

# Need Help Sharing Your Faith?



## How to Introduce Your Jewish Friends to the Messiah

We often find it difficult to share the Gospel with those whom we do not know well or feel we do not understand. This manual will help you reach Jewish people with the message of salvation.

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Kingdom, yet this is very much home. Jewish people have lived in England since the readmission of Jews to England under Oliver Cromwell in 1656. We don't really expect that antisemitism will disappear before the greatest Semite of all history, Yeshua, occupies His throne in Jerusalem to deliver and govern His people. Until then, we have the opportunity to teach about personal deliverance from the power and penalty of sin through Him.

Jews in Israel are also painfully aware of the isolation their country suffers from, which is reasonably felt as a form of antisemitism. However, God continues His work in the midst of this situation. We regularly hear wonderful reports of the growth of the Church in Israel. Our ministry there is a significant part of God's work over there, and our Messianic Centre in Jerusalem is more than fully utilized on a daily basis.

For this, we need workers, called and committed to evangelizing and discipling Jewish people. We continue to pray that God would bring people with a passion for these things. Our fellowship of Jewish believers and unbelievers continues to experience the Lord's blessing, and we have been quite encouraged to have new people coming to the last meeting.

May the Lord bless you as you bless the descendants of Abraham (Genesis 12:1-5).

Yours in Messiah Yeshua,

*Daniel*  
Daniel Nessim



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Dear Friend,  
Lonely people fill

the streets of London and the United Kingdom. This is no less true of the Jewish people. "I'm so lonely," "I'm so bored," and "I have no friends," are words we've heard from more than one Jewish Orthodox friend. Sadly, we have only recently become keenly aware of their loneliness. These are the people we reach out to with the Gospel, and we care for them. Around the table or in people's homes and coffee shops, we seek to share our lives and most importantly, our relationship with the One who gives us life.

The Lord stated long ago that it is possible for people to place stumbling blocks between others and the Kingdom of God (Romans 14:13). Sadly, there are many stumbling blocks between the Jewish people and their Messiah. These are cultural, historical, and theological in nature, and not easy to overcome. Still, some do come to faith in Yeshua, and it is our hope that we will begin to see that happen more and more often in our corner of the world, especially in the lives of those to whom we are reaching out. One of the greatest of these stumbling blocks is growing antisemitism in the 'Christian' world. Soon it will be Purim, the first of the Jewish holidays of spring. Like those who first celebrated Purim, about 2,500 years ago, Jews in the United Kingdom live dispersed from the Land that God gave to the forefathers of the Jewish people. British Jews are quite aware of the rising tides of antisemitism in the United

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## Prayer & Praise from around the World

☆ Adam and Susannah Ruditsky

Adam, from White Plains, New York, writes, 'In 1984, I became convinced that Yeshua was the Jewish Messiah and I dedicated my life to bringing the Good News of Yeshua to my own people. In 1990, I met my wife, Susannah Lipson, at a Messianic conference in Grantham, Pennsylvania. She is from London and was raised as a second generation Jewish believer.'



'We are currently planting a Messianic congregation among the 150,000 Jewish people in Westchester County. This mostly affluent and nonreligious community needs to hear that the Messiah has come.'

'I met Steve, an atheist, at one of our services. Over a period of time, we developed a friendship, and when crisis came into his life, I had the opportunity to share Messiah and minister the Lord to him. His life has been transformed, and today, I continue to disciple him.'

We look forward to the day when Susannah and her husband, Adam, come to visit us here in London, her home city!



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# The Open Secret of God's Will for Israel

Our world loves conspiracy theories. Unfortunately, many of those theories cast the Jewish people in a negative light!

Historically, conspiracy-minded antisemites have accused the Jewish people of a *secret plan* to achieve world domination. Theories like this, some recorded in the terribly antisemitic and destructive volume, *The Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, have become the basis for the persecution of the Jewish people.

The president of Iran recently held a Holocaust Denial conference in Tehran. He and many others declared the Holocaust to be a fraud—a Jewish conspiracy to seek the sympathy of the world in order to bolster the case for the existence of the State of Israel. His is a disgraceful and distasteful view—especially for those who believe that the Jewish people are God's chosen people and for the many Allied soldiers who had the unspeakable task of liberating the concentration camps.

We know that the Holocaust really happened and that it was not part of a conspiracy theory.

## The Purim Conspiracy

In a few weeks' time, Jewish people around the world will be celebrating the Festival of Purim. This is a favourite Jewish festival for a variety of reasons. The most significant of these is the fact that God

preserved the Jewish people from the evil Haman! The implications of this destruction would have been immeasurable. Some of the Bible would not have been written and the Messiah of Israel would not have been born! Neither Mary nor Joseph, nor Elizabeth nor John would have existed—all would have been destroyed by Haman's hand. Clearly there was much at stake for the entire world.

Haman had actually tried to convince King Ahasuerus that the Jewish people had formed a conspiracy to reject the king's leadership. He



## Purim – “For Such a Time as This”

*Purim* (Lots) is a holiday of unrivalled celebration in Jewish life. The words from Esther 4:14 “for such a time as this” sum up the gripping drama of an unlikely heroine who was willing to stand in the gap for the sake of her people.

Purim is celebrated with joyful gatherings and special foods such as the *hamantaschen*—a delicious cookie in the shape of the villain Haman's tricornered hat. Children perform skits called *Purimspiel*, playing the parts of the Persian King Ahasuerus, Mordecai, Haman, and, of course, the lovely Queen Esther (Hadassah in Hebrew). During the services, children drown out the name of Haman during the reading of the *megillah* (scroll) with special noisemakers called *groggers*. Even the grown-ups join in the hilarity.

Purim is celebrated on the fourteenth and fifteenth day of the month of Adar. This year, it begins at sundown on March 3.

had attempted to enact a secret plan of his own, but God would not allow it to come to pass.

The *secret plan* for the destruction of the Jewish people created by Haman came head to head with the *revealed plan* of God. The Lord's revealed plan was not a secret or conspiracy. Centuries earlier, He had spoken to Abraham and said:

*Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.* (Genesis 12:1-3)

The Lord confirmed His creation of the Jewish people and the granting of the Land to the descendants of Abraham (Genesis 26:2-5, Genesis 35:9-12). Through them would come the 'seed,' Yeshua (Jesus) through whom all the peoples of the world would be blessed in turn. Clearly the destruction of the Jewish people was in Satan's plan—but it was not in God's.

## His Secret Plan

Have you ever wondered if God had a secret plan? The truth is—He does! But, it is not a conspiracy. In Deuteronomy 29:29, Moses, under the inspiration of God Himself writes:

*The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.*

There it is, embedded in the heart of the Torah. The Lord

has told us that He holds some secrets that He may or may not choose to reveal to you and me. Perhaps we could not handle the weight of such knowledge. Nevertheless, we may be curious about the things the Lord has selected to withhold from us. The curiosity is natural, but we must be patient. One day we will know a lot more, as we will know Him because we will be like Him when we see Him as He is (1 John 3:2-3).

Meanwhile, He has clearly revealed for all mankind to read in His Word that the Land of Israel is promised to the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It is not a secret! Therefore, until Messiah returns, believers should certainly support the right of the Jewish people to possess the Land of Israel.

But, more importantly, if we want to see the remainder of God's revealed word come to pass then we should take seriously Paul's statement in Romans 1:16:

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.*

As believers in the Messiah Yeshua, we should do everything within our power to make sure the Jewish people hear the Gospel—in Israel and throughout the world. This is why your partnership with Chosen People Ministries is so important. By praying for our staff and supporting our staff and ministries, you are taking hold of your role in reaching Jewish people for Jesus.

