



PASSING THROUGH THE GATE

“THE ONE WHO BREAKS OPEN THE WAY WILL
GO UP BEFORE THEM; THEY WILL BREAK
THROUGH THE GATE AND GO OUT. THEIR
KING WILL PASS THROUGH BEFORE THEM,
THE LORD AT THEIR HEAD.” MICAH 2:13 NIV

A Christian ministry assisting Jewish people moving to Israel

NEW YORK CITY—A MUCH GREATER PRAYER FOCUS

USA



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When first introduced to Operation Exodus, I was somewhat of a skeptic and wondered why Gentiles should have a role in helping Jews return to Israel. I was given a booklet titled *Promises for Israel* and the Return of the Jewish People, which contained essentially nothing but Bible verses. I began to see many verses in a new light, especially Isaiah 49:22, “*Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations, and raise my signal to the peoples; and they shall bring your sons in their arms, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders.’*” *ESV*

After re-reading *Promises for Israel* and hearing several teachers expound on it, I gradually came to realize that God’s plan is for Gentiles to have a part in helping Jews return to the Land, and as they returned, God would touch their hearts in a new way (Ezekiel 36:22-28). This is happening today throughout the world. In 2018,

we were able to help over 800 Jewish people make Aliyah (go up to Israel) from the US; this was a dramatic and unexpected increase.

Operation Exodus was birthed, sustained and led in prayer to assist Jewish people to return to Israel. In looking at the population of the US, we find the major concentration of Jews—approximately 1 million—is in New York City (NYC). This year, we want to make the city a much greater prayer focus, so we are planning to establish a national intercessory network to be interceding for NYC. We also want to send people into Brooklyn to intercede at strategic places throughout the city.

Additionally, the Lord is calling us to establish, by the end of the year a Furnace of prayer, which will be one full day (24 hours) per month of Aliyah-focused prayer.



As our world rapidly changes and the love of many grows cold, including the rise of anti-Semitism, we want to make the most of this time.

Thank you so much for your support, which has allowed Operation Exodus USA to continue to bring encouragement to so many Jewish individuals and families as they leave for Israel.

We invite you to continue to invest in the work of Operation Exodus.

WHAT DOES MICAH 2:12-13 HAVE TO DO WITH ALIYAH?

"I will surely gather Jacob—all of you! I will surely gather the remnant of Israel. I will put them together like sheep in a pen, like a flock within its pasture. They will be noisy with people." Micah 2:12 TLV

Compassion! The prophet has been exposing the sins of the people and their consequences in the previous two chapters. Suddenly there is an abrupt "about face"—a sure promise to gather them. The shepherd/sheep imagery in Scripture is associated with compassion. Micah 2:12 exposes the LORD's heart. See Hosea 6:6 and 11:8; Matthew 9:13.

The LORD is at the heart of Aliyah. *"ADONAI builds up Jerusalem. He gathers the exiles of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."* Psalms 147:2-3 TLV. The heart of the LORD—His compassion—shines brilliantly through the Aliyah.

"One breaking through will go up before them. They will break through, pass through the gate and go out by it. Their King will pass through before them—ADONAI at their head!" Micah 2:13 TLV. Breakthrough! True compassion leads to action. No less than twelve Gospel scriptures

tell us that Jesus' compassion motivated Him to heal, deliver, teach, forgive and feed people. The shepherd, tender toward his sheep, is fierce toward the enemy's devices that attempt to obstruct the path on which He is leading them.

Micah intimates that a tremendous BREAKTHROUGH against seemingly invincible opposition to the release of the sheep is needed. Only supernatural power will prevail. The "One breaking through" and "their King" are clearly identified as ADONAI.

Micah 2:12-13 is His promise of what He will do. Our part is faith in action—the first action being fervent prayer. We pray for the Aliyah of His people—specifically from the USA—and more specifically from New York City, which houses approximately 1.1 million Jews:

"Praise You, Father, that You have gathered Your remnant in NYC. You are going up before them to break open the way. They pass through the gate that leads to Israel, with You at their head. Amen."

To join our company of intercessors from all over the USA, please see details on the last page of this newsletter.

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KEY WORDS

Aliyah is the word for the immigration of Jewish people from the Diaspora to the Land of Israel. The word in Hebrew means ascent and is defined as 'going up' – progressing towards Jerusalem.

Olim means Jewish immigrants to Israel – those making **Aliyah**. In the singular, a male immigrant is called an **oleh** and a female immigrant an **olah**. Potential Olim are those our teams contact and encourage to make Aliyah.



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ALIYAH FROM THE NATIONS

Ebenezer Operation Exodus first begun helping Olim make Aliyah from the countries of the former Soviet Union back in 1991. Since then we have continued our work in these countries, but today that work has grown and we are now helping olim from the nations shown on the map below. The Lord is bringing back His Chosen People from all over the world in fulfillment of Biblical prophecy and it is our privilege to be able to be involved in this Holy work.





"Then it will happen on that day that the LORD will again recover the second time with His hand The remnant of His people, who will remain... He will lift up a standard for the nations and assemble the banished ones of Israel, and will gather the dispersed of Judah From the four corners of the earth." Isaiah 11:11-12



FROM BROOKLYN TO FLORIDA TO ISRAEL “WITH GOD’S HELP”

USA



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Is it any wonder that the Lord had Operation Exodus USA open an office in Brooklyn when 13 percent of close to 9 million people in the greater New York City (NYC) area are Jewish? That is huge!

The need is great, especially in Brooklyn and the other four boroughs within NYC. Jewish families, especially those who are observant, feel called to Israel but simply cannot afford to make Aliyah. They cannot even afford to ship their absolute essentials. Many need assistance to just load up and get to the airport. Do you feel called to volunteer in a practical way with boots on the ground? Or is it that you cannot physically help, but can send a donation? Or pray? Prayer opens the way!

How do you eat an elephant? One bite at a time. Starting in Brooklyn, our goal over the next twelve months is to have a presence in each borough, one by one, to be readily available to meet the needs of our Jewish friends. Friends like Chanale, who moved from Brooklyn, say:

“We began to question whether our commitment to life and success here in the USA is a worthwhile

investment, considering the tumultuous nature of the recent elections and the simmering of anti-Semitism that seems to be threatening to rear its ugly head. We have discussed this for hours and hours, made lists of the pros and cons, and really believe that, with God’s help, the next chapter of our story will take place in Israel, where our children can connect with the culture, history, and holiness that are part and parcel of the land of the Jews...Finally, home! We are doing very well, and our family is very happy here in Israel.”

Chanale wrote the song, “I Am the Land”:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KIFqXvjRiVM>

By God’s Grace and with your partnership, we were able to assist over 800 Jewish people to make Aliyah last year, and over 3,700 since 2006!

Would you like to support friends like Chanale to make Aliyah? Do you want to pray or volunteer for NYC? Please go to the last page of this newsletter for more details.

Thank you for your faithful support.



Chanale with her family
family at the Western
Wall in Jerusalem

PERSISTENCE PAYS OFF

Eugenia had been discouraged from going to Israel but now she was more determined than ever to live there.

Eugenia, her two daughters—Carolina (11) and Yana (3)—and her parents lived in the Dnepropetrovsk region of Ukraine. Her grandfather was Jewish. “He dreamt about going to Israel all his life, but his dream never came true,” she told us. During World War II he hid from the Nazis in cellars and forests, cutting off the hair of his son (Eugenia’s father) to prevent him from being recognized as Jewish.

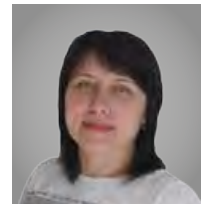
Eugenia’s parents, both professional musicians, did not want to go to Israel, and told her that the family documents had been lost and could not be restored. After university, Eugenia worked in a bank for 15 years. A friend moved to Israel and shortly afterwards wrote, saying she was happy there and encouraged Eugenia to start searching for family documents so that she could come too. She became very enthusiastic about the idea, believing that she and her two daughters would have a much better life in Israel.

Eugenia went to Donetsk, despite the fighting, and searched for her grandfather’s papers to prove his Jewish roots: “I managed to obtain a number of documents and submitted them for a consular check-up,” she related. Wonderfully, the family members were granted Israeli visas. She told her parents and was thrilled that they had now become keen about making Aliyah, especially through discovering that students at the music school where her father once taught had moved to Israel.

Eugenia was particularly excited for her younger daughter, saying “Yana has a congenital malformation of her right hand, and there are only three fingers on it. She needs an artificial wrist.” This type of surgery is impossible in Ukraine and very expensive in Moscow, but Eugenia believes her daughter will get the treatment she needs at the Wrist Prosthetics Department of the Rambam Hospital near Haifa, where the family aimed to settle.

“Thank you so much for the food parcel for Hanukkah and for helping with the passports and to go to Donetsk for consular appointments,” said Eugenia.

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ALIYAH IN THE MIDST OF ANTI-SEMITISM & VIOLENCE

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"Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." Isaiah: 43:19 NKJV

Dear Prayer partners, we are grateful for your prayers for Latin America as we see the Holy Spirit leading us in opening routes for the Aliyah in the midst of growing anti-Semitism and violence.

In Argentina, home of the largest Jewish population in Latin America, there is a continuous provision of volunteers, and by God's grace, with the help of the Jewish Agency and other Jewish Organizations, Ebenezer Emergency Fund continues to help in each Olim case. Please pray for God's wisdom and provision, as transportation for our volunteers is limited, and

we continue to receive Aliyah applications and humanitarian aid requests. We are grateful for the Lord's wisdom to be able to assist Venezuelan Jews in their traveling to Colombia to receive their necessary legal documentation and flights. Pray for pastors and churches who are called to help, and for the existing resource network to assist as Aliyah requests increase.

Pray for the provision of a house in Bogotá, Colombia, where Olim can stay as they wait for flight arrangements and approvals. Pray for Brazil, for the new teaching workshops for the Church, and for a growing trust with the Jewish Agency as God is bringing new Aliyah projects in São Paulo. We consider how vital the unity in the Spirit of God is for this time; it goes beyond borders as the American Continent has the largest Jewish community in the World.

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EXPLORERS EXPERIENCE

Explore the Land of miracles, see the ancient stories of the Scriptures come to life, walk where Jesus walked and go deeper in your faith as we enjoy times of teaching, worship and prayer. Make friends for life as you go on the journey of a lifetime – The Explorers Experience.

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WARRIORS EXPERIENCE

Have you been to Israel and are looking to go deeper? Do you want to grow in worship and intercession? Join us on the Warrior Experience and plunge deeper in your understanding with expert teaching on prayer, intercession and worship in the end time army of God.

AGES 18-35+

PIONEERS EXPERIENCE

This hands on experience will join you to the Land of Israel like never before. Literally put your hands on the Land as we use our hands to plant trees, paint and build houses, spending an exciting time with locals who are really seeing Israel grow from the roots up. Get a close up view of Biblical prophecy coming to life on this ground-breaking experience!

DATES

PRICE

Explorers:	11-22 July 2019	\$1690 (full board, excl. flights)
Warriors:	22-29 July 2019	\$1190 (half board, excl. flights)
Pioneers:	22-29 July 2019	\$990 (half board, excl. flights)

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