

Jerusalem, April 4th 2010

Dear brothers and sisters in our Lord Jesus the Messiah, Shalom!

It is Sunday, not a usual one. It's the Sunday that follows the Saturday after Passover. It's a Sunday which is one of the feasts of the Lord mentioned in Leviticus 23.

All the feasts are symbols and shadows of Christ's work on our behalf (Col 2:16-17, Gal 4:8-11).

In each of the appointed times mention in Leviticus 23, our Lord Jesus fulfilled one of the "stations" in the plan of Salvation and advancing His Kingdom.

This is the Sunday when my Lord rose from the dead.

My Lord Jesus started the new covenant in His death. My Lord Jesus did not rise from the dead and walked on earth in order to prove something to God the father. He rose from the dead and showed Himself to the disciples and other people so they may believe that He conquered death.

We speak a lot about Christ's death, but we should better balance it with His resurrection.

My Lord is not with the dead but among the living (Luke 24:5-6).

We have a great hope! Death has no dominion on us! What a joy!

This fact should encourage us to obey the word of our Lord in all conditions (1st Cor 15:54-58).

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Evangelisms: March – Passover media campaign

Thank God, the media evangelism campaign went well. We had banners running on some major websites. One of the Internet portals dropped us in the last moment due to fear from religious groups. By God's grace, a third internet portal accepted our offer and the banners were on the front pages for a week.

The pop up banner said: Passover is coming! Are you ready?

A click on a button showed a 4 minutes video on Jesus in the Passover.

We also offered a free book: Jesus in the Old Testament.

The same video is also posted for this season in our www.Yeshua.co.il website.

Beside the internet pop up banners, we also rented a van for two weeks. The van was covered with a poster that looked like the internet banner. A few people from church drove the van each day for two weeks all through Israel.

People were encouraged to call or check our website for more information and free literature.

Since we had a youth camp in Eilat (the most southern city in Israel), the van was driving the youth as well. It is important for us that our children will be a part of such an operation.

As a result of the campaign an elderly man who is an uncle of one of our church members received the Lord and wants to be baptized! About 1500 people clicked-in to watch the movie and the visits to our websites were doubled.

We pray that many lives will be changed and that more knees and tongues will confess today that Jesus is Lord.

Evangelism for us is not a one a year project.

Each week a team from our church is walking in the neighborhoods of Jerusalem and fill mailboxes with gospel tracts. We teach and encourage all the church to stand firm in their faith in Christ Jesus.

Each week people call and share their views. Some are unpleasant to hear and some are an answer to prayers.

Please continue to pray for the teams who dedicate much of their time to share the news of salvation.

First Passover Seder in the new church building

By God's grace, phase one of the church renovation is done. Half of the area is renovated while the other half is almost untouched and needs to be built. But, while the workers are away, less dust and noise are in our eyes, ears and noses.

On March 29th in the evening we celebrated the Passover Seder with 180 people. The fellowship hall was beautifully decorated and the food was great.

We read from the word of God the story of Exodus and after dinner, we taught how Christ Jesus was our Passover Lamb.

The gospel was introduced in words and in drama skits by our children.

The door posts were covered with cardboard and the kids painted it red. That gave them a better understanding of the event that took place many years ago.

We thank God who provides all our needs!

Passover youth camp

Passover is one of the major feasts in Israel and the schools are off for two weeks.

A few Christian organizations offer camps for different age groups, some of our kids apply and are set for the vacation. Some others are not... So, we have our own church youth camp.

The day after the Passover Seder, we took the kids to Eilat and studied 1st John intensively. The camp was so blessed! We could reach the hearts of the kids; the fellowship and teaching encouraged them to keep fellowship with believers, live for the Lord and not skip the church meetings.

Having a camp in the desert does not mean that you must eat sand... Each morning we prepared a high quality nutritious breakfast for our little angels and for dinner they had a delicious BBQ.

A good activity for unity is searching wood for the fire...and God provided even enough to cook all we needed.

In one place where we parked, we found a wood palate. It looked like a Fata Morgana a 'Mirage', so much wood right there. As we came closer, we saw a note on it, saying: "Please don't take, we will return later". Knowing the value of such commodity in the desert, we respected their request and God gave us all the wood we needed.

We pray that these kids will love God enough that they may not go into the world as they reach the problematic youth age.

Status of Jerusalem Assembly Ministry center

Phase one of the renovations is done.

We meet in the fellowship room that we renovated with our youth group last Christmas. We use the offices area but bring our own furniture from home.

The main service hall, classes and recording studio will be renovated in phase two. Meanwhile it is a big black room.

As for now, we continue to pray and present our needs before our Lord.

Though we continue to give sacrificially toward the completion of the church project, we do need your help. Please continue to pray for us that the completion will be soon.

You may see pictures of renovations in

<http://www.jerusalemassembly.com/Resources/Pictures.aspx?Lang=eng>

You may choose the pictures related to each work week.

Helping the Sudanese refugees:

The Sudanese refugees' flux into Israel is minimal. Israel and Egypt tightened the security measures and now it is almost impossible for anyone to cross the border in the desert. That does not change the situation of the existing 7000 Sudanese refugees who succeeded entering to the land.

Our church continues supporting them in:

Paying most of their church rent

Helping families in need with rent, utilities and health bills.

Paying the school fees and assisting with living expenses for Atom and Mathew who are studying in Nazareth bible school.

Please prayerfully consider partnering with us in these projects.

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Jerusalem Assembly – House of Redemption

1st Cor 15.