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I will bless those who bless you.

GENESIS 12:3



700 Club Partners Are a Blessing to Israel



Serving the King in Jerusalem

by MICHAEL LITTLE
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I had the great privilege of participating in the prayer dedication service for our new CBN News Middle East Bureau in Jerusalem. Overlooking the Old City, Mount Zion, and the Mount of Olives, our new TV studio enables Bureau Chief Chris Mitchell and his dedicated staff to broadcast more news stories and features about the land, people, and biblical significance of Israel.

Thanks to your partnership, CBN's presence in Jerusalem is also a reminder to Israel's people of our continual prayers and spiritual support.

In that same city 3,000 years ago, King Solomon pleased the Lord with his prayer for wisdom, asking to be a wise leader as he influenced others for the sake of God's kingdom.

Today, as subjects of the King of kings, we desire to influence the nations by proclaiming the message of His hope and love in Jerusalem and throughout the earth. God bless you!

Michael D. Little

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STANDING WITH ISRAEL

700 Club partners demonstrate God's love

In Genesis 12:2-3, God promised Abraham, *I will make you into a great nation ... I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you* (NIV).

May is a significant month in Jewish history. On May 14, 1948, the modern-day State of Israel was born. The Lord rebuilt Israel — just as He declared He would through the prophet Ezekiel.

Today, 700 Club partners are living out the biblical promise of blessing Israel by providing help and hope through many compassionate outreaches.

“There’s a huge need in the Holocaust survivor community,” explains Gordon Robertson. “Thousands are living on the poverty line in Israel with state assistance. Many feel forgotten and still suffer with the horror of the Holocaust. The memories are very vivid and present to them. We are showing that Christians love them and care about them.”

In addition, 700 Club partners helped evacuate elderly residents and children from Sderot when it was being hit by 20 to 80 rockets a day from Gaza.

Gordon says, “We’re also reaching out to new immigrants to Israel. They often arrive with no jobs and no understanding of the language or the culture. We come alongside them with livelihood training and language-education programs.”

“At the same time, we want to put an arm around the Arabic community,” he continues. “It’s our mandate to show them that God loves them.” Partners like you delivered nine trucks of food and supplies to needy residents in the West Bank.

Gordon says, “There’s an untold story about the decline of the Christian community in the face of the violence there. Particularly in Bethlehem and Nazareth, the Christian community has been driven out. We’ve had a longstanding relationship with churches in Bethlehem and want to help them.” Recently, you gave 400 people in Bethlehem free treatment at a four-day eye clinic, including cataract surgery — giving sight to some who were nearly blind!

“Our goal is to be a blessing to Israel,” Gordon adds. “This is definitely on God’s heart.”

Photo: Mark Woodland

TEACHING by PAT ROBERTSON

A Miracle of God

The Lord has rebuilt what was destroyed



The return of the Jewish people in 1948 to the land promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is a miracle of God. Ezekiel prophesied: *Then the nations ... will know that I the LORD have rebuilt what was destroyed* (Ezekiel 36:36 NIV).

I have long felt that CBN’s destiny is linked with Israel’s. As we broke ground for a new studio in 1967, what is now known as the Six Day War began, reuniting Jerusalem under Jewish rule and fulfilling Jesus’ words in Luke

21:24: Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled (KJV).

Evangelical Christians support Israel because we believe that the prophets were inspired by God, that Israel will bless all nations, that Jerusalem is our spiritual capital, and that Jesus — a Jew — is our Messiah.

God has blessed and protected America because we have stood with Israel, an island of democracy in a sea of totalitarian regimes. Today, however, Israel’s existence is threatened by Iran’s nuclear potential and by falsehoods that prevail in the court of world opinion. Why? Satan doesn’t like Israel. It is “Exhibit A” that God exists and His Word is true.

When I visited Israel during the war against Hezbollah in 2006, people were so grateful that someone would come under wartime conditions to say, “We love and care for you.” Now more than ever, we must stand firm in our support. God bless you.



ISRAEL, MY BELOVED

by GEORGE WOODWARD
President of The Christian Broadcasting Associates

Isaiah 62:1 says, "...I will not rest, until (Zion's) righteousness goes forth as brightness and her salvation as a lamp that burns." The Gospel must come to the Jewish people. It has been written, prophesied, longed for and even died for. As it says in Romans 2:10, "to the Jew first and then the Gentile."

The Father has not changed His mind, nor abandoned His chosen people. And He hasn't

transferred all of His Old Testament promises to the New Testament Church at the expense and exclusion of His beloved Jewish people.

CBA has been a prayerful and financial supporter of Israel for many years. We are responsible to care for Canada. But as the grafted-in children of God, we are also to care for Israel – because God's heart is still for His chosen people.



God's Promises to Israel

You shall be My people, and I will be your God. ~ EZEKIEL 36:28

by GORDON ROBERTSON
Chief Executive Officer of The Christian Broadcasting Network

Jeremiah, who is often called "the weeping prophet," lamented over the Israelites' exile to Babylon. Yet within the prophecy of judgment, he also had good news.

Whenever God disciplines His children, He always has a promise of redemption.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart (Jeremiah 29:11-13).

The secret to finding God is to search for Him with all our hearts, and then we can have His promise in verse 14: *I will be found by you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back from your captivity; I will gather you from all the nations.*

Ezekiel also wrote of God's will for Israel and the promise to gather the exiles back to the Holy Land: *I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them. Then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; you shall be My people, and I will be your God* (Ezekiel 36:26-28).

God wants to fulfill this promise today! And the secret to obtaining this promise is to ask for it: *Thus says the Lord GOD: "I will also let the house of Israel inquire of Me to do this for them ..."* (Ezekiel 36:37). Together, we can ask God to pour out His Spirit on all flesh, to take out our hearts of stone and give us hearts of flesh, to put His Spirit within us and cause us to walk in His statutes. And we can pray that God will do this especially for the house of Israel.

We are seeing reports of signs and wonders from around the world. And just as the apostles witnessed miracles in their day, we are witnessing incredible miracles today and seeing signs of His return. Together, we are preparing the way for the King of Glory. As Isaiah prophesied, *The glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together* (Isaiah 40:5).

Scripture is quoted from the NKJV.

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