

Dear Friends,

As the New Year is upon us, we are sure that "new beginnings" is on many of your hearts. The future is always full of hope when we have our faith in God.

The present is sometimes hard to look at due to today's circumstances. The world around us here in Israel is enduring troubled times. While we are safe, we know that again, by God's promises we are in His care and protection. However, we are aware that **"the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but they are mighty in pulling down strongholds."** (2 Corinthians 10:4)

As you read our prayer requests please join us in praying for God to work miracles in this country, in our congregation & our families.

Prayer subjects :

For Israel

- For the salvation of the lost sheep of the 'House of Israel'
- For the protection of Israel as the Palestinian Authority is trying to gather friends to go against the US decision to acknowledge Jerusalem as the capital of Israel (EU and the rest of the Arab states).
- For the protection of Israel from Iran and Syria's desire to annihilate Israel and the US. That God would expose the corruption in Iran and allow her people to go free.
- For the protection of our government and soldiers against any insurgence.
- For the Arab people, that they would see the light of truth, Yeshua as their Lord.



For the Congregation

- For the raising up of youth leaders for our youth group.
- For the raising up of elders & pastors to feed and care for the flock.
- For our ministry among the single mothers, orphans, the poor and the needy.
- For the growth and protection of our young generation.
- For our members who are sick with cancer
- For wisdom and direction from God for the leaders for the coming year.
- For the discipleship of the new believers.

Betzel-El

Every newsletter, we highlight a testimony of God's amazing love and miracles, this month its Betzel-El, our Creativity and Healing Center, directed by our staff member Karin.

Earlier this year, a young man with motor skills problems was invited to Betzel El. When he began to paint, he was reluctant due to his infirmity. But as time went on, he could not stop painting. Three days later, he shared in his testimony : *"I already missed painting like my own child. The tree I have painted is me. The white color around the tree is God's presence. The colors on the tree are feelings, which do not always give room or even at times disturb the Holy Spirit. But where I opened myself to God, He helps me and loosens the feelings that are stuck."*



God, in so many ways touches the heart of the people who come to Betzel-El either for an open creative time or for personal counseling. Please pray with us for the funds needed to continue this important ministry.



"The people who walk in darkness will see a great light" (Isaiah 9:2)
This sign was hung on our building during Hanukkah season.

Kfar Saba is a city of 120,000 people located 2 miles away from Samaria. Surrounded by Arab and Jewish cities of another 200,000 people. If you walk through the malls, streets or parks, you will see all walks of life enjoying our city. As our congregation is located in front of a large park, during every holiday, we use the opportunity to share Yeshua via a big sign that we hang on our building and can be seen from the park.

Purim (the Book of Esther), is celebrated February 28-March 2. Jews around the world remember the miracle that took place in modern day Iran, where Esther, (a Jewess by birth and the Queen of Persia) fasted and prayed for 3 days along with the rest of the Jewish nation. Like the nation did so many years ago, we will be fasting and praying again for the salvation and security of our modern day Israel and her people. How interesting that again, Iran is trying to annihilate Israel. Please join us in prayer during the 3 days prior to Purim.



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Your prayers and love through the years have greatly encouraged us. We know that God has placed a call on our lives here. Thank you for joining us by your prayers and your support, in seeing the salvation of Israel.

Hamaayan Team