# Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter - 1-7 January 2020

**Happy New Year.** At the end of this month the UK should leave the EU, albeit to go into a transition period whilst the final details of our withdrawal are negotiated. At Maoz we felt a tangible sense of relief at the election result, and can't help but make a connection between the celebration of Hanukkah, (the deliverance of the Jewish people and the defeat) of an anti-semitic potential Prime Minister. However, the country still needs much prayer, particularly the situation in Northern Ireland, where nationalist parties now have the majority and the outcome on trade relating to Brexit is unknown.

# Please pray for our work in Israel

• **Please pray** for Ari and Shira Sorko-Ram and Kobi and Shani Ferguson, our senior leadership team in Israel.

• The Fellowship of Artists incorporates all of our creative ministries: the development of modern Israeli worship, helping young children in their vocal training and musicianship, supporting young artists in performance and recording a fresh new expression of sound. This is based at our studio in Jerusalem. **Pray for this project that it will grow and have impact right across Israel.** 

# Pray for our studio, it is used by non-believers regularly so pray for their salvation

• The Maoz team is working on creative ideas of reaching Israelis with God's message of love and redemption that can be used on a new Hebrew language channel.

• **Pray for wisdom and favour** in carrying out such activities that will have a lasting impact on people's lives in Israel.

- Pray for our Israeli team to develop increased unity
- **Pray that** we would have sufficient funds to <u>print 5,000 Narrated Bibles</u> that we are in the process of finishing the typesetting for.
- **Pray for the production** of the children's comic-style popular Action Bible which will cost \$80,000 including printing.

# Focus: Pastor Roman Glis, Pri Hagafen (Fruit of the Vine) congregation in Or Akiva, between Haifa and Tel Aviv. The town has a population of about 16,000 and is home to several large factories.

Prayer points: Please pray for Roman, his family and the leadership team there.

Please pray for wisdom and guidance for the future.

Please pray for health and wellbeing.

Please pray for people to become open to the Gospel.

# **UK Focus**

The new Government are making it one of their priority to outlaw BDS activity, this is great news for the UK and it will bring blessing to us.

**Please pray** that this will come to pass and that anti-Israel activities on university campus will also be curtailed.

**Please pray for Northern Ireland at this time.** For the first time in electoral history the Nationalist parties (Sein Fein and SDLP) won more seats (9) than the Unionist (DUP) party (8). (Plus one seat for the Alliance Party).

**Pray for unity in the UK overall**, there has been much bitter division. There have been prophetic words spoken over our nation, and what we really need is the church to continue to pray for renewal and revival. Leaving the EU will give a new opportunity for us to return to our Judeo-Christian heritage.

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#### Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter – 8-14 January 2020

The 7<sup>th</sup> of January was also the 10th day of the Jewish month of Tevet, in the year 3336 the armies of the Babylonian emperor Nebuchadnezzar laid siege to Jerusalem. Thirty months later—on 9 Tammuz 3338— the city walls were breached, and on 9 Av of that year the Temple was destroyed. The Jewish people were exiled to Babylonia for 70 years. This is marked by many religious Jews as a day of mourning, fasting and repentance.

**Please pray** for the orthodox Jewish people in Israel. They observe many of these fasts and festivals but do not know the Lord.

Please pray for our work across the world

For the Maoz Israel team members and volunteers in Israel, the U.S., Canada, U.K., Brazil, Ireland, Germany, Mexico, Korea, and more.

#### Please pray for outreach opportunities on television

We have been asked to produce programs for Shelanu TV – a TV cable station for Israelis This is a huge leap forward in getting the Gospel to multitudes of non-believers in Israel and beyond. To prepare such programing we will need wisdom, creative skills and an anointing to produce relevant outreach content.

Please pray for our team in Israel as they put this material together.

Please pray for fruit from this new channel.

**Please pray** that there will be no opposition to the channel from Government or Ultra-Orthodox lobby groups.

#### Pray for believers in Israel

May they be strengthened with power in their inner being, so Messiah may dwell in their hearts through faith, and that they would know the love of Messiah (Ephesians 3:16-19).

**Please pray that they would be filled with God's will, wisdom and understanding**; live a life worthy of Him; bear fruit in every good work; have great endurance and patience; and be grateful (Colossians 2:6-7) **Please pray for protection**, and that those around them would be drawn to Yeshua because of their love for Him and one another (John 17:11, 23.)

#### UK specific prayer points

**New Members of Parliament:** Many people reading this prayer letter will have a new member of Parliament, there are 140 new ones overall. We suggesting writing to them to congratulate them and tell them that you are praying for them.

Please pray for your MP, new or 're-newed'.

A nation will be blessed if it stands with Israel and nobody can deny that we need the blessing of the Lord on the UK.

Also please pray that we will have a Parliament that will protect the unborn child, affirm that marriage is only between one man and one woman, stop the LGBT agenda in society, and protect Judeo-Christian values.

On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January, at 11am, Brian, our Director, will be speaking at the Good Shepherd Church, The Centre, Milton Road, Wallington, SM6 9RP. Please come along if you are local and pray that we will have a blessed time there.

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#### Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter – 15-21 January 2020

"'But you, mountains of Israel, you will shoot forth your branches and yield your fruit for My people Israel; for their return is near. Ezekiel 36:8.

The population of Israel continues to grow in line with God's promises for his people.

In some cases God's gives promises which He is going to fulfil, this is the case with Aliyah, Jewish people returning to Israel. We just need to make sure that we are aligned with these promises.

Please pray for those Jewish people who will return to Israel in 2020.

Pray that many will come to faith in Yeshua

Pray that the ultra-orthodox will not be able to block Messianic believers from returning to Israel.

#### Please pray for Maoz work in Israel

**Pray for our Maoz report** as it goes out in 8 different languages and for decades has been one of the most respected and informative regular sources of prophetic information from the land.

Please pray for Shira who oversees the writing of the report as well as others who make contributions. Please pray that the articles will be a blessing to the readers.

**Please pray for the particular projects** that we feature, that we will be able to raise the funds needed to complete them.

**Please pray for our translation work** – good books are vital to the growth of the body of believers in Israel and evangelism.

# **Focus:** Rivka Ayelin - Congregation: Nahalat Elokim Amo (The Lords inheritance, His People)- Natanya Out of 126,000 Israelis from Ethiopia, 6,000 are believers, that's nearly 5%.

Pastor Rivka was the leader of one of the earliest Messianic congregations for people whose origins were in Ethiopia. As a child she had visions of speaking to Rabbi's about Yeshua and this has now come to pass. Maoz Israel were able to help them to purchase a minibus to get their people to congregation.

- Please pray for Pastor Rivka and her leadership team.
- Please pray for financial provision the congregation.

#### UK specific prayer points

**Pray for our new government.** As the new Cabinet settles down to work, please pray that they will honour their election commitment to get Brexit done, but also to allocate funding to vital areas such as the NHS and education.

**Please pray** that good relations with Israel would be a priority and that there will be a significant growth in trade with Israel – the biggest we have ever had.

It has been reported in some newspapers that Prince Charles has accepted an invitation to visit Israel on the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz.

**Please pray** that this will go ahead and that it may lead to the first ever visit by the Queen to Israel. On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January Brian will be speaking at South St Baptist Church, Meopham at 10:30am. **Please pray** for this visit.

**Dan and Helen,** founders of Maoz UK have a programme of visits to our partners. Maybe you would like them to visit you, please get in touch and we will see if it is possible. Please pray for them as they travel.

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#### Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter – 22-31 January 2020

Please pray for the protection of Israel. As you know they have enemies all around them, but the most concerning is the Northern border where Iran continue to agitate through their proxies, Hezbollah. Let us declare together the words of Psalm 121 over Israel:

Behold, the Keeper of Israel, neither slumbers nor sleeps. Adonai is your Keeper. Adonai is your shadow at your right hand. The sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. Adonai will protect you from all evil. He will guard your life. Adonai will watch over your coming and your going from this time forth and forevermore.

**Elections** Israel is heading towards its third election in less than a year, to be held on March 2nd, 2020. One study claims we could've built five hospitals for the cost of these three elections. Needless to say, Israelis are very frustrated with the state of limbo.

- We continue to pray for **definitive results** in this coming election.
- **Change** the playing field and **remove** those contenders who will not further Your cause.
- Let Israeli believers have an advocate in this new government.
- **Protect us** from enemy nations who would use this vulnerable time to do Israel harm.

• Lord, **clear out the sin** from Israel's political scene and then give them those counsellors and judges as in the beginning.

#### Focus: Netivah Youth Ministry:

Maoz is pleased to be able to provide financial support for this excellent work.

Netivah (translation: "Pathway") serves believing teenagers preparing to go into the IDF or who are already serving through 22 conferences, camps and programs each year to prepare them spiritually for what's ahead! Their aim is to see young men and women coming to the saving knowledge of Yeshua the Messiah. Here are some of their programmes: National youth conferences, regional youth events, hiking and camping trips, seminars and teaching events for youth leaders and congregation leaders, providing relevant conferences for soldiers in the IDF.

Please pray for the success of this programme and that Maoz will be able to continue to support it.

# UK specific prayer points

# The UK church and Jewish believers

Last year, as we met as trustees and leaders of Maoz we sensed the Lord saying to us that we had a responsibility towards Jewish believers in Jesus in the UK. Since then we are increasingly becoming into contact with them. One of the challenges they face is understanding from the UK church. Being a Jewish believer in Jesus is a unique experience and some find it difficult to find a church that understands and accepts who they are.

**Please pray** for the churches in the UK to be open to Jewish believers and their unique identity. **Please pray** for Messianic Fellowships in the UK to be strong and to have wise and godly leaders.

**Please pray for the Maoz UK trustees.** We have 8 trustees, 5 in South East UK, 2 in Ireland and one in Israel. Please pray that the Lord will give them wisdom to govern and steer Maoz UK.

**Please pray for Maoz UK staff**, Brian and Elizabeth, Colin, and Petra. May the Lord keep them healthy and focussed on His priorities.

Brian Greenaway will be speaking at 2020VISION The Victory Hall, Warsash, Southampton on Saturday 1st February 2020 at 7pm. If you are local please do come along. **Please pray for this visit.** 

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