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Dear brothers and sisters in Messiah,

Shalom! שלום!

"Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of Jehovah unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith Jehovah of hosts." Zechariah 4:6

זְכַרְיָה 4:6 "וַיַּעַן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר יְהוָה אֶל־זְרֻבָּבֶל לֵאמֹר לֹא בְחֵיל וְלֹא בִקְצָה כִּי אִם־בְּרוּחִי אֶמֶר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

As we write our first newsletter for the year 2025, we trust that, by the grace of God, you are all doing well. We want to express our thanks for your messages, calls, and cards we received for the New Year. We apologize if we have not responded as yet to some of you. Due to the month-long postal strike in Canada, there is a back-log and some mail has not yet arrived. Our sincere apologies for the delay.

There is a Hebrew expression, L'shanah Tovah Tikatevu, which Jews worldwide use at the start of each new year. L'shanah Tovah Tikatevu means, may you be inscribed in the Book of Life. There is a deep longing in the hearts of our people to be accepted by God and to be written in the Book of Life. Sadly, however, many lack this assurance due to spiritual blindness concerning the Messiahship of Yeshua Jesus. This is why we, like the apostle Paul, continue to pray for the salvation of Israel. As Paul writes in Romans 10:1, **Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.**

Though our people express this desire for one another, the sad reality is that most, do not know that the Messiah has already come. As a result, they cannot have the assurance that their sins are forgiven or that their names are inscribed in the Book of Life. The prophet Isaiah said, **All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way, and the LORD hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.** Isaiah 53:6.



But praise God, every believer in the Lord Jesus the Messiah has the blessed assurance that their name is written in the Book of Life because their sins are forgiven. The Messiah, Yeshua, took upon Himself the punishment we deserved because of our sins. As Paul wrote to the Philippians, **...my fellow labourers, whose names are in the Book of Life.** Philippians 4:3b. John the apostle also assures us in Revelation 21:27. **But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.**

It is especially encouraging, in these last days of the church age, to have a small part in sharing the Word of God. We are witnessing how the Lord, by His Spirit, is working in hearts—including some within our people of Israel who are being exposed to the Gospel, the Scriptures, and the person of Yeshua.

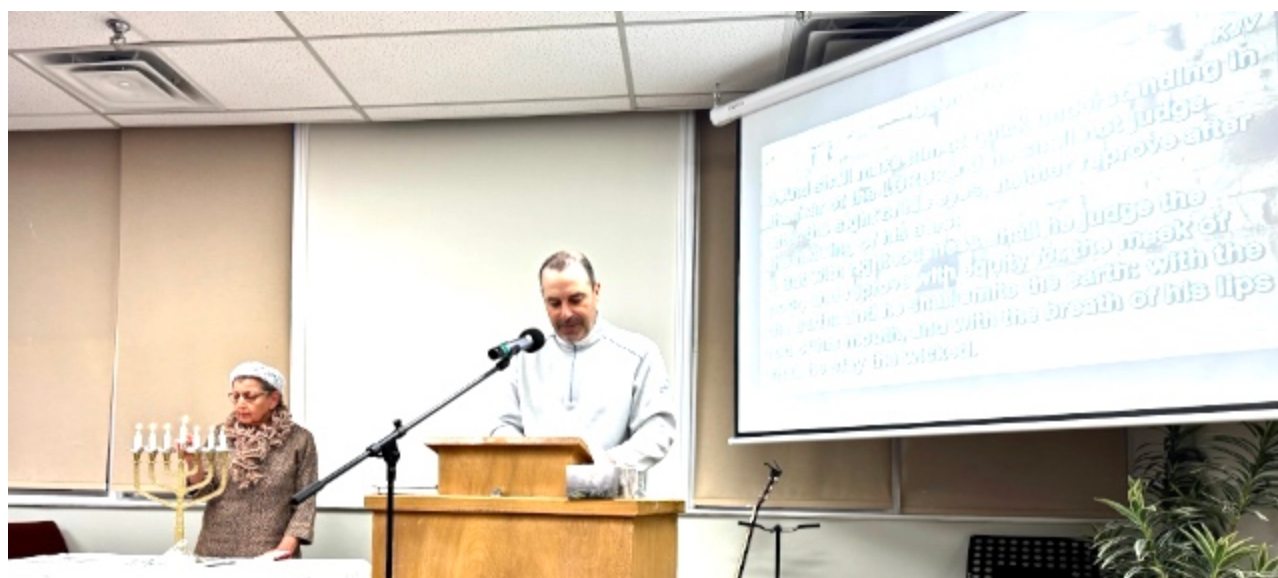
The Lord blessed us during our recent in-person meeting, which was refreshing for all who could attend. It was great to gather with those who faithfully join our ongoing weekly Zoom meetings. The attendance was encouraging, and the desire to hear from God's Word was evident. Although there are many discouragements in this world, we are always blessed when we come to hear from the Word of God.



The message shared was taken from Psalm 27, where David, the king of Israel, turned to the LORD for help. We read. **The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear, The LORD is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid.** Psalm 27:1. David had confidence in the LORD despite having many enemies. He concluded the psalm with this exhortation. **Wait on the LORD, be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; wait, I say, on the LORD.** Psalm 27:14.

We are also glad that others, living in different places, could join us for these meetings via Zoom —some even joining from the hospital. These Bible teachings are recorded for anyone who would like to listen to them. You may access the recordings using the following link: [Zoom Link](#) and Passcode: cQ#h#k82

It is always an encouragement to hear from listeners to our radio Bible teaching program. Recently, we received a call from a dear brother in California, who listens regularly to the KDIA radio station in San Francisco. Brother G shared how much he is encouraged and blessed by the radio ministry. We have also been in touch with an elderly sister in New York, who listens to our program on WDCX radio in Buffalo, NY. Sister M, too, finds the radio ministry to be a great source of encouragement. Please continue to pray for those who are unable to move about as others due to age, health, or other limitations. The Lord will use His Word for the benefit of saints and sinners alike. As Psalm 119:130 says, **The entrance of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.**



Regarding our video outreach efforts, our eldest son, Shalom, continues to be a great help with his computer skills in the development of our Holy Scriptures and Israel ministry. Setting up a home studio for recording Bible teachings, editing footage, and posting on various social media platforms takes time and technical knowledge. You can find our videos at the following links:

- [YouTube](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- [X](#)
- [Rumble](#)

Recently, we began airing our Bible classes on Rumble. To receive notifications of any live Bible study on Rumble, please register and subscribe to the Holy Scriptures and Israel channel. As the Lord Jesus our Messiah promised, **Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away.** Matthew 24:35.



Before we close this letter, we wish to acknowledge the recent release of three of the many Israeli hostages held by Hamas, who were returned to their families in Israel yesterday. We thank the Lord for His goodness and mercy, and we rejoice with their families. At the same time, over ninety Israelis remain in captivity under the terrorist organization Hamas. We ask you to continue to pray for their safety and for the comfort of their anguished families. We trust that they, too, will be released. All things are in the hands of the Lord, and we pray that many will turn their hearts to Jesus the Messiah during these challenging days.

We wish you all brothers and sisters a blessed New Year in 2025. Thank you for your prayers for us and the outreach ministry of the Holy Scriptures and Israel. May the Lord return soon!

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints.

Please pray for:

- The Bible teaching program through radio and video.
- The listeners of our radio and video ministry.
- The personal contacts the Lord brings to us.
- The spiritual growth and encouragement of believers.
- The salvation of those still without Messiah.
- The Israeli hostages and their families.
- The needed grace for our family.
- **Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.** Psalm 122:6

"For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."
Isaiah 62:1

God bless you.

In Messiah,

Aaron & Irene