

2012 donor report



#### TOUCHINGLIVESTOGETHER







#### Dear faithful friend,

"I beseech You, O Lord God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who preserves the covenant and loving-kindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments, let Your ear now be attentive and Your eyes open to hear the prayer of Your servant which I am praying before You now, day and night, on behalf of the sons of Israel...." – Nehemiah 1:5-6

I have just returned from a twelve-day trip to Israel with Fred Schwien, the chairman of The Joshua Fund. As it turned out, we were there for the entire eight-day war between Israel and the Hamas terrorists in Gaza, known as "Operation Pillar of Defense." We met and prayed with our staff at TJF's warehouse, as well as with key allies in Israel and the West Bank. We came away greatly encouraged by the progress TJF's team has made in achieving our objectives, and by the great need to keep building upon this solid foundation.

Through your faithful prayers and generous financial support over this past year, the Lord helped us touch the lives of thousands of Jews and Arabs in the epicenter in real and practical ways with the love of Jesus Christ. In the pages ahead, you'll get a sense of some of the other projects you've been helping us fund in 2012.

- 1. By God's grace, in 2012 TJF provided food and other relief supplies to more than 42,181 poor and needy people both Jews and Arabs an increase of 47% over 2011, and we plan to open between 2 and 4 new food distribution centers in 2013.
- 2. During the eight-day war, I was so encouraged to see the faith, courage and compassion of TJF's team in action, as they:
  - a. Provided food and other relief supplies to those living in danger.
  - b. Assisted in projects to encourage those living in danger, including supporting a group of Holocaust survivors living in the missile zone to go on a retreat near the Dead Sea, and funded a project to take school children and their parents out of the war zone.
  - c. Visited an Israeli hospital where TJF invests funds in buying much-needed medical equipment. We had the opportunity to encourage hospital officials and staff, pray with and for them, and demonstrate Christians are standing with them.
- 3. For the first time since TJF was founded in 2006, we were able to organize and host a Bible training conference in Israel. Together with a team of pastors from the U.S. and Europe, we had the joy of teaching through the Apostle Paul's letter to Titus line by line, verse by verse. Some 200 Jewish and Arab Israeli pastors, wives, and ministry leaders attended this first conference in Netanya.
- 4. We were blessed to host a Bible conference for Palestinian Arab pastors and their wives. About 45 Arab Christian leaders attended the conference in the West Bank, where we also taught through Titus. It was a joy to spend time with these dear Palestinian believers, to hear their hearts and their testimonies, learn about the challenges they face, and to pray with them. As I've reported in the past, TJF has financed and/or helped lead many Bible conferences for pastors in Iraq, Egypt, Jordan, and Lebanon. The Lord Jesus commanded us to love both the Jews and the Arabs. It's not either/or -- it's both/and. It was very special, therefore, to be able to come together with our Palestinian brothers and sisters around God's Word and worship together and not let ourselves be divided by war, politics, or anything else.

This is the work of The Joshua Fund – to educate and mobilize Christians around the world to bless Israel and her neighbors in the name of Jesus, to serve the poor and needy, and to teach the Word of God.

On behalf of TJF's board and staff, thank you so very much for your ceaseless prayers and generous financial support. We count it a great privilege to do this work together to bless Israel and her neighbors in the name of Jesus!

JOEL C. ROSENBERG

Founder and President



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#### JAN

- Provided for the purchase of warm coats for lone soldiers in the IDF.
- Provided for a Passover gathering in Israel for 120 people.
- Funded an educational biblical tour for Christian leaders of the Ethiopian community in the land of Israel.
- Supported ministries that provide assistance to congregations, communities, prison visitations and other ministry efforts.
- Funded 10 evangelistic and follow-up gatherings for Muslim men and women in various communities of Israel.
- Established monthly distribution flow for 11 centers in Israel for aid distribution, serving approximately 3,515 individuals and families monthly, as well as funding an additional aid resource to reach an even greater number of people.



#### FEB

- Provided support for single or needy Israeli women and their newborn babies for one year through the 'Operation Moses' program.
- Supported ongoing humanitarian relief operations in Israel, including care for orphans in need.
- Provided assistance to meet the needs of widows, single mothers and their children in Israel.
- Provided funds for acquisition of facilities for an Israeli Bible college.
- Supported Christian ministry workers throughout neighboring countries in the epicenter, including Jordan, Egypt, Lebanon and others.
- Provided funding for a radio station in Bethlehem to procure airtime for Bible teaching to continue to be broadcast in Arabic every weekday.
- Funded airtime for Bible teaching programs to be broadcast in Arabic in various regions of Iraq.

# MAR

- Provided funding for heart surgeries performed by Israeli doctors for 35 desperately ill Arab and Kurdish children from neighboring countries and territories.
- Assisted with a Passover meal and food supplies for the poor and needy, including the elderly, Ethiopian families and IDF lone soldiers.
- Funded two special gatherings for Holocaust survivors, including dinner and biblical encouragement.
- Organized and hosted TJF's annual pastors and leaders retreats, providing biblical teaching, encouragement, and refreshment for the men ministering in the epicenter region.

## APF

- Provided funding for urgent dental work for needy Israelis.
- Funded efforts to bring Jewish individuals and families back to the Land of Israel, in fulfillment of Bible prophecies such as Isaiah 49:22.
- Funded a key Arab Christian leader's increased travel and ministry efforts into Iraq, including the development of translation and broadcast of Kurdish language Bible teaching, as well as the training of radio ministry workers.
- Enabled the purchase of three vehicles to provide transportation for Christian ministries in Israel.
- Provided assistance for ongoing ministry efforts in Arab villages throughout Israel.
- Scholarship funding was provided for students to take courses at a Bible college in Israel, as well as funding for administrative assistance and the development of a media center.



#### MAY

- Supported a home care program for the elderly in need.
- Funding provided for the purchase of search and rescue equipment to be used by first responders in times of crisis in Israel.
- Continued ongoing preparations for war or other crisis situations, including the purchase of satellite phones, a large generator for The Joshua Fund warehouse, smaller generators for each distribution center, increased stockpiling of food, water, water purification pills and other humanitarian relief supplies to be provided to the poor and needy and those devastated during war.



## JUN

- Food coupons provided for Passover to needy mothers.
- Van provided to help with the distribution of food to those in need in Israel.
- Provided assistance for the needs of a widow and children of a Christian brother martyred in Iraq.
- Assisted with street cleaning efforts in disadvantaged Arabic and Jewish neighborhoods and the distribution of clothing to those in need in these areas.
- Support provided for a biblical conference in Jerusalem and events throughout the local community.
- Provided for biblical and social programs in Arabic and Jewish schools, and for social activities in public parks.
- Funded an educational biblical tour to Samaria in the Land of Israel for local ministry leaders.
- Support of a children's center for Arab children in Israel, as well as summer camp programs.

## JUL

- TJF President Joel C. Rosenberg led a small team of Christians in a two-week summer work project in Israel, including packing pallets of food in our warehouse, delivering food to the homes of needy Israelis, as well as other projects to bless those in the community.
- Partially funded the purchase of a digital x-ray room at an Israeli hospital near the Gaza border.
- Support provided for a soup kitchen to help those in need in Tel Aviv, Israel.
- Provided assistance for follow-up events for Arab women who attended a Christmas party in 2011.
- Support provided for a ministry coordinator's efforts in Israel.
- Enabled the purchase of a van to be used for the continual delivery of Bibles and ministry materials into devastated areas of Syria.



- Funding provided for the church retreat of an Arab ministry in Israel.
- Support provided for ministry efforts in Kurdistan, including a truck for transportation, and the operation of a coffee shop/ Christian bookstore.
- Provided funding for a summer outreach barbeque for the community and members of the military.

# AUG

- Assistance provided for a displaced ministry worker and his family in Syria.
- Supported a local pastors' retreat for Arab pastors in Israel in order to provide a time of rest, reflection and spiritual renewal.
- Funding provided for the start-up of a ministry home to provide encouragement to Israeli believers.
- Provided assistance for 32 youth from the epicenter region to attend a summer camp held in Turkey for believing children of a Muslim background.
- Provided funding for a ministry worker in Egypt.
- Funded a biblical tour for pastors' wives and female ministry leaders in Israel.
- Enabled a summer teaching and worship gathering for believers.

## SEP

- Assistance provided for Holocaust survivors, including dental work, hearing equipment, necessary medications, prosthetic walking equipment and some minor housing repairs recommended by physicians.
- Provided funding for legal support to those in Israel who are being discriminated against, denied citizenship or persecuted due to their faith.
- Organized and hosted the 2012 Epicenter Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico for 4 days with TJF President Joel C. Rosenberg, Skip Heitzig, Dr. Norman Geisler, Dr. Michael Rydelnik, Dr. Mitch Glaser, Dr. Michael Vlach, Dr. Erez Soref, Jack Sara and Labib Madanat. The conference covered several topics including a timely update on the state of the epicenter, a biblical perspective concerning Israel and her neighbors, understanding replacement theology and several testimonies from Jewish and Palestinian believers. The online conference segments were watched by more than 47,000 people in 145 countries around the world.
- Funded a three night retreat for 55 Holocaust survivors at the Dead Sea, including accommodations, transportation, meals and Bible study. An additional one-day event was sponsored for Rosh Hashanah.

# OCT

- Funded emergency response training for 7 individuals in Israel in order to provide emergency search and rescue services in time of need.
- Supported a national two-day Bible teaching conference, studying through the book of Philippians, for Ethiopian believers in Israel.
- Funded the completion of a digital audio recording of the full text of the Old Testament in biblical Hebrew.
- Provided support for a ministry worker in Israel to develop and lead home groups and facilitate other ministry efforts.
- Enabled the purchase of 50 Bible study resource software licenses for Bible college students in Israel.

#### NOV

- Provided food and other relief supplies to those living in danger in Israel during the conflict with Hamas terrorists; funded the opportunity for a group of Holocaust survivors living in the missile zone to go on a retreat to the Dead Sea, as well as for school children and their parents to travel out of the war zone to visit the zoo in Jerusalem.
- Support provided for two Arab ministry workers in Israel.
- Facilitated two leadership Bible teaching conferences for Israeli and Arab pastors within Israel and the West Bank.
- Provided partial funding for the purchase of an incubator for an Israeli hospital near the Gaza border.

## DEC

- Funded three Chanukah holiday celebrations for needy Israelis, including single mothers and the elderly.
- Funded an evangelistic Christmas outreach for 450 Arab Muslim women, 350 Arab Muslim men, and 400 Arab Muslim children at three events around Israel.
- Funded Christmas events and the purchase of Christmas gifts for prisoners and refugees in the epicenter.

# Assisted<br/>FamiliesFood distributed<br/>in tons (gross)2012 Total42,1812011 Total28,3702010 Total17,993

#### TOTAL ANNUAL IMPACT\*

#### PARTNER WITH US

As always, we will do our best to keep you up-to-date on the kinds of projects we are doing, and brief you on how those projects are proceeding. In no way do we want to pressure anyone to give financially. We fully believe the Lord will provide for the needs of the people we seek to serve. But if you or others wish to help, we gratefully welcome your support. All financial gifts are tax-deductible in the USA, and TJF is a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). If you would like to make a contribution to the on-going work of The Joshua Fund, donate online now or make your check payable to "The Joshua Fund" and mail to the address provided.

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