



Being A Light

A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER

At the Aliyah Foundation, we are deeply committed to our vision of Jews and Christians partnering with God to achieve the physical and spiritual restoration of Israel. We live in remarkable times, witnessing the fulfillment of biblical prophecies as God regathers His people from around the world.

Together, we can answer the cries of those in need, bringing comfort and healing into people's lives. We invite you to join us in this sacred mission to bless Israel, transform lives, and build lasting bridges between faith communities.

With you in His service,

Paul Klassen

THE REAL MEANING OF HANUKKAH

Hanukkah, or the Festival of Lights, commemorates the Jewish people's victory over the Seleucid Empire (Syrian-Greeks) in the 2nd century BC. In 165 BC, the Maccabees, a small Jewish army, rebelled against the Seleucid attempts to Hellenize Israel. When they reclaimed the Holy Temple in Jerusalem, a miracle occurred: one day's worth of oil for the menorah burned for eight days. This miracle led to the tradition of lighting the menorah each night during the eight days of Hanukkah, symbolizing the strength of the Jewish people and God's deliverance.

Dates Celebrated:
December 25, 2024
to January 2, 2025

This holiday celebrates God's eternal light, revealed through the miracle of the menorah. It points to the Messiah, the Light of the World, who came to dwell among us and offer the everlasting light of God.

This season, let us remember to "let [our] light so shine before men, that they may see [our] good works and glorify [our] Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).



Blessing Israel



Hanukkah Gifts to Orphans

This holiday season, Aliyah Foundation is helping to provide 95 gift bags to children and youth at-risk that live at Kiryat Yearim Youth Village (outside of Jerusalem), and a bunch of toys and games for a Christian children's home in Bethlehem that houses 22 orphaned children.

In addition to toys, the children will be receiving a winter hat, socks, a thermos for hot drinks, hand cream, Chapstick, a stress ball, a dreidel, and gelt.

Together, we are bringing light and hope to those who need it most.

Transforming Lives



Computer Lab for Young Adults with Special Needs

This month, Aliyah Foundation established a computer lab in Israel for youth with special needs and mobility challenges to help them learn skills that will support them in the future.

The lab was dedicated in memory, and to honor, the fallen Israeli American Hero, Col. Roi Levy, who died on October 7th, 2023.

Col. Levy's family was so touched by the dedication. They shared that, "the values and standards that Roy left us, reflect exactly the essence of this lovely and exciting project for these amazing and lovely children. We have no doubt that Roy is looking and smiling broadly as he sees the joy and happiness of these amazing children."

Bridging Faith Communities



Message of Hope

"Inside the kindergarten that Hamas terrorists burned on October 7, Pastor Gary Gardner offered a prayer: 'To be here, and see it ... we may want revenge, but what we're going to need is peace.' Gardner, from Tyler, Texas, is part of a group of three dozen Christian leaders brought to Israel this week by the Aliyah Foundation, a nonprofit that helps the needy in Israel, and helps connect Christians worldwide to the Jewish roots of their faith.

The trip was organized to show solidarity with Israel in its war against Hamas and other Iranian-backed terror groups. Along the way, the pastors are visiting Christian holy sites — and sharing blessings with war-weary Israelis."

- Joel Pollak, Breitbart News

JOIN US IN THE BLESSING

This year, we've made a real difference in Israel, offering hope, support, and brighter futures to hundreds of families in need. As we look ahead, we aim to expand our impact by **raising \$450,000** to deepen the connection between faith and action.

To make your gift, scan the QR code to the right or visit our website: [Aliyahfoundation.org](https://aliyahfoundation.org). You can also mail a check to: *Aliyah Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 74111, Richmond, Virginia 23226*

Your generosity is a powerful expression of faith and compassion. Together, we can make a lasting difference.

