



2nd Adam

Ministry Update

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Shalom friends,

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It's hard to imagine that 759 days ago, Hamas entered Israel and committed acts of violence against Israeli citizens that can only be described as demonic. Children, moms, dads, and grandparents were all helplessly slaughtered.

Happily, there was a return of the living hostages, and there was great joy in Israel over their return.

Even though there is a fragile ceasefire, the horror continues as some Israeli families, indeed the nation itself, wait for the return of the remaining hostages taken and murdered in Gaza. Hamas, in their inhumane cruelty, are slowly returning the bodies of those murdered. Mixed in with those bodies are the remains of others to extend the pain and suffering of waiting families.

Most of the world has decided to believe the misinformation and, in many cases, outright lies of the Gaza Health Ministry, which distorts the number of Gazans killed or wounded. They steal aid sent in for the suffering people and sell it to them, all the while tormenting their own people.

It has been reported that at least 42 Gazans have been executed in various places as Hamas "soldiers" have moved back into cities, as people have returned. This is being done to reestablish the hold Hamas has over the people of Gaza. It has also been reported that, as Gaza seeks new leadership over the area, at least 50% of those who are being considered for various government positions are members of Hamas.

We all know that any peace will be temporary. The only true and lasting peace will come when Messiah returns. We join together with those in Israel as they wait and pray for the return of their loved ones.

Psalm 13:1-2

How long, O Lord? Will You forget me forever?

How long will You hide Your face from me?

How long shall I take counsel in my soul,

Having sorrow in my heart all the day?

How long will my enemy be exalted over me?

Our workers in Israel continue to minister under the quickly changing circumstances in the country. We continue to use our Helping Hands fund to aid those in need.

In my last email update, I mentioned that we have welcomed Varia Ostrovsky to our Leading Others program in Israel. I wanted to include her in this letter, as well. Please check the link to read her biography and prayerfully consider supporting her.

<https://www.cjfm.org/about-us/intl-representatives/varia-ostrovsky/>



Speaking of Israel, I'm going to visit our workers in January. It has been 18 months since I last saw them in person. I will get some pictures of the trip and our people.

Thankfully, some things in the country are slowly returning to normal, such as the return of tours. As you know, the economy of Israel, especially in tourist-related areas, has suffered greatly during the war with Hamas. I'm

glad to see that there is interest in people coming back to tour the Land. Some of you receiving this letter have traveled to Israel with us, and many more have expressed an interest in coming at a future date. Well, the future is here. While I do not have any specific dates, I'd like to see how many might consider visiting the Land. As always, we will have an excellent guide, our own Dan, and a wonderful itinerary. Just let me know by email, and we will see what we can do.

I wanted to include one final picture from our recent trip to Greece. I'm standing on the steps of the synagogue in Berea. *The brethren immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived, they went into the synagogue of the Jews. Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so* (Acts 17:10-11).

A few prayer requests:

- Pray for the salvation of the Jewish people both inside and outside the Land.
- Pray for the return of the remaining hostages and the end of Hamas.
- Pray for our workers in the US and Israel.
- Pray for Sharon's mom, Dolores. She has made a profession of faith, and I plan to visit her next week at the rehab facility in California.

For those who have asked about supporting us financially, please scan the QR code.

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Bless you all in the name of our Messiah,
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