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Christians for Israel (C4I) is a **non-denominational** movement.

We believe that Christians of all denominations and backgrounds should be **united in their love for the Jewish people**, their support for the nation of Israel and their collective repentance because of Jewish suffering throughout Church history.

Our mission is to bring **Biblical understanding** in the Church concerning God's purposes for Israel and to promote comfort of Israel through **prayer and action**.



We believe that the Bible is **the inspired Word of God**, through which He reveals His loving purposes for all creation. God chose the nation of Israel as His instrument for the blessing of all the nations. The Bible teaches us that the Church has not replaced Israel. God's covenants with the nation of Israel are everlasting.



We support **Aliyah** (immigration to Israel) from many countries in the world, including former Soviet Union, India, Ethiopia and France. Christians for Israel has helped **150,000** people to build a future in Israel.



We comfort the people of Israel from **all populations in Israeli society**: Jews, Druze, Christians and Arabs. We do this by feeding the poor, helping Holocaust survivors, educating children, supporting Jewish communities in Judea and Samaria, and supporting and encouraging Arab Christians in Israel.



We help and encourage Christians to **pray for Israel** and the **peace of Jerusalem**, by sending prayer letters and organizing prayer meetings.



Christians for Israel brings numerous groups to Israel and wants people to experience **the true heart of Israel**, by meeting the Israeli people as well as visiting interesting sites. Through our tours, we want to **encourage the people of Israel**.



Christians for Israel supports the State of Israel and the Jewish people, by **opposing disinformation, anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism, and fighting the boycott of Israeli products**. We do this by providing accurate information regarding Biblical, legal and historical issues to Christian leaders and media channels.

Introduction

Dr. Leon Meijer



It is strange, but we got used to it during the last decade: Israel under rocket attacks from Gaza on a regular basis, and governments worldwide expecting Israel to show restraint, and refrain from retaliation. By doing so, these governments were sending a message to militants in Gaza, that the world does not care if you try to kill Jews.

No country in the world would accept rockets being fired indiscriminately at its population, at children, parents, and old people. These Gazan rockets, however, only appeared in the headlines of the mainstream media-outlets if Israel retaliated. Then it was newsworthy, with headlines like 'Israeli fighter jets attacked Gaza'. Context was omitted and the number of casualties never verified.

Billions of dollars

And while Qatar and the Western world were pumping billions of dollars into Gaza, no one seemed to wonder how much money a population of two million people can absorb. We now know that they really needed that money. To purchase concrete to build a vast infrastructure of tunnels, more extensive than the London Underground. To buy iron pipes to fabricate rockets, to buy extra food,

water and medicine, not for the ordinary Gazans, but for Hamas, to store it for the days of war they had planned.

Massacre

And while Israeli communities around Gaza were awakening to a new day celebrating Simchat Torah, thousands of Hamas and Islamic Jihad terrorists broke through the fence into the Israeli communities, under the cover of thousands of rockets. October 7, 2023, unfolded into a massacre of unknow cruelty and proportion. Israel and the world at large were shocked and left with questions. How could Israeli intelligence have missed the preparation for such an attack and why did it take so long for the IDF to gain control of the communities again?

After the brutal attack Israel could count on the sympathy of world leaders and people around the globe for only a few days. However, very soon it was back to assualting Israel again, and even more strongly than before. Antisemitism in the Western world has surged rapidly, leaving Jews fearful of identifying themselves as such. Demonstrators in civilized Western democracies, on squares and universities cried out for the destruction of Israel in support of Hamas.

Queen Esther

In 2023, Christians for Israel International continued to inform Christians about God's plan for Israel. We brought comfort to Israel and Jewish people in countries like Ukraine, and helped them financially to return to the land of their forefathers. And we kept praying. After October 7, we found ourselves in a world that is more hostile to our message than ever before. At the same time, this world needs to understand God's love for His people more than ever before.

In this annual report you will see how our work has unfolded in 2023. After October 7, we are even more convinced that we are called to stand with our older brother Israel, - for a time like this – just as Queen Esther when someone stood up to harm the people of Israel.

Am Israel Chai The people of Israel live!

Rev. Willem J.J. Glashouwer
President

Rev. Cornelis Kant
Executive Director

Dr. Leon Meijer
Chairman



Countries in which
Christians for Israel
has Affiliates and
Representatives

We have partners in:

Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, French Guyana, Guatemala, Ivory Coast, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Russia, Rwanda, South Africa, Suriname and Uruguay.



Israel 75 years

In May 2023, the State of Israel celebrated its 75th anniversary. A true miracle and cause for celebration.

In the June 2023 edition of our newspaper *Israel & Christians Today*, Sondra Oster Baras (CFOIC) wrote the following: 'Israel is the greatest miracle of all time. Over 3,000 years ago, God promised that after a time of dispersion to the far corners of the earth, He would restore us to our precious Land of Israel, where we would prosper.'

Fulfilling this promise meant nurturing the Jewish people throughout the exile, ensuring they would remain a unique people. God kept His eye on

His people, kept His eye on His land and joined them together, granting them independence in 1948. An amazing miracle indeed! When Jews came back to the land during the late 19th century, the land was desolate. When the State was established, millions of new immigrants poured into the country with nothing but the clothes on their backs.

There was no housing, not enough food and very few jobs. But there was a dream and a drive and faith. Today, 75 years later, Israel is a high-tech giant, a diverse society, a robust democracy, and a nation constantly growing in faith. We still have so much to

accomplish, but Israel is truly a cause for celebration!

In many countries, representatives of Christians for Israel Affiliates were invited to join in celebrating Israel's anniversary, often also in the presence of Israeli ambassadors.



Austria



The Netherlands



Australia



Belgium



Germany



Fiji



Israel needs our support and comfort



Our primary mission is to bring Biblical understanding in the Church concerning God's purposes for Israel. It is also our mission to promote comfort of Israel through prayer and action. Since the October 7 massacre in Israel, comforting Israel is perhaps more necessary than ever before.

The world was shocked after the first reports of mass slaughter, rapes and kidnappings by Hamas and others from Gaza in Southern Israel. However, that shock lasted only a few days. Soon, sympathy went out to the residents of Gaza, while Israel's response, the ground war, had yet to begin. While writing this (July 2024), 115 Israelis are still held hostage in Gaza.

Declining solidarity

In many countries, the media coverage of Israel and the war in Gaza is strongly one-sided, or rather very negative about Israel. At the International Court of Justice, Israel has been indicted for alleged genocide. Apart from the Fiji Islands, hardly any country supported Israel. Israel increasingly stands alone as a country. While the tiny country is attacked from four sides by terrorist organizations and countries that want to destroy Israel, more and more governments are letting Israel down.

To our disappointment, many churches and church leaders are also increasingly speaking out critically about Israel. They often lack adequate information about the war, but above all, they lack a proper view of God's eternal covenant with Abraham and the land promise to the Jewish people. Church leaders are often inclined to conform to mainstream views in society regarding Israel and especially not to go against the tide. In doing so, Israel and the Jewish people increasingly become 'a people who dwells apart, and will not be reckoned among the nations' (Numbers 23:9).

Psalm 41

King David says: 'Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my

bread, has lifted up his heel against me' (verse 9). This refers to his son Absalom, who ate his father's bread but later turned against David. Prophetically, we can also think of Judas, who ate the bread of Jesus and then betrayed Him. Prophetically, we can draw this text even wider and apply it to many Christians. Jesus says: 'Here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever' (John 6:50-51).

He is referring to the manna that came down from heaven in the desert as bread to feed the people of Israel. He continues by saying that He is the true bread from heaven through which we can have eternal life. When we as Christians celebrate the Lord's Supper in our churches, we eat the bread of Jesus, 'the Body of Christ', but also the bread of Israel. After all, God had already promised to Abraham: 'And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed' (Genesis 12:3). So in Israel, and especially in the Messiah of Israel, we will be blessed.

There is a correlation between the manna in the desert, and the living bread that is Jesus Himself.

As Christians we eat the bread of Israel and we are their friends on whom Israel could rely. But can Israel still rely on its Christian friends today? All around us we see that many have lifted their heel against Israel. Friendship and trust have been violated. Thankfully, there are numerous Christians who continue to stand unwaveringly and faithfully with Israel in all its challenges and sufferings.

We will continue

As Christians for Israel, we will continue our mission to proclaim the Biblical message of God's eternal faithfulness to Israel. And by supporting and comforting Israel in prayer and action. I am happy to invite you to join us! By the way, Psalm 41 ends with these impressive words: 'my enemy does not shout in triumph over me. As for me, You uphold me in my integrity, and You set me in Your presence forever' (verse 11-12).

Rev. Cornelis Kant
Executive Director
Christians for Israel International

*'Comfort, comfort
My people,
says your God'
Isaiah 40:1*



Regional Development ——— Oceania/Pacific ———



SOLOMON ISLANDS

Lepani Makubuna, former Leader for Christians for Israel Fiji, has been a resident of the Solomon Islands since 2020 and is thus involved in Christians for Israel on the islands. He is a member of the Bible Way Centre Church (pictured). Lepani: 'During my three years with the church, we have incorporated Bible teachings concerning God's separate plans for the Israel and the Church.'

C4I newspapers are also sent to the Solomon Islands, including to Malaita Province. The feedback has been overwhelming and people there are demanding more newspapers and looking forward to Bible teachings on Israel.

FIJI

In January 2023, the team of C4I Fiji paid a visit to the Honourable **Prime Minister** of the Peoples Coalition Government of Fiji., Mr. Sitiveni Ligamamada Rabuka. He is a devout Christian, pro-Israel and still has many Jewish friends abroad and domestically.

C4I Fiji presented the PM with a few copies of the books *Why Israel?* *Why Jerusalem?* *Why End Times?* The team also relayed to the PM the message of the importance to comfort Israel.



AUSTRALIA

A special moment in Jerusalem in May 2023, as Ian Worby was present at the dedication of a new Rapid Response Vehicle for Magen David Adom. Supporters of C4I Australia had raised AUS \$ 40,000.

Ian Worby was also present at the Jerusalem Prayer Breakfast in Australia (photo upper left). In October 2023, Andrew Tucker (right) and Johannes Gerloff (2nd right) spoke at the Kingdom Festival at the Gold Coast.

NEW ZEALAND

In November 2023, Bryce Turner (C4I New Zealand) spent several weeks in Israel to serve the Jewish people in their despair and deep grief. He worked for Hineni, visited victims of October 7, and wrote challenging reports about the situation in Israel.

Together with Leon Meijer (Chairman C4I International), who was also in Israel to serve, he visited Sderot, also brutally attacked on October 7.





GERMANY

In 2023, Christians for Israel Germany celebrated its 25th anniversary during a two-day conference in Southern Germany. Main speaker was historian Michael Wolffsohn (left photo on the left). Representatives of Jewish and Christian organizations also addressed the audience.

The President of the State of Israel, Isaac Herzog, expressed his gratitude to C4I Germany in a video message. During the conference long-time C4I Germany chairman Harald Eckert was given a ceremonial farewell. Harald led the organisation for 15 years.



NORWAY

Rev. Cornelis Kant (2nd left) and Andrew Tucker (right) spoke at an 'Israel Conference' in Oslo.



Luca Hezel (left) presented Harald Eckert with a goodbye present



SWITZERLAND

Theodor Zingg (C4I Switzerland) spoke at a solidarity meeting in Bern.



ITALY

C4I Italy organized several speaking events in 2023. In May, Rev. Willem Glashouwer (left picture) spoke at a conference in Verona. In June, Israeli influencer Hananya Naftali spoke in Padova.



ALBANIA

Pellumb Ranxha, who leads the C4I work in Albania, was invited to speak about 'Biblical Actualities for Israel' on Familja 7, a Christian TV Network in Albania.



GREECE

In December 2023, Rev. Willem Glashouwer spoke at a conference in Athens.

Rev. Glashouwer and his wife (right) with Rev. Lekkas and his wife (left) and Marie-Louise Weissenböck (Regional Director C4I Europe)



Hans (left) and Marie-Louise Weissenböck (right) with Stanislaw Zaliewski



AUSTRIA

May 2023: C4I Austria was invited to an Act of Commemoration for Gusen (a concentration camp) in Vienna's Parliament together with the survivor Stanislaw Zaliewski (97), who had taken part in the first March of Life organized by C4I Austria (left picture).

September 2023: A Plaque for Theodor Herzl was unveiled by President Isaac Herzog in Vienna (right picture). C4I Austria was represented by its chairwoman.



Yochanan Zomer (ADI) handing out apples to the sportive bikers

NETHERLANDS

In March 2023, C4I Netherlands organized a speaking tour with Sondra Oster Baras (picture right) from CFOIC (Christian Friends of Israeli Communities).

In August, 'Tour de Adi' attracted dozens of sportive bikers, who raised money for the organisation ADI in Israel.



In 2023, we have seen a growing cooperation between Christians for Israel International and *thinc*, The Hague Initiative for International Cooperation.

thinc is a global network of international law academics, practitioners and experts in related disciplines. *thinc* challenges the misuse of international law to delegitimize the State of Israel and advocates international law for peace and security between Israel and his neighbors. Founder and director of *thinc* is Andrew Tucker.

'Israel on Trial'

In March 2023, Christians for Israel International and *thinc* organized an international conference in The Netherlands: *Israel on Trial*. The

conference featured the political and legal fight against Israel in the UN and other institutions. Keynote speaker was Hillel Neuer, Executive Director of UN Watch.

On other occasions, Andrew Tucker and Rev. Cornelis Kant were invited together to speak at conferences in different countries in Europe. While Rev. Kant spoke about Israel from a Biblical perspective, Andrew Tucker shared his insights from the international law perspective.

Livestreams

Andrew is also a regular guest in the livestreams of Christians for Israel International.



Keynote speaker Hillel Neuer (UN Watch)



Andrew during one of the C4I livestreams



Andrew Tucker (left) speaking at a conference in Norway.

Christians for Israel Forum

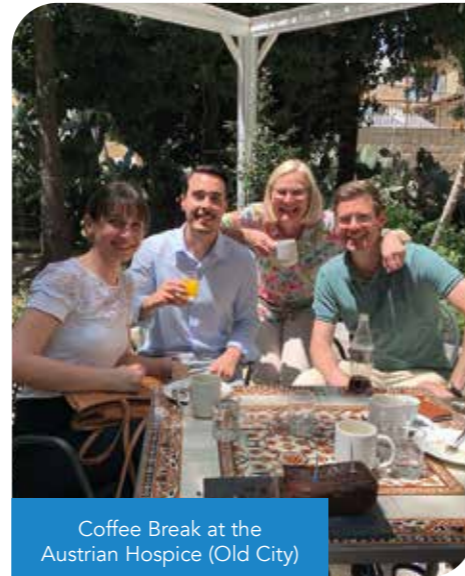
From 11-16 May 2023, eighty representatives of Christians for Israel International - coming from 22 different countries - gathered in Jerusalem for a 4-day Forum.

During the time together, we listened to speakers from various countries (including Israel), visited projects of Christians for Israel and met with their leaders, and explored Biblical sites. The 2023 Forum was a blessed time of encouragement for all participants. For some of them, it was their first visit to Israel. The opportunity to meet personally, learn from each other, pray and worship together creates the unique feeling of belonging to a global (C4I) family. Doing so in the land of Israel adds an important value.

Many of the people involved in the worldwide work of Christians for Israel International are volunteers. Spending time together strengthens our common mission to spread the Biblical message about Israel in our respective countries.



C4I Vietnam and Benjamin Philip at the Western Wall



Coffee Break at the Austrian Hospice (Old City)



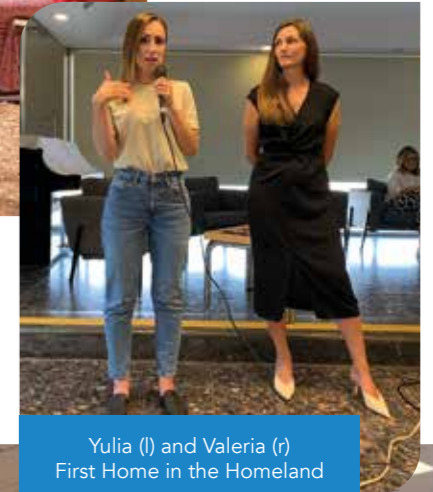
Bible Teaching on Mount of Olives by Rev. Willem J.J. Glashouwer



Bible Teaching at Shiloh by David Nekrutman



Elena Kovarsky retired as Director from First Home in the Homeland



Yulia (l) and Valeria (r) First Home in the Homeland



Visit to Kibbutz Revivim (First Home in the Homeland)

Christians for Israel Forum



Visit to Sde Boker



C4I Belgium



Rev. Cornelis Kant (r) with Benjamin Philip at the Western Wall



One of the many sessions



C4I Asia



Koen, Ira and Natalia (m) (C4I Ukraine) with C4I Fiji and C4I Solomon Islands

We are reaffirming our commitment to the State of Israel on Israel's 75th year. Inspired by the Declaration of Independence, we are committing to our core values, the very same values that led to the founding of the state of Israel:

1. We, Christians and Jews, will deepen our dedication to the Jewish state by connecting to each other and to Israel, strengthening unity among the Jewish people and its Christian friends.
2. We cherish the continued historic mission of *Aliyah* (immigration) of new *Olim* (immigrants) to Israel and of connecting them to Israeli society to prosper and develop the country's strength and future.
3. We admire the dedication of Israel's younger generations to building the future of Israel, together with world Jewry and Christian friends of Israel.
4. We will nurture the values of mutual responsibility and unity for the Jewish people and strengthen the bonds of friendship of Jews and Christians with Israel. We will do so by bringing our hearts together.

Placing our trust in the "Rock of Israel", we affix our signatures to this proclamation made in the Jewish Homeland, in the city of Jerusalem, on 14 May 2023.

Chairman of the Executive The Jewish Agency for Israel
 Director, Christians for Israel
 Honorary Consul The State of Israel

[Handwritten signatures and names including: Ben El-Mechaieq, Rev. Cornelis Kant, etc.]

THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR ISRAEL

On 14 May 1948, David Ben Gurion, then Chairman of The Jewish Agency, signed Israel's Declaration of Independence with 36 others. It was the beginning of the State of Israel.

Exactly 75 years later, on 14 May 2023, representatives from the 42 countries where Christians for Israel has a branch, met in The Jewish Agency building. There, together with Doron Almog, the current Chairman of The Jewish Agency, they signed a declaration expressing our commitment to the State of Israel.



Doron Almog, Chairman of The Jewish Agency addressing the C4I group





KENYA

In February 2023, Rev. Cornelis Kant and Rev. Frank Heikoop (chairman Christians for Israel Netherlands) spoke at a two-day conference for pastors of the Reformed Churches East Africa (RCEA). At least 155 pastors were present, some of them had traveled 700 kilometers by public transport to attend.

The conference was an initiative of Rev. Dr. Luka Ariko Ekitala, Secretary General of the RCEA. Plans for a strategic partnership between C4I International and RCEA have been made.



Rev. Cornelis Kant (r) presents Dr. Ekitala with a copy of the book *Why Israel?*



RWANDA

Members of the Bethany Sisters Congregation in Rwanda had been praying for years that the Biblical message about Israel would be taught and preached in the Presbyterian Church in Rwanda. As a result of their prayers, Rev. Kant was invited to speak at the annual gathering of the church in 2019.

This 'open door' also resulted in an 'Israel Conference' in 2023, where Rev. Cornelis Kant and Rev. Frank Heikoop were invited to speak. Rev. Dr. Pascal Bataringaya, president of the Eglise Presbyterienne Rwanda (EPR) hosted the conference, attended by over 130 pastors. Of course, Rev. Kant and Rev. Heikoop also visited the Bethany Sisters Congregation. Together, they opened the Bible for a three-hour Bible Study on Israel.



UGANDA

In January 2023, C4I Uganda organized their annual national Israel Conference. The Bible teachings were given by Jos van Westing, on behalf of Christians for Israel International.



USA

One of the main activities of C4I USA is the distribution of the newspaper *Israel & Christians Today*. The number of subscribers continued to grow in 2023.



From left to right: Rev. Stevanus Noordzee, Rev. Said Flores, Rev. Cornelis Kant and Rev. Kenneth Kross

SURINAME

In October 2023, Christians for Israel International and the Israel Committee Suriname organized three conferences: two in capital Parimaribo and one in Nickerie, in the western part of Suriname. In total, more than a thousand people attended the meetings. For most of them, the Biblical message about Israel was an eye opener and huge encouragement.

After the conferences, Rev. Kant and Rev. Kross were invited to meet with His Excellency Mr. Chan Santokhi, the president of Suriname.



Rev. Cornelis Kant presents His Excellency Mr. Santokhi with a menorah



THAILAND

In August 2023, Rev. Wilem Glashouwer traveled to Thailand to speak at a conference, organized by Kees Brouwer (2nd left). Several of Rev. Glashouwer's books have also been translated into Thai.



PHILIPPINES

In the Philippines, Dr. Conrado Lumahan held several seminars and prayer meetings for Israel throughout the country.



Wilson Ng (C4I Regional Director for Asia) sharing the message about Israel during his visit to Vietnam in 2023.



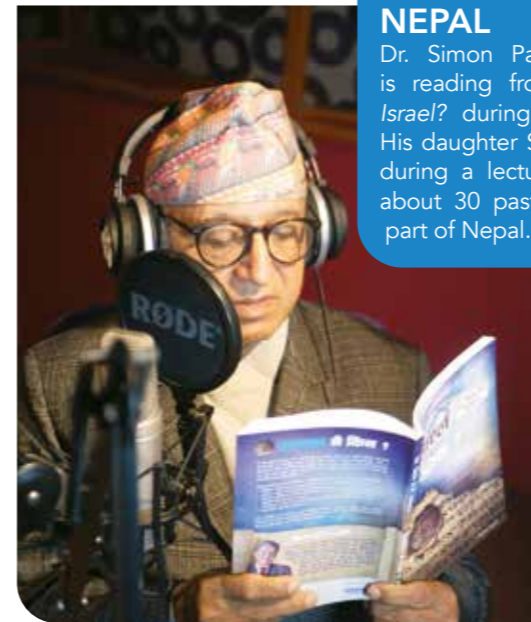
VIETNAM

The team in Vietnam has been very active in 2023. They have organized several prayer meetings and seminars, and also use WhatsApp groups to spread the message.



NEPAL

Dr. Simon Pandey (left picture) is reading from the book *Why Israel?* during a radio program. His daughter Shanti (right picture) during a lecture about Israel for about 30 pastors in the western part of Nepal.



Isreality

Isreality is the international community of young Christians and part of Christians for Israel International. Together, young people in several countries journey into the richness of the Bible and discover the connection between Christians and the Jewish people. Through activities, events and trips to Israel, young people thus deepen their understanding of God's purposes for Israel and their personal lives.



Netherlands

Excursion to former transit camp (WW II) Westerbork



Trip to Israel including voluntary work



Helping in Hineni's Humanitarian Restaurant



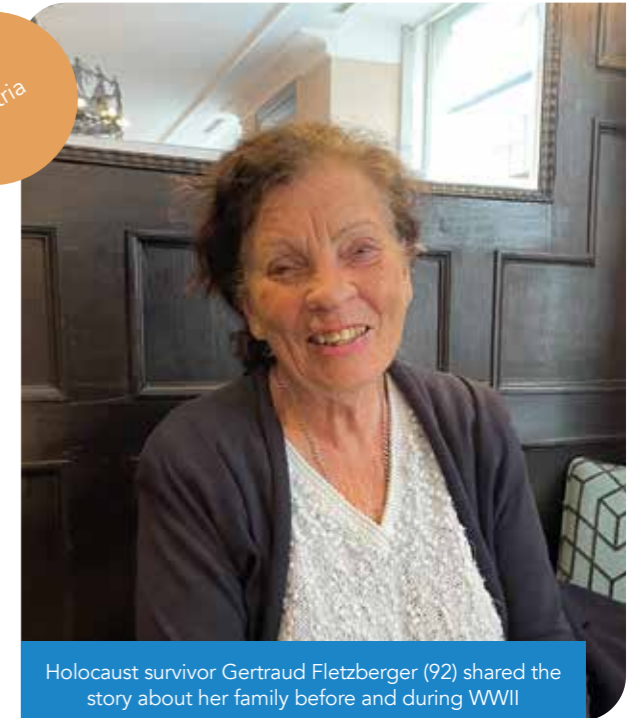
Germany

Summer Trip to Israel



Austria

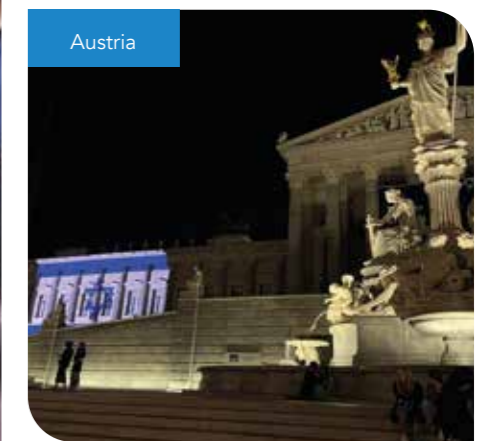
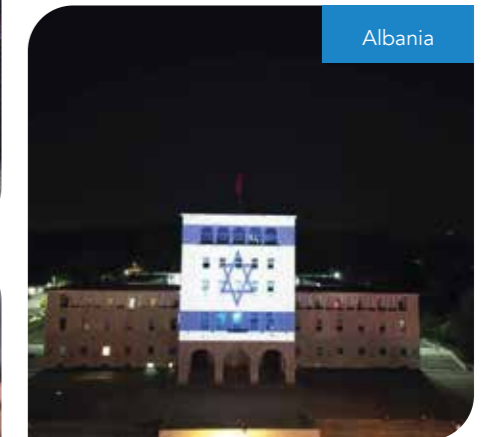
Tobias Krämer speaking at the kickoff event of Isreality in Austria. Theme: 'Jesus and Israel'



Holocaust survivor Gertraud Fletzberger (92) shared the story about her family before and during WWII

October 7

Following the murderous attack of Hamas on Israel on October 7 ('Black Shabbat'), Christians for Israel Affiliates around the world organized rallies in solidarity with Israel and the Jewish people.



Psalm 83



The Israeli President, Isaac Herzog, addressed the worldwide community on 9 October 2023, and said: 'Not since the Holocaust have so many Jews been murdered in one day.'

The cruelty, the brutality, the barbarity of monsters - not of humans - of monsters. And not since the Holocaust have we witnessed scenes of Jewish women and children, grandparents - even Holocaust survivors - being driven into trucks and abducted

as hostages. Hamas has adopted and embraced ISIS cruelty. Entering ordinary resident's homes on a holy Jewish Holiday (Simchat Torah), and cold bloodedly murdering entire families and relatives, young and old. Kicking, hitting, torturing, violating and burning bodies.'

Hatred Against Israel

Hatred against Israel is profoundly hatred against the God of Israel. Triumphantly you could hear a Muslim leader say: 'This is only the beginning.

But this battle will be waged worldwide. Jews and Christians: destroy and obliterate. The entire world will be submitted to Islam. The holy city of Islam, Jerusalem, Al-Quds, will be purified in the name of the prophet Muhammad.'

Psalm 83

How does the Jewish writer of Psalm 83 react on this? Does he beg the Most High to save his life and rescue him? No, not primarily. He says: 'Cover their faces with shame, LORD, so that they will seek Your name' (verse 16). 'Let them know that You, whose name is the LORD - that You alone are the Most High over all the earth' (verse 18).

This is his deepest motivation. That is his ultimate prayer. That they will look for and find the One and only true God. If not, then they will be lost forever.

Read Psalm 83 and pray for Israel with the words of this Psalm.

Rev. Willem J.J. Glashouwer
President Christians for Israel
International

Psalm 83

A SONG. A PSALM OF ASAPH.

O God, do not remain silent;
do not turn a deaf ear,
do not stand aloof, O God.
See how Your enemies growl,
how Your foes rear their heads.

With cunning they conspire against Your people;
they plot against those you cherish.
"Come," they say, "let us destroy them as a nation,
so that Israel's name is remembered no more."

With one mind they plot together;
they form an alliance against You -
the tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites,
of Moab and the Hagrites,
Byblos, Ammon and Amalek,
Philistia, with the people of Tyre.

Even Assyria has joined them
to reinforce Lot's descendants.

Do to them as You did to Midian,
as You did to Sisera and Jabin at the river Kishon,
who perished at Endor

and became like dung on the ground.
Make their nobles like Oreb and Zeeb,
all their princes like Zebah and Zalmunna,
who said, "Let us take possession
of the pasturelands of God."

Make them like tumbleweed, my God,
like chaff before the wind.

As fire consumes the forest
or a flame sets the mountains ablaze,
so pursue them with Your tempest
and terrify them with Your storm.
Cover their faces with shame, LORD,
so that they will seek Your name.

May they ever be ashamed and dismayed;
may they perish in disgrace.

Let them know that You, whose name is the LORD -
that You alone are the Most High over all the earth.

*With cunning
they conspire against
Your people.*

*Cover their faces
with shame, Lord,
so that they will seek
Your name.*

*Let them know that You,
whose name is the LORD -
that You alone are
the Most High
over all the earth.*

Emergency Campaign Israel

After October 7, thousands of Israelis had their lives upended. Families were torn apart, homes destroyed, their sense of security obliterated - with dire psychological, emotional, and financial consequence. As Christians for Israel, we wanted to bring comfort amidst the despair and thus established an Emergency Campaign for Israel.

Among the initiatives we have supported since October 7 are:

- The Jewish Agency: Victims of Terror Fund, safeguarding elderly and new immigrants.
- ZAKA: The Israeli organization that helps identify victims of disasters
- Jaffa Institute and Shalva Jerusalem: Providing shelter to refugees from southern Israel.
- Christian Friends of Israeli Communities (CFOIC): Extending assistance to families affected by the conflict.
- Jerusalem Foundation: Offering help to the elderly who cannot or dare not go out into the streets.
- ADI: Providing extra help for multiple disabled children.
- Bead Chaim: Offering additional support for pregnant women who are alone.
- Hineni humanitarian restaurant: Providing meals to those in need.
- Food aid for poor families and elderly: Ensuring that essential sustenance reaches those who need it most.



Evacuating olim from southern Israel

'Christians for Israel has supported victims of terror, lone soldiers, shelters for new olim (immigrants), food parcels and medicine for poor elderly and Holocaust survivors, and lifesaving equipment for communities in Israel, and renovating shelters. What an impact you have made in Israel, in its harshest hour.'

*Danielle Mor,
The Jewish Agency
for Israel*



Food packages for Amigour Residents



Emergency aid packages for evacuated families



Danielle Mor (left) (The Jewish Agency) visited numerous victims after October 7

Emergency Campaign Israel

Many longstanding partner organizations, including Hineni, The Jewish Agency for Israel, Keren Hayesod, and the Jaffa Institute, began relief efforts for the attack victims, which we supported. These efforts included not only evacuations but also direct assistance to those who had lost everything. Additionally, we helped construct new shelters and provided protection and security for villages and communities also affected by the ongoing conflict.

40 projects

The emergency relief efforts strained the regular programs of these organizations, as many staff members were drafted into the army and personnel were reassigned to handle the crisis in Israel. Besides food shortages arose because of the war. Despite these challenges, Christians for Israel was able to financially support over 40 projects, with donors contributing more than 3.6 million euros to the emergency campaign in 2023. Fundraising for

the emergency fund continues, as it is increasingly clear that significant funds are needed for rebuilding and ongoing relief efforts.

The war has impacted nearly every family and individual in Israel, instilling a pervasive fear about the safety of loved ones. This fear extends beyond immediate family members to neighbors and friends, reinforcing the sense of Israel as one large family struggling for survival amid hostility from surrounding nations.



Helping in all circumstances in Ukraine

Ever since the first nerve-racking weeks following the outbreak of war in Ukraine in February 2022, hope for peace remain unfulfilled. The war forced thousands to flee the country, seeking safety. Our team continued to do their important work and was sustained by your prayers. The situation has not improved in 2023. People have been displaced, prices are rising, and unemployment is enormous. In these conditions, the work of our C4I team continues.

Koen Carlier shares about the work of his team: 'Perhaps you could say that our work has not changed much after all these months of war. We continue to do what we always did: help people in need, provide them with food, and assist with transportation to the airport when people want to immigrate to Israel. Except now people don't leave from Ukraine but from Moldova. The most important thing we offer to people is hope. Hope for the future. The fact that we are able to help, comfort and listen is invaluable.'

Why do people leave Ukraine?

'Because of the war, there are no signs of improvement, and the end of the war is not yet in sight. Apartments are damaged, and will not be repaired for

the time being, so this also doesn't give people any hope. And relatives from Israel tell them: 'Come to Israel'.

For thousands of Jews, the war has accelerated their plans to go to Israel. Every week we drive to Kishenov, Moldova, two or three times to bring people to the Israeli consul for an interview, and shortly thereafter, they can depart for Israel. As a result of the mobilisation law, however, men between the ages of 18 and 60 are not allowed to leave. Therefore, many families wait and stay in Ukraine. When the mobilisation ends, we expect that at least a few thousand people will want to leave for Israel when they are



Koen (left) handing out food parcels in Zaporizhzhia

able to leave as a family.'

Koen, at the beginning of the war, you said, 'Your prayer is the fuel that allows us to do this work.' How do you feel about this today?

'This was relevant back then, and it's still true today. In times of need, you help those in need. We must not forget that this need was already there before the war. In 2014, Crimea was occupied, and the conflict started in the east of the country, in Lugansk and Donetsk. Then came Covid19, and now worse: a war in which the whole country is involved. We ask for God's protection and security. Of course, that is no guarantee. So we should not be careless about it. The Lord says: 'I will call the nations to bring My people home'. It does not say: 'I will call the nations when it is safe, when it is quiet when it is summertime.' In other words, it says: under all circumstances. We have always been spared, and we see it as grace, as His protection. Because basically, anything can happen.'

Surely you must encounter a lot of suffering when you meet and pick up people.

'You hear about what is happening on the news. And at the same time, you pick people up from apartments that have been destroyed. This really affects you as a person. You listen; you hear what happened. The stories about families, about sons who are

The C4I Team in Ukraine is often confronted with devastation and misery of war on their way to help the Jewish communities



no longer there, the misery. But being there, helping, being able to comfort and encourage, that really makes a difference. We say to the people: we don't understand everything either, but we know that the Almighty brings you home. This is true hope.'

Do you read the Bible differently than before the war?

'Most certainly! When I think of Zechariah 2, flee from the land of the north and save yourself to Zion. This is a warning to flee, but at the same time, there is a plan B after people flee: go to Zion. This is actually what I have been experiencing since 2014 when the conflict in eastern Ukraine broke out. The war forced many people to flee to Israel. Gradually,

the borders closed more since 2014.'

Could the situation get worse than it is now?

'Yes, you have to expect that to happen. Russia can't really go back; they started this. And if Ukraine would recapture territory, we have no idea how Russia will react. So we live from day to day.'

So what does that mean for the work you and the team do?

'Before the war, we were well prepared. And we still are. We have food supplies; we have fuel storage; we have a warehouse, a generator, shelters and enough minibuses. If something happens and there is a new flood of Jewish refugees, we can help them.'

Aliyah: Bring the Jews Home

We helped with the return of:

- 100 Jews from **France**
- 600 Jews from **India**
- 4,000 Jews from **Ukraine**
- 8,700 from other **former Soviet Union countries**.
- 1,000 Jews from **Ethiopia**

We helped with the integration process of 250 families through 'First Home in the Homeland' and contributed to various integration projects like Selah and Na'ale. There are also training programs for bus drivers and certification programs for doctors and nurses.



ALIYAH ETHIOPIA



ALIYAH UKRAINE



ALIYAH INDIA



Humanitarian Projects

'Comfort, comfort, My people, says Your God.' As Christians for Israel we seek to follow the Words from the Lord. Not out of pity, but out of connection and solidarity. We are grateful that we could do this in various ways in 2023.

HELP TO THE POOR

- 80,000 Meals through the **Hineni Soup Kitchen** in Jerusalem
- 4,800 Packages for the Jewish Holidays for **poor families**
- 30,000 Food parcels in Ukraine for **poor Jewish families and elderly**
- 30,000 Meals on Wheels in Ukraine
- 60,000 Meals for the poor in Israel through Colel Chabad, the Jaffa Insitute, Christian Friends of Israeli meal
- 2,000 Meal vouchers for the poor
- 15,000 Meals in Jewish orphanages in Ukraine and Jews in Europe
- 1,000 Support packages for the poor in **Nazareth** through Home of Jesus the King Church of Saleem Shalash
- 400 Support packages in **Bethlehem** through First Baptist Church of Naim Khoury
- 10,000 Meals in Jaffa for children of families at risk through the Jaffa Institute



Humanitarian Projects

HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS

We supported:

- **1,520 Holocaust Survivors in Ukraine and Moldova** with direct financial and practical support
- **Direct aid** to organizations who help Holocaust Survivors in Israel



CHILDREN IN ISRAEL

We contributed to:

- **ADI**, an institute that takes care of multiple disabled children. We sponsored beds and equipment.
- **Jaffa Institute**: the costs which are not covered by the government for 400 students at the boarding school.
- **The Educational Center of Savyon** for an educational program for more than 200 schools.
- **Am Israel Echad** for their educational program for Biblical History and visits to Biblical sites.
- **Neve Michael**: the establishment of a department for girls from a difficult background.



JAFFA INSTITUTE



ADI



NEVE MICHAEL

Testimonies

Your commitment goes beyond mere monetary contribution. Your support serves as a powerful testament of your dedication to the safety and well-being of our nation, both within Israel and beyond its borders. And your advocacy for the State of Israel encourages and strengthens Jews and non-Jews alike worldwide and it truly reflects Christians for Israel's commitment to 'inform,

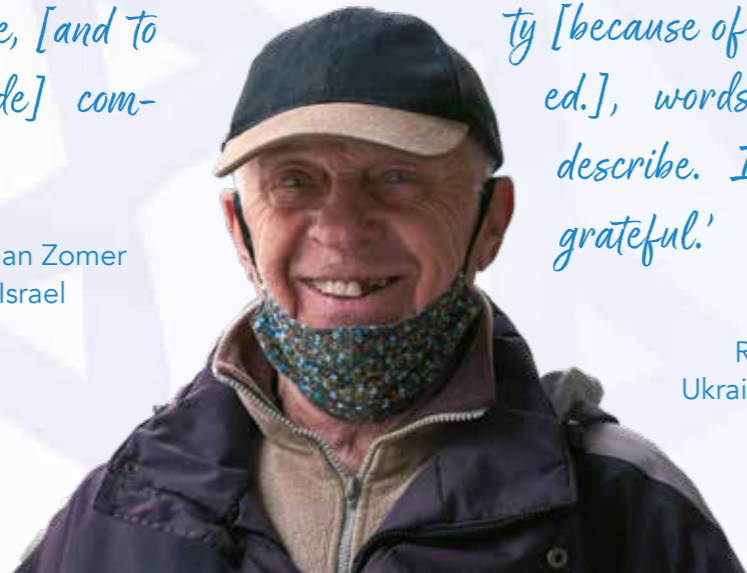
inspire, [and to provide] comfort.'

Yochanan Zomer
ADI in Israel



'You know, I wouldn't survive this year without your help. Your meals and food packages saved me when I was sick, during the pandemic and this war. I literally have no money to buy enough food. Thanks to you, I enjoy delicious meals twice a week. What you did for us when there was no electricity [because of the war, ed.], words cannot describe. I am so grateful.'

Roman from
Ukraine receives
C4I Food
parcels



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As I've expressed before, your boundless enthusiasm for the wondrous Land of Israel and its people is truly incredible and uplifting. Together, we are improving the lives of thousands of children and adults in severe need, through nutritional, therapeutic, vocational and educational programming. This work is a beacon of hope for so many, especially during these very challenging times with war raging at our borders.

Dr. David J. Portowicz
Jaffa Institute

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Christians for Israel International

Governing Board of Christians for Israel (2023)



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Christians for Israel is a global network of national Affiliates, Representatives and Partner organisations in many countries. The network is led by Christians for Israel International, a foundation established in the Netherlands, which has the following tasks:

1. To give overall leadership to the global C4I movement regarding its mission, vision, values and beliefs;
2. To equip, encourage and strengthen the C4I Affiliates to become/remain effective and financially self-sustaining;
3. To develop and disseminate core educational resources;
4. To pioneer the bringing of the message into new geographical and language areas.

The C4I International Board comprises representatives of several C4I Affiliates. Board members are appointed for a four-year period. The Christians for Israel International Board met three times in 2023.

Christians for Israel International Leadership (2023)



President
Rev. Willem Glashouwer

The President has a specific role in speaking, teaching and education, and representing the global ministry.



Executive Director
Rev. Cornelis Kant

The Executive Director represents the global ministry and is responsible for implementing the plans and budgets established by the Governing Board, teaching and education. The Executive Director oversees an Executive team comprising staff members and volunteers.

Regional Directors (2023)

C4I International has appointed a Regional Director (RD) for a number of regions. The RD's are members of the Global Executive Council and report directly to C4I International. Each Regional Director is responsible for:

- overseeing the development of the C4I Affiliates in his/her region;
- developing new contacts; where appropriate appoint C4I Representatives in new regions;
- coordinating the production and distribution of C4I teaching resources in his/her region.



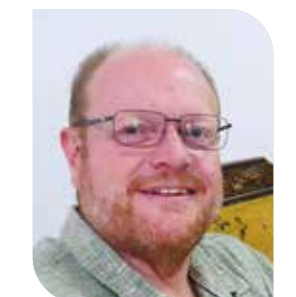
Asia
Wilson Ng
Based in Malaysia



Europe
Marie-Louise Weissenböck
Based in Austria



Oceania/Pacific
Ian Worby
Based in Australia



Oceania/Pacific
Bryce Turner
Based in New Zealand

Media & Communications



VIDEOS WITH THE MOST VIEWS

- We Stand with Israel (2,226 views)
- If you are afraid, say the prayer 'Shema Israel' (1,955 views)

TOP 10 OF COUNTRIES WHERE OUR YOUTUBE VIEWERS LIVE

1. India
2. United States
3. The Netherlands
4. Philippines
5. Malaysia
6. Australia
7. United Kingdom
8. Israel
9. South Africa
10. Canada



POSTS WITH THE MOST VIEWS

- Explainer: Media coverage about Israel (5,000 views; 17,030 reached)
- Urgent Call to Prayer for Israel by Rev. Willem Glashouwer (4,354 views; 16,103 reached)
- Interview with Mirjam Reijnen from Kibboets Nahal Oz (387 views; 692 reached)

POSTS WITH THE MOST VIEWS

- Pray for Israel (1,500 views)
- Ofir Libstein was beloved (1,100 views)
- Urgent Call to Prayer for Israel by Rev. Willen Glashouwer (1,088 views)



POSTS WITH THE MOST VIEWS

- Support Israel - C4I International (24,673 views)
- Five Bible Texts about God's Protection of Israel (18,941 views)
- Start your Biblical Journey (10,121 views)

TOP 10 OF COUNTRIES WHERE OUR WEBSITE VIEWERS LIVE

1. United States
2. India
3. Canada
4. United Kingdom
5. The Netherlands
6. Australia
7. New Zealand
8. Germany
9. Bangladesh
10. Israel



NEWSLETTERS

The *Weekly Update* with up-to-date information on Israel is distributed via email and enjoys an increasing number of readers. Our bi-monthly *Prayer Calendar* was published six times in **eight languages**.

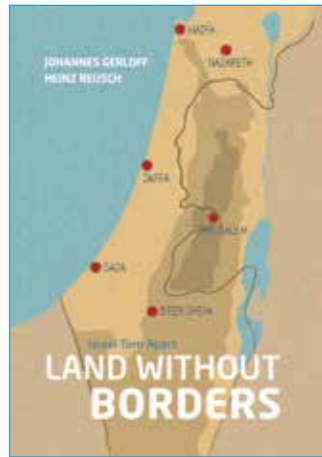


Educational Resources/Newspapers

In 2023, the following Educations Resources have been released:



Jesus and Israel
English



Land without borders
English



Why peace on earth
English



Why is the Saviour
of the world a Jew?
English



Land without borders
Romanian



Why peace on earth?
Romanian



Why is the Saviour
of the world a Jew?
Romanian



Believing without Israel
Romanian

Books



Why Israel?
Chinese



Why Israel?
Bahasa Indonesian



Why Israel?
Urdu (Pakistan)



Israel and the Church

Theological Journal

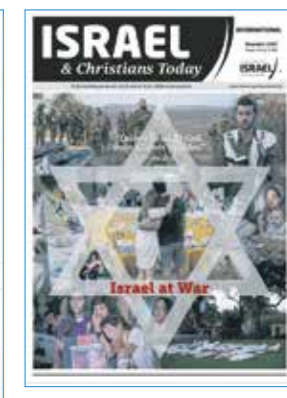
Books



Livestreams



Newspaper Israel & Christians Today



Testimonies

*'THANK YOU
so much for continuing
to send me your prayer calendar.
I am committed to praying
for Israel
and this calendar has given me
more of an understanding
about Israel, God's chosen.'*

Email from someone
receiving our Prayer Calendar



*'We are not used
to people taking care of us
in such a loving way.
But you take care of us
and so much love!
We wished that my parents
could have been here still
to experience this.'*

Member of the Jewish community
in Moldova



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*I want to thank you and the entire
Christians for Israel family for your ongoing support
over so many years for our work to restore
the Lost Tribe of Bnei Menashe back home to Zion.
It warms our hearts to know that so many Christians
around the world stand with us and pray for us,
particularly during this difficult time
for the Jewish people and the State of Israel.*

Rabbi Michael Freund
Chairman, Shavei Israel

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The overview below is a summary of the amounts transferred to projects in 2023 by Christians for Israel Affiliates. General donations received by Christians for Israel Affiliates are expended on fulfilling our mission. Donations that are earmarked for specific projects (like f.e. Bring the Jews home - Aliyah) are transferred to such projects in accordance with the donors' instructions. Figures are converted to Euros at the rate applicable in March 2024 and they may therefore deviate slightly from the original amount.

BRING THE JEWS HOME (ALIYAH)		HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS IN ISRAEL / FOOD PARCELS & HELP HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS IN UKRAINE	
COUNTRY			Total (x 1,000 Euros)
Australia	152	Australia	76
Austria	6	Austria	82
Belgium	26	Belgium	262
Germany	73	Germany	1,373
The Netherlands	1,261	The Netherlands	7,072
New Zealand	65	New Zealand	25
Philippines	7	Philippines	3
Switzerland	8	Switzerland	29
Uganda	1	Uganda	-
USA	-	USA	4
Vietnam	2	Vietnam	10
TOTAL	1,601	TOTAL	8,936

The overview on page 63 is a summary of the audited operating results for 2023 of the foundation Christians for Israel International. The Christians for Israel Affiliates report separately on their financial results, in accordance with local regulations. Please contact the respective Affiliates if you are interested in these financial results.

Item	Results 2022	Results 2023
RECEIPTS		
Donations	143	136
Sales of Educational Resources	-	1
Dues (10% International dues paid by C4I Affiliates to C4I Int.)	372	297
TOTAL RECEIPTS	515	434
DISBURSEMENTS		
Administration and Operating Expenses	320	323
Communication		
Newspaper	7	9
Websites, PR and Marketing	40	19
Media and Educational Resources		
Research and Development	19	4
Regional Development		
Travel	15	25
Regional Development Budgets	46	46
Training	14	49
International Board Meetings	1	1
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	462	476
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	53	-42



We stand with Israel

Sunrise over fields in southern Israel, near Beer Sheva | Photo: Flash90

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