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# The Passover Plagues

**S**halom and Happy Passover!

I hope you receive this newsletter before Passover begins on the evening of the 15th April. However, as we have found out recently the mail can be very slow these days! It is more likely you are reading this during the biblical festival.

I love Passover. It is my favourite Jewish holiday and by far the most delicious. The array of traditional Passover dishes is magnificent. I wish you could have tasted my grandmother's chicken and matzah ball soup—not to mention her homemade *gefilte* (stuffed) fish. (By the way, do not ever ask a Jewish person what parts of the fish they used! That would be a big mistake.)

As a Messianic Jew, I have found Passover more meaningful now than I did before coming to know the Lord. As you know, the Lord's Supper—one of our most cherished spiritual ceremonies—grew out of the Passover Seder. You can find all the intricate details by going to our website and reading further or buying one of our Passover books listed on the back of this newsletter. Each book includes a Messianic Passover *Haggadah* (Passover guide) with Jesus at the center of the service—and some wonderful recipes.

If you want to observe the Passover as fulfilled in Jesus, the Lamb of God, you can this year! Passover lasts an entire week. Though we usually celebrate the Seder on the first two nights, any night during that week will do. I know it would be a wonderful experience for you, your children, Sunday school class, or small group.

*It will also further prepare your hearts for Good Friday and Resurrection Day, especially since the first night of Passover and Good Friday coincide this year!*

Each year at this time, I try to address a Passover-related topic in detail. This year, it will not surprise you that I would like to help us better understand the role that plagues play in the plan of God, especially during Passover.

## The Ten Passover Plagues

The recitation of the ten plagues is a central part of the Passover Seder and one of the most memorable moments during the Seder for Jewish children. Traditionally, we dip our little finger or a spoon into a glass of red wine and put the drop of liquid onto our plates while loudly reciting the name of each plague. **We call out the plagues in English**

**and Hebrew: blood (*dam*), frogs (*ts'fardei'a*), vermin (*kinim*), flies (*arov*), pestilence (*dever*), boils, (*sh'chin*), hail (*barad*), locusts (*arbe*), darkness (*choshech*), and death of the firstborn (*makat bechorot*).<sup>1</sup>**

The recitation of the plagues is not an isolated moment in the Seder. It is part of the overall recounting of the story of God's deliverance of the Jewish people from Egyptian bondage. There are two reasons why we drop the wine on our plates. One reason is that it more dramatically portrays the plagues as judgments falling upon the Egyptian slavemasters. The other is because Jewish tradition tells us to reduce our joy (symbolized by the sweet wine) by one drop for each plague that fell upon the Egyptians.

The lesson here is clear: even though the Egyptians enslaved us, we recognize they are fellow human beings and God's creation. Therefore, our rabbis teach us we should not rejoice in their judgment but rather remember God's love for all peoples and nations.

We will now look briefly at the three primary purposes for the plagues. First, God uses plagues to bring judgment upon the ungodly. Through the plagues, He also reveals His power and character. Lastly, they fulfill prophetic events.

## Judgment

The great German theologians and early twentieth-century biblical scholars Carl Friedrich Keil and Franz Delitzsch coined the term "penal miracles" in their well-read commentary on the Hebrew Scriptures.<sup>2</sup> In other words, there were plagues, or miracles, that also served as judgments and punishments upon the disobedient.

Each plague brought judgment upon the Egyptians, who were otherwise unwilling to allow the Jewish people to leave Egypt and worship the one true God. This chastisement is an excellent reminder that God is loving but also righteous and holy and takes offense at human sin. At times, He brings about temporal judgment upon humanity. He did so with the flood, the plagues, and even the captivity of the Jewish people by pagan nations.

## Revelation

Jewish people understand that God brought the plagues upon the Egyptians as divine judgments designed to move

both the Egyptians and Jewish people into action. Biblical plagues are purposeful. While they bring terrible consequences upon the disobedient and rebellious, God often mysteriously uses them for purposes beyond punishment.

Take note of Uzziah, Naaman, and even Miriam, Moses' sister. God struck each of them with leprosy to accomplish His divine purposes. Like the healing of the blind man in John chapter nine, plagues fell upon individuals for the glory of God and the good of mankind. *"Jesus answered, 'It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; but it was so that the works of God might be displayed in him'"* (John 9:3).

God used the plagues to judge the Egyptians and reveal His power, holiness, and presence in human history. Still, God's will and works are always for repentance and a turning away from sin to the one true God.

Exodus 7:1-7 shows Moses speaking of plagues as signs and wonders. Throughout the Scriptures, signs and wonders usually describe the miraculous, but in Exodus 7, the words are interchangeable with the word for judgment:

*Then the Lord said to Moses, "See, I make you as God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron shall be your prophet. You shall speak all that I command you, and your brother Aaron shall speak to Pharaoh that he let the sons of Israel go out of his land. But I will harden Pharaoh's heart that I may multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt. When Pharaoh does not listen to you, then I will lay My hand on Egypt and bring out My hosts, My people the sons of Israel, from the land of Egypt by great judgments. The Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch out My hand on Egypt and bring out the sons of Israel from their midst." So Moses and Aaron did it; as the Lord commanded them, thus they did. Moses was eighty years old and Aaron eighty-three, when they spoke to Pharaoh. (Exod 7:1-7, emphasis added)*

## Fulfillment of Prophecy

God sometimes uses plagues to fulfill prophecy, as when He promised to deliver the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and return them to the land of promise. *"The Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch out My hand on Egypt and bring out the sons of Israel from their midst"* (Exodus 7:5, emphasis added).

Ezekiel 36:23 parallels Exodus 7:5 and refers to another day of deliverance and restoration for Israel and the Jewish people: *"I will vindicate the holiness of My great name which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst. Then the nations will know that I am the Lord," declares the Lord God, 'when I prove Myself holy among you in their sight'"* (Ezek 36:23).

Both passages show that one of God's great purposes in bringing the Jewish people out of captivity and back to the land of promise was for them to be a sign to the nations testifying that the God of Israel is true and all-powerful. In effect, the Jewish people's deliverance through the ten plagues and their return to the land of Israel reveals the prophetic fulfillment of the Abrahamic Covenant found in Genesis 12:1-3. Moses predicted this result in chapter six of the book of Exodus:

*Say, therefore, to the sons of Israel, "I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from their bondage. I will also redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. Then I will take you for My people, and I will be your God; and you shall know that I am the Lord your God, who brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will bring you to the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and I will give it to you for a possession; I am the Lord." (Exodus 6:6-8)*

We must view the exodus, including the plagues, as one means by which God fulfilled His promises to Israel and, as we later see in the book of Revelation, His future judgment upon mankind.

## Where Does the Pandemic Fit in God's Plan?

It would be appropriate at this moment to compare COVID-19 to the plagues and try to understand where this pandemic might fit in with the purposes of God. I am not suggesting that God directly imposed COVID-19. There have been many terrible plagues throughout history that have devastated humanity. Although the coronavirus was exceptionally destructive, we have no reason to believe that the spread of this virus is the result of God's direct judgment.

We must tether our understanding of the divine purpose of plagues, world wars, and the greatest tragedies of human history

# God's Purposes for Plagues and Pandemics

to Scripture. But, of course, the Bible does not speak about the coronavirus, the Black Plague, or the Spanish Flu. Therefore, the adage, "Where the Bible is silent, so am I," is appropriate here. We must avoid conjecture and not speak for God before He has spoken to us.

On the other hand, we cannot deny that God used plagues as judgments and will do so again in the future. COVID-19 has awakened us to the possibility that plagues, along with other signs, will take place in the end times before the second coming of the Messiah. This view of plagues is also traditional Jewish teaching. Bible-believing Christians, Messianic Jews, and religious Jewish people would agree that "pestilence" or plagues are signs of the coming of the Messiah and will take place in the "last days." The Messiah Himself declared this to be true during the Olivet Discourse (Luke 21:10–11): "Then He continued by saying to them, 'Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be great earthquakes, and in various places plagues and famines; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven.'"

Hopefully, one day, we will look back and see the good our heavenly Father accomplished through this global trial. We pray that somehow blessings will come for all through this time of pain and suffering (Romans 8:28). We also pray that we will remember in the light the lessons we learned in the darkness. Perhaps these lessons will even prepare us in some way for the future.

Let us pray the Lord will use the experiences and losses of the last few years to shape our character, reorder our priorities, and draw us closer to Him. May the pandemic remind us all that the Lord is coming soon and that we need to prepare. And what better way to get ready for His return than to continue doing what He told us to do by *committing ourselves to evangelism, discipleship, and training a new generation of disciples until He returns!* (Matthew 28:19–20).

Stay faithful, vigilant, and filled with His Spirit. The Lord is coming soon—Maranatha!

Your brother,



Mitch

There are purposes for plagues and pandemics, and the coronavirus pandemic is no exception. Though we stop short at claiming God sent the disease, the apostle Paul once told the congregation in Rome, "God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God" (Rom 8:28). COVID-19 has been used to open the hearts and minds of Jewish people to the Messiah!

One of our missionaries writes:

*Before the Jewish high holy days in 2020, God placed on my heart a unique venue for sharing Him with many Jewish non-believers. This vision grew into Feasting, a Jewish cooking show based on Leviticus 23. The first episode aired via YouTube in September 2020. God provided a professional film crew, and we filmed seven episodes highlighting individual Jewish feasts. Each included a food demonstration, a short Bible study, testimonies, and music. After viewing the Sabbath segment, a Jewish non-believer contacted me: "I watched you share your story," she blurted out. "I'm from the Bronx too." A friendship began! An excited believer offered her heartfelt thanks after viewing the first four episodes. She said, "I have a close Jewish friend. Feasting has been so beneficial in knowing how to speak with Jewish people."*

*As we spread the word that we needed cooks for upcoming Feasting videos, a kosher chef working under the supervision of an ultra-Orthodox rabbi contacted me. Another kosher cook working with the Hasidic community expressed interest. Both knew of my belief in Jesus. A friendly relationship developed with the management of a popular Jewish delicatessen. They have offered to assist with food demonstrations and display advertisements for our celebrations surrounding the Jewish feasts. It was then God's time for me to meet an Israeli Jewish woman. Simcha\* was our cook for the episode on the Feast of Weeks (Shavuot or Pentecost). We bonded during the filming—and beyond! Following our time together on Feasting, when antisemitic individuals physically attacked Jewish people in the streets across our country, I asked Simcha if a couple of us could pray for her and her family. She shared that she was touched and warmly welcomed us into her home to visit and pray!*

1 Harold A. Sevener, ed., *Messianic Passover Haggadah* (New York, N.Y.: Chosen People Ministries, Inc., 2000), 18–19.

2 C. F. Keil and Franz Delitzsch, *Commentary on the Old Testament* (Peabody, Mass.: Hendrickson Pub, 2006), 295.

*In March 2021, our Passover Seder was filmed and went global. An Arizona Jewish woman received the link for the Seder from two friends. She shared that she was fascinated and learned much: “When Cathy spoke of Jesus, it was over-the-top. Jesus tied up many loose ends for me.” Miriam,\* her two friends, and I met for tea. I asked what in the Seder impacted her most. Her response: “Jesus!” Miriam and I are meeting regularly.*

*What of the film crew? The first episode excited the audio/filming expert. “Why are you connecting the Hebrew Scriptures with Jesus?” he asked. His questions continued throughout the filming of each episode. He is now attending an evangelical church and participating in their worship band!*

A staff member with Chosen People Ministries—Israel also told us:

*The pandemic caused many challenges in life and ministry for everyone. In Israel, many restrictions limited what we could do. We had to be creative in doing activities online or outside. Our team hosted events on Zoom, picnics, outdoor day trips and gatherings, young adult hikes, and worship under the stars. People brought friends who did not know Jesus, and many great spiritual conversations took place. We also created and are currently developing a new website for Israeli seekers that addresses life’s difficult questions. Please pray this website leads many to connect with us and come to know Yeshua.*

*Over the past two years, our staff have not merely continued their ministry. They have also opened new opportunities for which we give thanks. During the first year of the pandemic, Israel experienced lockdowns most of the time with heavy restrictions. One law, for instance, barred people from going more than 100 meters (a couple of blocks) from one’s home. Through it all, however, God remained faithful. He created opportunities to reach people right in their homes. Allow me to share about Anat.\**

*Several years ago, I met Anat in India. She sought spiritual light and truth through meditation and a Buddhist/Hindu blend of eastern ideas. Israelis often travel the world for six to twelve months after completing their army service. There are specific hotspots where thousands of Israelis gather. Goa, India, is one of those places. Imagine a Jewish Israeli going to a foreign land to seek foreign gods. She even asked me who my guru was. Wow! What an opening. I shared about the only true teacher, the only true mediator and connection to God, the true Messiah and God of Israel—Jesus. If one is searching for light, why not go straight to the Light of the world?! We often spoke in India, and when*

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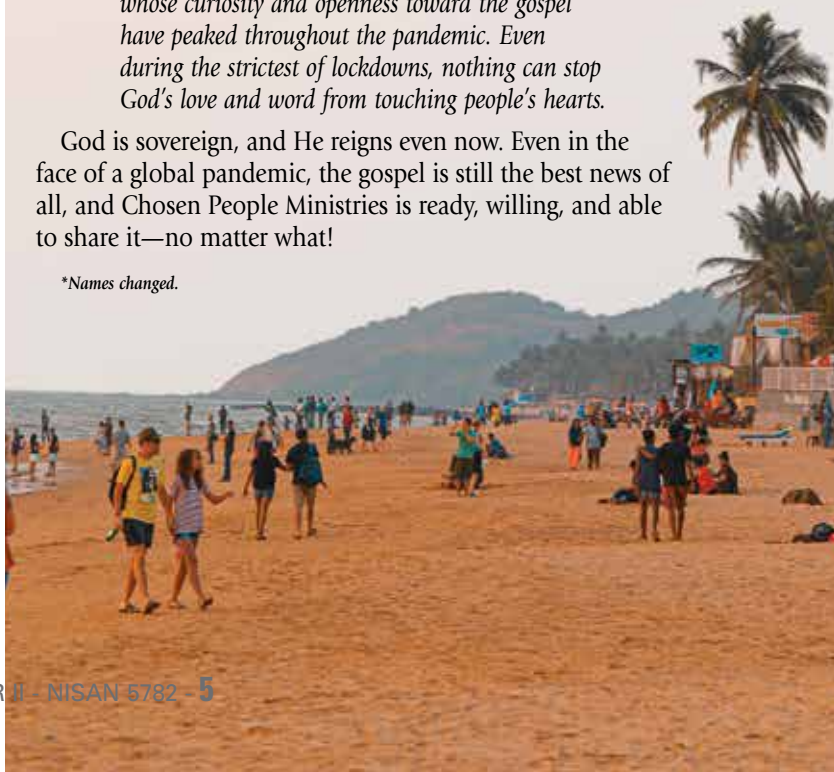
*we both returned to Israel, I would follow up with her frequently. While she was always interested, she never had much time as she was busy with work, school, and social life. During the first lockdown, we started having regular Zoom meetings. Now—because of the pandemic—she had plenty of time and decided to spend it pursuing truth again.*

*We went through the Hebrew Scriptures together, and she asked many questions. She soon came to embrace the Bible as historical and truthful. Then, she fell in love with a God who loves His people and came to know Jesus—the Way, the Truth, and the Life—as her Messiah. Anat continues to meet with me and another young adult, Miri,\* whom I also met on a post-army backpacking trip. She, too, came to faith during lockdowns via our studies on Zoom! Both women are back at work and university now, but they always make time to meet, study the Bible, and pray.*

*Moreover, they are excited about growing in their faith and sharing Jesus with their friends and families. There have been so many young adults whose curiosity and openness toward the gospel have peaked throughout the pandemic. Even during the strictest of lockdowns, nothing can stop God’s love and word from touching people’s hearts.*

God is sovereign, and He reigns even now. Even in the face of a global pandemic, the gospel is still the best news of all, and Chosen People Ministries is ready, willing, and able to share it—no matter what!

*\*Names changed.*



Spring is finally in the air and people are starting to live their lives outside again—This is great news for public space evangelism.



**SIMON LISSAK**

Moishe was sitting on a porch in the sunshine when I met him. I greeted him and asked him how he was. A simple question that led to a long discussion about how to know God personally! When I told him that you can only really know God

through Jesus the Messiah he laughed and said “A man could never become God and God could never become a man.” Really?...This sparked further discussion about Adam and Eve and how they knew God and then how Moses related to God face to face (Deut 34:10). He was enjoying the conversation but had to go. He offered me his number so we could talk again. Please pray that next time we speak he will be open to reading the Bible with me.

“Oh how I wish that Mohammed\* was Jewish!”—This came from a young man who comes from a Muslim background. He works in shop in Golders Green that has mostly Jewish customers. I have said ‘hello’ many times as I pass the shop but this time I asked him if he thought about spiritual things? To my delight he said “Yes, it’s my favourite subject!” We talked about God and the differences between the Abrahamic faiths whilst he was serving customers. He is very open, so please pray for the relationship to grow and that he would be willing to meet and read the Gospel of Mark with me. I have met two other Muslim men like this recently and, I am excited by the possibility of them coming to faith in Jesus as their Messiah. Muslim men who get saved often have a real desire to share the Gospel with Jewish people who they see all over the pages of their new Bibles and think it natural to evangelism to them!

Lastly, I want to tell you about a group of different Jewish people that I have met recently and who are all suffering from various mental health challenges. We are sometimes accused of targeting the “weak and the vulnerable” and yet these are the very people that Jesus seemed to make a beeline for whenever he was in public spaces. Jacob\* suffers with a combination of challenges that seem to encompass tourettes, depression and epilepsy. Mel\* is a secular Jew with severe diabetes that has cost him some toes and the sight in one eye, and Sarah\* has found herself homeless and struggles with addiction. I met all these people on the streets of North London. They all needed someone to listen to them and love them and I was able to do that because of your support. So, thank you. Please pray that these people who have found themselves on the margins of society would find their true identity and value in their Messiah Jesus.

In His wonderful name,

\*Names Changed

Recently I spent some time in Manchester prayer walking and engaging the Orthodox. Whilst exploring the neighbourhoods, some highly decorated for Purim, I gave out leaflets pointing people to the website **I Found Shalom**. In the evening, as I walked down one of the main streets, the windows of the synagogues were open and the carnival experience of Purim could be heard everywhere—what a joyful atmosphere! As the scroll of Esther was being read, the Jewish people were recalling the miracle of how they are still alive, even today!



**OLIVER SIMS**

I was also able to be part of a small team to visit various homes giving out Purim gifts. We had prepared some keepsakes, beautifully embroidered with a ‘Happy Purim’ design. We prayerfully gave them to home owners, people in a Jewish bakery, a kosher butcher, and even to some dog walkers! The message was simple: “We have a gift for you. We are Christians who love the Jewish people, and we just want to give a gift to wish you well and a Happy Purim.” This led to a friendly exchange and many conversations. They knew we were believers, and this was a good opportunity to be a blessing. In fact, one lady was nearly in tears with gratitude at her door. She mentioned that this was a very appropriate gift as she was going through a troubling time. Please do pray for her. Later on, I met an Orthodox gentleman in Morrisons; We talked about the Torah, Purim, the plums in his trolley, and he also got a gift! Please pray that those spoken to would be touched with the message of kindness in a time when there is much fear in the Jewish community.

As part of my studies with the Feinberg Programme, I am now enrolled in a New Testament survey module, and I also continue on with Biblical Hebrew. Studying Isaiah 53, I can see how this chapter has caused many a Jewish person to cry “what’s Jesus doing in my Bible!” And it has given me an idea: This week, I have been engaging people in spiritual conversations about the text: “May I ask you a spiritual question—has your Rabbi ever explained this passage to you?”, “Have you ever read it?”, “Who is it speaking about?” I trust the Lord will open the hearts and minds of the people. Let’s pray that they truly encounter Messiah Jesus, the ultimate Passover lamb.

Concerning church meetings, I have some *Messiah in the Passover* meetings in Leeds, one in Harrogate and a seminar in the Gateshead area. Please can you pray for the following things in your prayers:

- For opportunities for a summer outreach on the Manchester University Campus.
- For up coming exams in my university studies.
- Our daughter Zoe has her GCSE’s and is preparing for them now.

Thank you so much for your prayers.

Blessings, Oliver

## REFUGEE RREPORT

I have been here in Berlin at Beit Sar Shalom for three weeks helping with the Ukrainian refugee crisis. Chosen People Ministries Israel staff sent two teams to help in Berlin. We sent them to the railway station to minister to the refugees as they passed through Berlin’s main railway station. We had the ability to reach so many with the Good News of Salvation. And we pray with, and for, as many people as we can. So that every emergency becomes an opportunity, our opportunity to bear witness to the Saviour and be Light in the darkness, to be God’s loving arms to embrace the broken. And as a result, we saw a number welcome the Saviour into their lives.

The story of my meeting a lovely older Jewish man shows how we are all part of something bigger. His biggest concern was how to get his sister out of Ukraine. Through contacts in Moldova, I found a Russian speaking pastor near the border in Romania. He agreed to meet her and help her catch the train to Bucharest. There his contacts helped her get tickets to Berlin, via Budapest and Munich. Part of the journey isn’t free—but the brothers and sisters in Bucharest paid for their tickets. In Munich, she was met by my contacts and helped to continue her journey. To bring her grandchild to safety, we thought she must leave behind her husband. This is the heartbreak that faces many families in their desire to protect the children from the trauma of the war. The horror of the shelling and the destruction makes any sacrifice worth it. But in this case, PRAISE THE LORD, at the last minute, she was able to bring her grandchild too. They left on Thursday and after four day journey this family was reunited here in Berlin. The young man in the flat above where I put the brother offered to take his sister, her husband and grandchild into his flat so they would be in the same building! A few days later we sent them to Grossenhain where a church helped them settle and get a flat.

Recently, I brought a mother and daughter to the flat where I am staying and once again we saw God’s hand at work. Luda one of the team from Israel shouted “I know her—we met in Israel last year!” This dear woman who had left her husband and brother in Kyiv and experienced Russian shelling on a daily basis was comforted knowing that she had not been brought here by chance but under the guiding hand of God to be met and greeted by a friend.

These are the stories of many of the people fleeing the conflict in Ukraine. As you can see it takes people in a number of countries to make this possible. It’s a great honour to be a link in the chain to help people. As you pray and as you give to support this work...you too become a link in God’s chain to minister blessing to those fleeing the war. Each link has the opportunity to pray, donate, or even become a host. We are seeking to help believers in the UK make connections with believers from the Ukraine who need a home in the UK.

With every blessing,



**FIONA SORBALA**

## WORKING NONSTOP ON THE FRONTLINE OF UKRAINE TO HELP REFUGEES



One of our Ukrainian-born Jewish missionaries has been working twenty hours a day helping people in Ukraine since the invasion of Russia. You may be not aware, but there were about 15,000 Israelis living in Ukraine before the invasion began. When the sky over Ukraine closed due to the war, it became extremely difficult to evacuate people. They had to stand in line in terrible icy conditions for thirty, forty, or even as many as fifty hours just to cross the border, often with small children in their arms. Millions of Ukrainians have become refugees. In cooperation with Christians in Poland, our missionary was able to evacuate more than one hundred people in the first week of the war. At the same time, he has been in constant connection with The Jewish Agency, who has given him the names and locations of people in need of help. We are assisting them to find lodging in Lviv in western Ukraine. Local churches are partnering with our team there as well. In just the first couple of days, these churches provided places to stay for seventy people. Our staff member receives daily phone calls from Germany, Poland, Slovakia, and West Ukraine—everyday people are ready to provide food, finances, transportation, and legal assistance. He has never seen such unity among Christians of all denominations helping both Jews and Gentiles to escape the atrocities of the war.

- » Please!!! Pray for the end of this war.
- » Pray for the refugees!
- » Pray for us to have strength to help people.
- » Pray for peace in Ukraine and Jerusalem.

## FIRST-TIME ORTHODOX JEWISH CAMPERS AT OUR MESSIANIC KID'S CAMP!

We all know camp is unique and special every year. This year, that special uniqueness came in the form of two of the sweetest, coolest, but not-yet-believing Orthodox Jewish kids! This camp was the first time that these young campers had ever studied the words of Jesus with believers. They kept commenting on how Jewish the words of Jesus are. It is a

huge step in the right direction! They also heard some compelling messages from the speakers on one's desperate need for Messiah even if you are rich, young, and powerful in the eyes of this world, especially on social media. Jesus' message resonated with them, spoke to their souls, and challenged them to consider the truth of the gospel. One message also inspired a forty-minute follow-up conversation on salvation between one of the kids and a counselor. Yet another counselor had the opportunity to speak with the other kid who ended up saying, "I have a lot to think about." All the counsellors and directors, many of whom are missionaries with Chosen People Ministries, were so proud to see our own Messianic kids warmly welcoming these two campers, initiating conversations, playing with them, and honestly, just treating them like any other camper!

## REACHING JEWISH TRAVELLERS AND BELIEVERS IN JAPAN

In recent years, God has placed a vision in the heart of one of our staff to establish a branch of our mission in Japan. Today, there is a Jewish community in Japan that numbers a few thousand. Most of them are Israelis or Jewish people from Russia or the United States who are working or studying in Japan. There are also three active Chabad Orthodox houses there. Two of them are active synagogues. Over a period of several years, our missionary has laboured to realize this vision of extending Chosen People Ministries' reach to Japan. Just a few days ago, our missionary held the first team meeting consisting of Japanese and Jewish believers to fulfill the vision of bringing the good news of Jesus the Messiah to the Japanese Jewish community. Please keep this new team and their goals in your prayers. Pray that God will not only bring the gospel to Jewish people in Japan, but that our team connects with churches in Japan to equip and enrich them with a deeper understanding of the Bible from a Jewish perspective.

## SOWING KINGDOM SEEDS IN A RUSSIAN-SPEAKING SUPPORT GROUP

For some time, one of our Russian-Jewish missionaries has been leading and sowing kingdom seeds in a Russian-speaking support group for parents whose children are drug-dependent. Many of these parents are Jewish. Recently, the addicts have begun to attend the sessions with their parents! Praise the Lord! As you can imagine, this is a special and major leap forward in their rehabilitation. It is so rewarding to see how Yeshua the Messiah is breaking down strongholds and bringing immense change into people's lives as our staff member is faithfully cultivating the Lord's harvest. What a mighty witness to the name of Yeshua. Additionally, our missionary was given her own program on a secular Russian-American television show, where she recently had the opportunity to speak openly about the Messiah. People call after each program desperate for a word of encouragement or good news. Pray that these programs can continue!

JOIN US ON A TUESDAY EVENING AT 7PM FOR  
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