war, poverty, and spiritual bankruptcy. Our field workers serve nine countries and have an uphill battle between border politics, nationalism, and Replacement Theology. Communicating biblical truth about Israel and the Jewish people is part of our focus. Supplying medicine, food, clothing, Bibles, and other relief is a focus in many locations. Our workers host popular summer camp programs for youth and adults that bring believers and non-believers together to study the Word.

20 publications translated from English into French and German

+243 aid packages delivered
Australia and New Zealand
People “Down Under” are hungry for solid biblical truth and literature. Our workers speak regularly in churches about Israel and the Jewish people. The Christian connection to Israel is increasing. One of our most unique ministries is hosting Israeli backpackers, mostly former IDF soldiers, as they travel through Australia and New Zealand. For many of the backpackers, it is the first time they have ever been in a Christian home. When our workers demonstrate Christian love and hospitality, the backpackers are put at ease and leave encouraged, rested, and assured they have new Christian friends who love and support them.

Music programs for Jewish community
IDF backpackers
Bomb shelters built
Israel Relief Fund

Jesus said that when we help to feed, clothe, shelter, protect, or heal a Jewish person in need, we have done it to Him (Mt. 25:40). The Israel Relief Fund exists to bless the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob by providing humanitarian assistance to Israelis.

$1,840,026
invested within Israel since 2012

We funded:

3 Fire trailers

5 Israeli paramedics equipped with critical life-saving tools for a year

11 academic scholarships for disadvantaged youth

17 babies saved from abortion and sponsored for the first year of life

40 drug addicts and prostitutes ministered to daily – 8 of 10 choose rehab at a Christian facility

62 pro-bono legal cases providing legal representation to Israeli Christians facing discrimination and harassment because of their faith

52 Jewish people who made Israel their home with the help of the Aliyah Fund

Yes, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will assuredly plant them in this land, with all My heart and with all My soul.

Jeremiah 32:41
Our Financial Commitment to You

The Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry is firmly committed to good stewardship of funds entrusted to us by our friends and donors. We promise to use your gifts wisely and effectively in Christ’s name.

To insure our financial accountability to you, our donor, we are a long-time member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability. We fully support the purpose and goals of the ECFA, and display its seal proudly to reflect compliance with its membership standards.

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Learn more at foi.org/donate

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PRAY for the peace of Jerusalem and for The Friends of Israel. We look to the Lord’s guidance and provision to see us through, and your prayers are critical to accomplish His work. Thank you for adding us to your prayer list.

For 81 years, faithful supporters like YOU have made it possible to shine the light of the gospel in an uncertain world. Thank you.

Your life will be forever changed when you serve our friends in Israel, and you will leave a lasting impression on the lives you touch in the land. For the latest volunteer opportunities visit foi.org/outreach

Your walk in the Lord will be refreshed when you attend our educational and approachable conferences and events. We invest in communicating biblical truth to help strengthen Christian faith and correct false teaching. If you cannot attend, we offer many resources online at foi.org. To attend an event near you or to request one at your church, visit foi.org/events

Build bridges and bring hope alongside of us. If you are feeling called to equip Christians with biblical truth and make lasting relations with the Jewish community, please contact us! Visit foi.org/serve

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Did you know that The Friends of Israel

» Began 10 years before modern Israel was established?

» Operates in 15 countries?

» Touches millions of people each year?

» Can only accomplish this because of you?