

ALIYAH NOW URGENCY FUELED BY COVID-19

HE WILL LIFT UP FLAGS FOR THE NATIONS, AND WILL GATHER TOGETHER THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL... HE WILL BRING THEM BACK FROM THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH.

ISAIAH 11:12 NLV

A Christian ministry assisting Jewish people moving to Israel

AMERICAN JEWS LOOKING TO ISRAEL AS THEIR HOME AGAINST THE BACKDROP OF COVID-19



JOHN PROSSER President & CEO

In that day the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to bring back the remnant of his people. Isaiah 11:11 NLT

t the beginning of this year, we clearly heard from the Lord that Operation Exodus USA was entering a new season—that this year would be the beginning of a massive Aliyah from our nation and around the world.

I could not have envisioned that, against the backdrop of COVID-19, God would bring about a paradigm shift that would forever alter American Jews' perception of Israel. The calamity of this insidious virus, with great loss of life in Jewish communities, has turned the hearts of Jewish people toward Israel—for many, the first time in their lives.

An article written by Rabbi Elchanan Poupko, president of EITAN-The American-Israeli Jewish Network in New York City, recently caught my attention. He wrote in part, "The difference between the situation of Jews in the Diaspora and those in Israel during the corona pandemic has led to a change in the way Diaspora Jews look at the Jewish state, ...If there is one thing we know about the post-coronavirus era that connects with the post-WWII era, it is that we have no idea what the world will look like. ...One thing we do know for certain: The Aliyah apocalypse is coming. ..."

As life continues to become more unsettled in our nation and throughout the world, the growing momentum of change will bring about a tsunami of Aliyah as Jewish people from all over the world return to their God-given land, Israel.

As we continue to forge ahead in these dangerous and unprecedented times, much prayer, deeper prayer, and deeper commitment are required of each one of us. Aliyah is not a man-made work; it is a holy work that only God can bring about. He is stretching out His hand a second time to re-gather His people home.

It's a privilege to partner with God in this end-time prophetic work. What an honor it is for me to serve God together with you. Thank you for your faithful and generous support. May God continue to prosper you and your families with His divine health, protection, and provision. May your hearts be filled with His shalom.



The calamity of this insidious virus, with great loss of life in Jewish communities, has turned the hearts of Jewish people toward Israel—for many, the first time in their lives.

ALIYAH TO ISRAEL BECOMES THE JOURNEY TO SAFETY IN THE MIDST OF COVID-19

A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I Jehovah, will hasten it in its time. Isaiah 60:22 ASV

isten, ... the alarm clock of Aliyah is ringing. It is announcing that a wave of Aliyah is coming, and it is coming soon. God says that there is an appointed time for when the alarm clock has been set, and at that certain time it will go off. When the alarm goes off, it is time to go—time for our Jewish friends to go from Hope to Home. Now is the time for them to hear the ringing of the alarm clock. It is also time for us to hear it. Jews and Gentiles need to be ready to arise at the sound of the alarm clock going off.

The whole chapter of Isaiah 60 is a message of great hope for Israel. What especially gets my attention is verse 22, which says that God is going to take Israel, which is a small nation, and increase it to become a strong nation. One way I believe this will happen is by a big wave of Aliyah. The timing for that wave is now. Suddenly, the one thing the world is focused on is COVID-19. The virus has brought a pause to the nations. COVID-19 has become the reason why many Jewish people understand that Israel is their safe haven. Suddenly they no longer feel safe outside of Israel.

For years, we have all prayed and wondered what the green light will be for the Jewish people to know that they know that now is the time to go home to Eretz (Land) Israel, where their safety will be guaranteed. During these challenging days of COVID-19, our Jewish friends understand that the anchors that were keeping them out of Israel are no longer strong enough to keep them grounded in the diaspora. A shaking has taken place. The roots that have kept them in the diaspora are no longer strong enough to keep them there. They are hearing the alarm clock go off, and they are getting up and going home to Eretz Israel.

"And there is hope for your future — declares Hashem: Your children shall return to their country." Jeremiah 31:16 The Israel Bible

During these challenging days of COVID-19, our Jewish friends understand that the anchors that were keeping them out of Israel are no longer strong enough to keep them grounded in the diaspora.



SHIRLEY LAWRENSON ALIYAH DIRECTOR USA

FROM 1945 TO COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC



DR. SUSANNA KOKKONEN INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER AND WRITER

ith the miracle of Israel's rebirth in its ancient homeland in May 1948, a new period in biblical prophecy and geopolitical actuality started. Over 70 per cent of the Jewish Holocaust survivors eventually reached Eretz Israel, their ancient new homeland. In Europe, and one could argue in the Western world, the end of WWII began a Golden Age of unprecedented political freedom, religious liberty, and economic progress. Since the Holocaust, anti-Semitism has become taboo, and Jews in the Western world have enjoyed the same stable conditions as have their fellow citizens.

The anti-Semitism of the past two decades is a troubling and growing phenomenon. The scale suggests Jews of today may have to face the same choices their grandparents faced. Anti-Semitism has become reality on university campuses and in media, NGOs, and some churches. The hatred comes from every political group and brings together people and ideas that otherwise have nothing in common. Verbal violence has escalated to vandalism against Jewish targets and murderous attacks against Jewish worshipers. Synagogues and community centers in Europe and the USA have been spray-painted with ugly slogans.

During COVID-19, anti-Semitism has spread like wildfire in the social media. Iran's leaders and media have accused Israel of spreading the virus. In social media across Europe and the USA, the virus is sometimes drawn with a Jewish face. In the USA, various writers instructed anti-Jewish activists who have tested positive to enter synagogues—this to spread the virus into Jewish communities. Israeli deaths are being celebrated online. Finally, as researchers around the world are struggling to find a COVID-19 cure, one thing is evident: if Israeli scientists are the first to succeed, this will be seen as a Jewish effort to benefit from the crisis.

Thus, anti-Semitism is very much alive and part of current societal discourse. In the anti-Semitic worldview, Jews and Israel are to be hated. Nothing they can do or say can change this.

What are we to do? We must stand against hatred. My advice is to pray and act. I am thankful that ministries such as Operation Exodus USA have taken a strong stand against anti-Semitism, and they support and stand with Israel while encouraging and materially supporting those who wish to make Aliyah.

Dr. Susanna Kokkonen has her degree in Holocaust Studies from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. She worked as the Director of Christian Friends of Yad Vashem in Jerusalem between 2008 - 2018.

She frequently travels around the world speaking about anti-Semitism, the Holocaust, and persecution of Christians. Her book 'Journey to the Holocaust: Anti-Semitism, the Bible, and History' is now available on Amazon.

Her website is: www.susannakokkonen.com

ALIGNING WITH GOD'S HEART FOR HIS COVENANT PEOPLE

My heart's desire is to make you into a great nation, to bless you, to make your name great so that you may be a blessing. My desire is to bless those who bless you, but whoever curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth will be blessed. Genesis 12:2-3 TLV

he faithful hand of God Almighty is clearly on Israel and the Jewish people. His covenant plan to restore the Jewish people to their homeland continues to unfold before us, and He is calling Gentile believers to play a key role in the process. As a Gentile Christian, I am excited and honored to be aligned with God's redemptive plans in this hour.

transformed. Moreover, in the days that followed, the Lord called many into ministries of prayerful intercession in alignment with the plans of His heart to restore His firstborn, Israel. Operation Exodus was founded in a similar manner; those were amazing days!

The present Aliyah and the testimonies of Jewish people being called home are clear reminders of God's redemptive plans to bring His covenant people home. What an opportunity this is for Christians to participate with Him in His plans. There are many ways to honor and serve God's plans. Praying and supporting Aliyah through the work of Operation Exodus USA is one of the ways that the Lord calls us to be active participants with him.



JOHN MACLEAN
PRESIDENT/CEO
TARGET FLAVORS

The present Aliyah and the testimonies of Jewish people being called home are clear reminders of God's redemptive plans to bring His covenant people home.

The Lord spoke clearly to my heart in the 1970s, and in the 80s and 90s He led me to take Gentile tour groups to Israel for prayer and understanding. He put a love in my heart for His people and the Land. Not surprisingly, during the group tours He opened many hearts to receive His love for the Jewish people. Because of these trips, many lives were radically

I can personally testify of God's faithfulness as I continue to obey and act on the revelation He put in my own heart: to pray for His firstborn—Israel—and to bless His people by bringing them home. Let us continue to pray for the Lord's plans and for all believers to be aligned with His heart for HIS COVENANT PEOPLE. AMEN!





QUAY MESSNER NATIONAL PRAYER COORDINATOR

Here I am, doing a new thing... Isaiah 43:19a TLV

here is no "hide and seek" going on here! God is not playing games. He clearly reveals where He is and what He is doing. The verse above is within a prophetic passage about Aliyah. Aliyah has been in the past; it is present today; and it will be in the future.

"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you...when you walk through the fire, you will not be burned..." Isaiah 43:2 TLV

In the midst of the present COVID-19 pandemic or any other unexpected, unprecedented, global or regional conditions, the LORD makes the way for His people to return to Israel according to His covenant promises. It is an ancient and sure promise; yet He is constantly doing a "new thing" by making the way in every circumstance.

The One who parted the Red Sea, who brought back the captives from Babylon, and who secured release from "the north" a few decades ago is in the midst of current events, supernaturally doing whatever it takes to "restore the captives of Zion." Psalm 126:1,4 NASB.

"...I am anointed with fresh oil." Psalm 92:10. When God does a "new thing," He pours out fresh oil — a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit compatible with the new thing. Intercessory prayer for the Aliyah has not diminished during the pandemic; rather, it continues to increase in breadth and depth.

As we pray together in Spirit and Truth, in agreement with His Word that stands forever from generation to generation for the Aliyah, we now pray for all intercessors whether seasoned through decades or brand new—"that you being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to grasp with all the saints what is the width and length and height and depth...and be filled up with all the fullness of God." Ephesians 3:18,19 TLV

"He will lift up a banner for the nations and assemble the dispersed of Israel... from the four corners of the earth!" Isaiah 11:12. This scripture is literally being fulfilled before our eyes.

You are invited to join us in triumphant intercession for what He is doing. "Here I am, doing a new thing..."

HALLELUJAH!

GOD IS FAITHFUL

Yet the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen [you] and set you on a firm foundation and guard you from the evil [one]. 2 Thess 3:3 AMPC

want to bring hope to people in the midst of the uncertainty we are facing today. In uncertain times, you have to know that God is faithful. The secret to confident living is catching the revelation of His faithfulness—His unwavering fidelity to us. We must trust in His faithfulness, even when we can't foresee the future.

God promised Abraham that he would father a great nation, even though his wife Sarah was well past her child-bearing years. God's faithfulness was Abraham's confidence that God would do all that He had promised. Similarly, our assurance and confidence in the midst of uncertain times must come from trusting in God's faithfulness.

Faithfulness is not something God *does*; it is who He *is*! Aliyah will continue because God is faithful! I want to encourage you to build your trust in the faithfulness of God.



PASTOR MARK ROBERSON OPERATIONS DIRECTOR

A "Thank You" Letter to Ebenezer Operation Exodus Jerusalem

I am honoured to thank Ebenezer and particularly Jeremy and his family, who without hesitation or delay came to the aid of new Olim—those in quarantine and those who are very newly arrived, all in great financial need—and provided food vouchers to help them get through this difficult time.

Since the Corona crisis began, we have welcomed to Israel over 600 Olim, with 72 arriving just this morning from Ethiopia. All went into quarantine directly from the airport, many coming to our canters and being welcomed by our dedicated staff that made sure the apartments were fully stocked with all that is needed during the quarantine. Lone young Olim in our programs in Beit Brodetzky TLV and Etzion Haifa are especially stressed, as they all lost their "student" jobs about a week ago and are not entitled to unemployment payments. Alone in Israel with no financial resources, they truly need ongoing help to get through this crisis.

If you are able to secure further resources for this need, it will be a huge blessing. Beyond this, it is clear the needs in the area of Aliyah will continue to increase.

Thank you and wishing you health, faith and strength.

Danielle Mor Director, Christian Friends Vice President, Israel and Global Philanthropy The Jewish Agency for Israel



ALIYAH NOW — ISRAEL — GOD'S GLORY REVEALED



ADRIANNE PROSSER OUTREACH DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

For I am ready to set things right, not in the distant future, but right now! I am ready to save Jerusalem and show my glory to Israel. Isaiah 46:13 NLT

he sudden appearance of COVID-19 has forever changed our way of living and thinking. Instantly we realized our need to keep our eyes fixed on the LORD, to trust Him, obey Him, and serve Him with all of our hearts and souls.

Aliyah is the heartbeat of the Father! He is counting on us to pray like never before, to stand in the gap for the Jewish people, to encourage and bless them. Let us lavish God's extravagant love on His precious people as they make their way home to Israel!

Our God is on the move. His plans and

purposes are going forward, actually on a fast track, so buckle your seatbelts! Daily we are inspired by the testimonies of our Jewish brothers and sisters who are going home despite COVID-19. God has cleared the airways. Imagine what He will do in the days ahead.

Pray with us as we continue to reach out to His Church with the revelation of Aliyah. His Church will stand with Israel. Jewish community relations are growing, and we are raising the banner of Aliyah.

Rejoice! For God is about to reveal His glory to Israel and His Church. Thank you for your love, amazing support, and especially your prayers.

Your prayers and giving blessed these families and many others that are now in the Land:







Operation Exodus USA PO Box 568 Lancaster, NY 14086

Phone: 716.681.6300 info@operationexodususa.org www.operationexodususa.org

Please visit our website www.operationexodususa.org for more information on prayer, teaching, volunteering, next generation, blog and giving.



