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Dear CFI International Representative Family,

Thank you for your continued support of the Outreach efforts of Christian Friends of Israel. We continue to strive to encourage those in need and to offer practical assistance during times of struggle. It's during these times when relationships can be formed which please God and allow us to show Compassion to those who need it the most and have possibly never experienced it before.

Please receive the CFI Outreach electronic updates as a reminder of the impact each of you have in the lives of so many. We are grateful to represent those of you in the Nations - to those in the Land of Israel.

A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 17:17 (NKJV)



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Project Bridal Salon

Supporting Israeli Brides and their Families

Shalom from sunny Jerusalem!

During this past month we were delighted to have 13 appointments in our Bridal Salon!

Four brides-to-be visited our Salon and found different items for themselves. One of them was Dina (the name is changed). She came with her mother. We already know this family from previous weddings of the older sisters. Dina needed a veil. Beside the beautiful two veils that we found for her she got a lot of other items: a jacket, jewels, hair pieces and even some decorations for the car. Both Dina and her mother were happy and thankful.

Also Shirel needed a veil for her big day, which will take place in two weeks. She got her wedding dress from us more than half a year ago. Now she chose a very special veil that fits to the wedding gown. She also found perfect shoes for the big day to come. Shirel's mother came and found an evening dress from our collection. This mother herself was our Bridal client about 25 years ago. She remembers what a big blessing it was to get a wedding gown from CFI. Now it is the daughter who will get married and has been blessed by us. Thank God for already two generations who we have served in the Land.

One of the clients was a daughter of a previous volunteer of CFI. This young lady is serving in the IDF at the moment. She found a lovely dress for the coming wedding. We washed it for her, did some needed alterations and gave it to her as a gift. Both the bride-to-be and her mother were in tears. They thanked the Lord and us from their hearts.

One mother of a groom came from the Tel Aviv area. The ceasefire had just started and she was able to travel. The war affects our lives and ministry in so many ways... We found a good dress for this lady and gave it to her as a gift. She also gave thanks to God and to CFI for this blessing.

Sara came with her mother and sister. She found a gorgeous wedding gown with a long train.

Eva came a second time for an evening dress. Someone had invited her to a wedding. She chose a plain but elegant dress. Some of her friends are due to come this week.

They all really appreciate our help. Not everyone can buy an elegant gown only for one special occasion. We are happy to be a place of blessing for these people ☺. It is a privilege indeed!



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Thank you for being with us! Thank you for your prayers and support!

Blessings from Israel! - Tiina - Project Supervisor - Bridal Salon

*Come, bless the Lord,
all you servants of the Lord,
who stand by night in the house of the Lord!
Lift up your hands to the holy place,
and bless the Lord!
May the Lord bless you from Zion,
he who made heaven and earth!
(Psalm 134:1-3)*



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Communities Under Attack

Responding with Relief Funds to Targeted Areas

‘If you will still abide in the land, then I will build you and not pull you down, and I will plant you and not pluck you up...’ Jeremiah 42:10a

This is a serious word for the people who remained in the Promised Land. Suddenly, God said: “Do not leave, even if you are afraid. If you stay here, I will keep you and plant you.”

This is a text I sent to a contact after she expressed interest in moving to the USA. Why does she want to move? Because she is afraid of the rockets and bombs from Lebanon. Every time we see each other and meet people in the border towns, we may point them to God. He is the foundation of our existence and the One who is our safety. What an honor to represent Him in the Promised Land, among God’s covenant people.

These people are living in financial distress. Often, they have lost their jobs, or one of the two parents has to serve in the army. This means less income. As Christian Friends of Israel, we have been able to help various people with food vouchers, which allows them to purchase food, clothing or toiletries and to ease the load somewhat.



At the time of writing, we are living in a fragile ceasefire. Even after the declaration of this truce, we have remained busy clearing out houses and helping people return. For instance, we were able to help a family in Givatayim and Eshtaol.

A man wrote me a message: “You came voluntarily, and you came to help us in our most difficult moments; there we were able to experience true love! Thank you!”

We were also able to undertake a wonderful project in a Moshav named Ein Yaacov, which means “Jacob’s Well.” This small village is located not far from the Lebanese border. The people there are tired and feeling drained due to the constant rocket fire and therefore, any support we can provide is a helping hand that enables them to stay.

The situation for the community is very difficult, especially for young families with children. Every day, mothers have to send their children to school, not knowing if they will return safely. They are traumatized and feel isolated and that is why our friendship and support means so much to them.



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The community had requested assistance for a youth center—new furniture, electrical appliances, and more—so that young people could still gather together during the war. This is especially important for them.

If they do not see their friends for too long, it can turn into resentment and frustration. We, as Christian Friends of Israel, stepped in and helped them with these items.

The people had tears in their eyes from gratitude, but above all because of the fact that we had travelled up north during hostile times to deliver the gifts and visit them and encourage them. In this way, we were able to build bridges and tear down walls again, which is what we are called to do.

From the bottom of my heart, on behalf of the project “Communities Under Attack,” I want to thank you for your generosity and prayers. May the Lord bless you abundantly.

Warm greetings and blessings from Jerusalem,

Gerrit - Project Supervisor - Communities Under Attack



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Project David's Shield

Encouraging Soldiers in the Israel Defense Forces

During this month, we were able to support several military units. We received requests from multiple units; however, we were not able to fulfill all of them at this time. One of the units is currently engaged in active operations in Lebanon. They are expected to return in approximately two weeks, and we plan to deliver their requested supplies directly to their base upon their return.

We also supported a large unit serving in the West Bank (Judea and Samaria). This unit consists of approximately 500 reservist soldiers. While it was not possible for us to fully provide for all 500 individuals, we did our best to meet as many needs as we could.



Among the most requested items were warm jackets, base-layer clothing, and socks. Despite it being spring, this year has been unusually cold in Israel, and soldiers continue to need warm gear.

We personally delivered the supplies. For security reasons, the soldiers met us at the border of the West Bank and escorted us safely to their base. The meeting was very joyful personal and find out more about Samaria and Judea. For more than 3 hours we were fellowship together 8 /12 people and personally. We brought those sweets, snacks, and drinks, and we shared a lunch together, spending time in conversation and encouragement. After our leaving officer was texting and sending photos: soldiers and our items which we brought, thanking many times for the time which we spent together and gear and food and gifts.

In addition to the requested items, we prepared 100 special gift packages. Due to both logistical and transportation limitations, we could not prepare gifts for all 500 soldiers. Each package included a Tanakh, prayer magnets, letters of encouragement and blessings from supporters, as well as small personal items. For women, we included items such as shampoo, and for men, sweets and other useful supplies.

We also received a request from a security officer who was unable to allow us access to their location due to restrictions. She came personally to collect the items we prepared for her unit.



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I continue to stay in close contact with officers and soldiers, regularly checking on their well-being and current needs. We are grateful to share that all the soldiers we are connected with are safe, healthy, and continuing to defend their country.

On the day of national mourning for the fallen soldiers and victims of violence in Israel, we went out to the streets and encountered a young female soldier in training who had not yet received her weapon. She was standing and crying. We approached her, embraced her, prayed for her, gave her a gift, and offered emotional support during that difficult moment.

We would like to express our deep gratitude to our dear donors for your ongoing support. Your contributions make all of this possible. Please continue to stand with us, as the war is not over and the need remains urgent.

Lyailya - Project Supervisor - David's Shield



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Project First Fruits

Strengthening Israel's Believing Communities

But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

John 3:17-18

As I write this report Carla and I are starting to get back to some kind of routine as it has been three weeks now since we last heard the sirens and had to rush for shelter. During this past month, we have been blessed to travel and visit new fellowships and meet with their leaders.

KIRYAT SHMONA

Carla and I traveled up to the far north of Israel to meet with the leaders of a congregation. We arrived and after introductions the sirens started to blare so we found ourselves in a bomb shelter just outside the entrance to the congregation. As it happened, this was only the first of four visits to the shelter in the two hours we spent with them.

We were able to let them know more about CFI and Derek Prince Ministries and they were happy to receive 50 Derek Prince books and have also referred a young woman who is a part of their congregation to us who is in need of financial assistance due to the war bringing her income as a musician to an abrupt halt. She has contacted us and we are in the process of dealing with her application.

We then made our way back down to a small Moshav called Dvora to meet up with a believing family from a fellowship that we intend to visit in the Afula region. They made us feel very welcome and embraced us into their family. It was a very special way to end our trip up north.

BETHLEHEM

Last month a Christian organisation reached out to us to help with some supplies. We were able to give them baby formula and diapers for the children in need.

They said that they were in need of clothing as well as any other supplies and we were happy to be able to deliver a good amount of clothing to them. We had mentioned to them that we also are responsible for distributing Derek Prince books. They were not familiar with his writings, but they were enthusiastic and willing for us to bring them some books the next time we visit.



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BAT ZION WOMENS CONFERENCE: DUGIT MINISTRIES

The Bat Zion women's conference went ahead! It was touch and go for a couple of weeks due to not knowing if the war would end or a ceasefire would be on time. Thankfully everything worked out, the Conference went ahead and there was an amazing turn out! Carla and I were able to go and represent CFI/Derek Prince Ministries. We were given a table in the market place area of the venue. There was over 900 women who attended and many were familiar with Derek Prince books.

Our table was busy the whole time and the books were just flying off of the table. Off course they were all free and a gift to the body of Christ! Many of the women took multiple copies of the self study bible course in Russian which was by far the most popular book on the table. They are Hungry for the Word of God and to Study it for themselves. Praise the Lord!

The time flew by and before we knew it we were packing up a lot less than what we had arrived with. In total the amount of books given out was 1505. On top of that we had created order forms of the new books that are going to print next month and over a 100 people placed an order for the new books in Russian and Hebrew.

The needs here in Israel are many, especially as it has been very difficult for people to work and many have seen their income dry up over the last two months, the self-employed in particular.



Please pray for the Nation of Israel and the Body of Yeshua here. We are privileged to be able to help and support the body of Christ thanks to your generous financial support and prayers.

**Andy and Carla - Project Supervisors
- First Fruits**



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Project Forsake Them Not

Nurturing Relationships with Holocaust Survivors

Hear my cry, O God; Attend to my prayer. From the end of the earth I will cry to You, When my heart is overwhelmed; Lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For You have been a shelter for me, A strong tower from the enemy. ... Psalm 61

Taking a fresh breath in the break between war sirens, we set out from Jerusalem to visit dear friends who had been waiting far too long for these moments of joyful reunion — for the comfort of friendship and fellowship.

Over the course of this month, we visited 24 of our dear friends — Holocaust survivors — across six towns: Kiryat Gat, Jerusalem, Arad, Haifa, Ariel, and Beersheva. Especially at such a time, there is a deep and urgent need to share, to release what weighs heavily on the heart. A listening ear, together with words of comfort and encouragement from the Scriptures, felt more timely and meaningful than ever.

One visit touched us especially deeply: that of Vera, who is gravely ill and suffers from constant, intense pain throughout her body. When the sirens sound, she cannot leave her room; she must remain where she is, heavily medicated, often detached from the world around her, and feeling very weak. Yet despite her condition, Vera was radiant with joy at the thought of welcoming her special friends from Jerusalem. She asked her caregiver to bring ice cream as a treat for her guests, and even chose not to take her medication that day — saying with a smile that the best medicine is a joyful heart.



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We shared with her David's prayer, Psalm 23. When it was read, she asked that it be placed on the wall beside her bed — the place where she spends most of her time — so that its words might remain close to her always.

Israel's National Holocaust Remembrance Day was observed on April 14th at Yad Vashem. There had been uncertainty as to whether the ceremony would be open to the public, given the current situation, but in the end it was. As long-standing friends of Yad Vashem, CFI received an invitation to participate in the wreath-laying ceremony.

The siren sounded across the country — but this time it was not a siren of war calling people to rush to shelters. It was a deep and solemn call to pause, to stand still, and to remember. In those moments of silence, as people stood in the streets, in their homes, and in their workplaces, one cannot fully know what thoughts and memories filled their minds and hearts.

Grigory shared with us again that each time he hears the siren, he cannot help but think of his younger brother, Viten'ka, who died of starvation in the ghetto. He remembers watching over him, powerless to help — and that memory, he said, never leaves him; it remains as vivid and real as the day it was lived.

We at Christian Friends of Israel count it a privilege to carry these stories, to hold the hands of our friends in their most difficult moments, to look them in the eyes and show them that they are not alone. We want to assure them — and those who support this work — that their stories will be heard, and that many friends around the world continue to pray for them and stand with Israel.



**Tanya - Project
Supervisor Forsake
Them Not**



Project Open Gates

Providing Practical Aid for New Immigrants

Due to the ongoing war in Israel, the number of visitors to our center has significantly decreased this month. Many people are hesitant to travel and prefer to stay close to bomb shelters for safety.

During May, we were able to serve a total of 17 people. Among them were 15 new immigrants (Olim Hadashim), as well as 2 women who have been living in Israel for about 8 years and came to receive second-hand clothing.

The meetings this month were quieter and more emotional than usual. Because of the current situation, many people are feeling discouraged and fearful. However, there were still meaningful and encouraging moments.

Two young women from France stood out with their positive spirit. They are currently studying and expressed gratitude that they were able to come to Israel when they did. They were very happy to receive gifts and were encouraged by the support.

We also met an elderly couple from Russia who arrived in Israel in January. They shared how grateful they are to finally be home, saying they now feel peace and security. Their daughter lives here, and they recently welcomed a newborn grandson. We were able to bless their grandson with diapers and clothing. They were deeply touched and expressed sincere gratitude, saying that our support means a great deal to them.

Overall, the month was quiet. Many people are still afraid to move far from safe areas. However, we remain hopeful and believe that the war will end soon, and visitors will return to us as before. Many people had scheduled visits, but postponed them once the war began.

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to our dear donors. Your support continues to make a difference, even in these difficult times. We are confident that people will return again.

Lyailya - Project Supervisor - Open Gates



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Project Streams of Blessings

Assisting the Underprivileged in Israel

Leviticus 23:4-6 says “These are the appointed feasts of the Lord, the Holy convocations, which you shall proclaim at the time appointed for them. In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at twilight, is the Lord’s Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the Lord; for seven days you shall eat unleavened bread.

During the past month, we celebrated the first of the spring Holy Days which is called Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. It was such an amazing time to be here in Jerusalem. Even though the war continued, Jewish lifestyle continued to blossom as families came together to remember how Elohim saved them from the hands of Pharaoh and delivered them from the bondage of slavery.

Within the past month, we processed a grant which blessed twenty families. The grant was for food vouchers for Jewish Iranian immigrants. The leader of the group scheduled the families so that I could meet each of them. One by one, he and I gave the gifts to the families. They were so happy and thankful for the gift.

We were privileged with the opportunity to gift a single mom. Because of the war, schools were canceled as per the recommendations of Home Front Command. She has no family in Israel to help her with her daughter so she had to stay home. She receives minimal government support for her child and her former spouse gives no financial assistance. She did not receive a salary for over a month. However, the bills still came and the amount of her child support was not enough to cover all their expenses. She was grateful when we gifted her with food vouchers for Pesach (Passover).

We processed another grant for a children’s home near Tel Aviv. The war has been especially difficult for those in the Tel Aviv area. Frequently in and out of the safe room and sometimes even having to sleep there. The grant helped to buy mattresses for the children and staff. They were thankful for the gift.

We also visited a trauma survivor from October 7th and gifted her with food vouchers for Pesach. It took her a little while to warm up to us but by the end of the visit she opened up and shared her heart with us. It has been difficult for her as she is still healing from the trauma and now has an infant. She is a new mom as this is her first child. We encouraged her.

There was also a man that turned to us for help. He had fallen and fractured his spine four months ago. He has been unable to work since that time because it causes too much pain to do laborious work but it is also too painful to sit and do a desk job. He was so happy when we gifted him with food vouchers for Pesach.

All these cases and more truly bless my heart. Passover is a time of remembering the goodness of God and everything he has done for us. It is enriching to be part of a Christian organization that shines the light of Messiah during this time.



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Prayer Points

- That we as a team will encourage and bless one another as many new people come to the team.
- Prayers for protection for the IDF, Israeli and Iranian civilians, and the CFI team.

Thank you all for your prayers and financial support,

May God bless and keep you,

Julia  (*of blessed memory*) - Project Supervisor - Streams of Blessing



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Under His Wings

Bringing Comfort and Healing to Terror Victims

“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.” — Psalm 34:18

Memorial Day – Remembering Together

As I write this today, Israel is marking Memorial Day (Yom HaZikaron)—a day set aside to remember all of Israel’s fallen soldiers and victims of terror.

Across the country, in every neighbourhood, people gathered for local ceremonies to remember those from their own communities who have been lost. There is something incredibly moving about this day—each name represents a life, a family, and a story.

Since 1860, **25,648 Israeli soldiers and police officers** have been killed, and **5,313 civilians** have been murdered in terrorist attacks. Each one is remembered. Each one matters. This day of remembrance is not only national—it is deeply personal for the families we are walking alongside.

Supporting Grieving Families – Beit Shemesh

One of those we particularly remembered was Ronit Elimelech, who was killed alongside her mother in Beit Shemesh in early March.

Ronit was a mother of three and a dedicated volunteer with Hatzalah ambulance services. She lived a life of giving—always showing up to help others. Just shortly before she was killed, she helped organise and provide Purim gifts for hundreds of children in hospital.

We are continuing to support various members of her family, including her 16-year-old daughter, Orian who was also injured in the rocket attack. We have spent time listening to their stories, sharing food together and bringing gifts, furniture and financial support.

Standing Together in Remembrance

Several of us from CFI attended the memorial service at Safra Square for fallen soldiers and victims of terror. It was incredibly moving, and we felt it was a privilege to stand alongside Israel in such a significant moment of collective grief.

Hearing from two families of fallen soldiers, and the sister of a Nova survivor, brought a deeply personal dimension—echoing the very stories we encounter in our day-to-day work. We stood quietly together, sharing in the sorrow and honouring those who have been lost.

Ceasefire

As I write, we have had two weeks of ceasefire. This has brought some relief, even though uncertainty remains and we do not know what lies ahead. Still, this small window has allowed many people to breathe, to rest, and to begin processing all they have been through.



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Caring for Displaced Families – Arad

We have continued to support those who have been displaced.

Our CFI team travelled down to a hotel at the Dead Sea to visit families from Arad who have lost their homes after a direct hit from an Iranian missile made them uninhabitable. We brought toys, games, and clothing to help meet some immediate needs.

They were deeply grateful for the practical support—but even more touched that we came to spend time with them, to listen, and to share about CFI and the love and friendship we bring. One small moment captured it all. A little toddler's face lit up as she saw a green bouncy ball. Her hands reached out eagerly for it, and within moments she was happily bouncing—completely delighted with her new gift.

Another particularly meaningful moment this month was a visit from Alla Zenchik, a poet from Belarus. As with many we support, her life has been deeply impacted by the war—her home was badly damaged in the Iranian missile attack last June.

She came to see us and brought her poetry book as a gift, an expression of gratitude that deeply touched us. Through tears, she shared that her son has safely returned from Lebanon—such a precious answer to prayer—and that she has now been able to move back into the restored part of her home. While she still needs some furniture, we are exploring how we might be able to help.

We spent time praying with her and she was deeply moved. She told us how much she treasures the Tanach we gave her, and that she passed the second one on to her parents.

Supporting a Traumatized Soldier

We have also spent time supporting a soldier with PTSD after serving in many wars since 1980. We spent time listening to him and helping him to sort out his home.

Thank you

Thank you once again for standing with us, praying with us, and enabling us to be there in these moments. Your support allows us to walk alongside people in their grief and as they begin to rebuild their lives.

Paula - Project Supervisor - Under His Wings



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Project Wall of Prayer

Assignments of Prayer for Israel

Watchmen on the Walls of Israel.

With war in Israel and challenges on the borders, we started a prayer meeting that is held every evening on Zoom. Abba Father has brought together Intercessors from all over the world to join us in prayer for Israel and we give him all the glory and honour. We prayed for the children and elderly suffering from fear and anxiety. We also prayed for the IDF so so many soldiers are putting their lives on the line to serve and defend Israel. These are difficult times for all in Israel and we continuously lift all the people of this Land up in prayer.

“For I says the Lord, will be a wall and glory in her midst Amen”. (Zechariah 2:5)

I had the opportunity to go out with the team of Christian Friends of Israel to clean and repair homes that were damaged by Iranian missiles. It was a heartwarming experience, to see the gratefulness of the people, thanking us for our love for Israel.

The prayer partners of Christian Friends of Israel has really been a great blessing as they have been praying us through these difficult times. We thank Abba Father for their support and prayers and we thank God for their love for Israel.

We pray Isaiah 60:18-19 - “No longer will violence be heard in your land, nor ruin or destruction with in your borders, but you will name your walls, Salvation and your gates Praise. No longer will the sun be your light by day, nor the brightness of the moon, shine on your night, for the Lord will be your everlasting light, and be your God.”

Amen!!

Abigail - Project Supervisor - Wall of Prayer



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Project Hope For The Future

Empowering the Ethiopian Community in Israel

Numbers 9:5 says: "And they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the first month at even in the wilderness of Sinai according to all that the Lord commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel."

It is truly a privilege to be here in Israel at this time and to be able to stand hand in hand together with the Jewish people, during the spring Holy Days. Serving a righteous and just Gd is an honor.

Within the past month, Christian Friends of Israel stood together with the Ethiopian Jews. It was very special to process this large grant. We gifted fifty Ethiopian families with food vouchers. Some of these are large, Orthodox families. It blessed me to be part of this as we walked from building to building in Bnei Brak to distribute these vouchers. Each and every one of them were delighted that we were there to help.

We also gave out school supplies to the children. It was so fun to watch the children run down to us to get their supplies. They were so filled with joy to get these gifts. They were laughing and playing in the streets. It just goes to show how these little gifts do matter.

Prayer Points

- **Pray for Bnei Brak and all the Tel Aviv areas as they have been hit hard during this war.**
- **Pray for a Hope for the Future coordinator.**

Thank you for your prayers and support,

May God bless and keep you,

Julia - ❤️ *(of blessed memory)*

Assistant to Hope for the Future Project



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