

# HIIM REPORT

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## *A Roadway in the Wilderness*

*Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert.*  
(Isaiah 43:19 NKJV)

Shalom! After two months of power-packed ministry in Ethiopia, America, and Israel, I have seen Adonai do new things! Every day He declares He wants to make a road in your wilderness! I ask you, what trees and obstacles are in your way? God wants to pave a road right through those obstacles. What about your deserts? He wants to put a river right there! I want to share with you pictures that will give you some idea of the new things that God did through the ministry of which you are a part. He built a roadway!



In Gondar, Ethiopia (pictured above), thousands came from all over, some walking two to three hours or taking public transit if they could afford it, because their hearts wanted more from God. (at right) Over 50 in Gondar came forward to give their lives to Yeshua, their arms reaching upward in surrender. (page 2 L) Powerful moment when I walked the aisle, praying for hundreds in Bahardar, Ethiopia who wanted the truth of Messiah's words and a revelation of His presence. (page 2 R) Children in Gondar, which has a large population of *Beta Yisrael*, received the gift of the Holy Spirit, spoke in tongues, saw visions, and prophesied the things of God.

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## BACK TO ISRAEL AFTER 13 YEARS

Israel—a land that brought us great encouragement and great mourning. The encouraging aspect is that so many are open to hear about Yeshua and eager to know the truth, especially the Ethiopian Jews (Beta Yisrael), who are looking for hope from the poverty that surrounds them. Most of them depend on government welfare. The great mourning in our hearts was not for the poverty necessarily, but for the results of it. Because the living conditions are hard and the families are separated from the Israeli mainstream because of language and cultural barriers, the younger generation is wild and unruly.

There is no one to really guide them and help them to integrate into modern society. They see no future for themselves. Their parents don't have enough knowledge and ability to teach and give them life skills and direction for a successful future. Therefore, this generation of Beta Yisrael is engaging in drugs and alcohol, gambling and all kinds of immoralities. Some of them are young people who had been strong believers; now they have returned to the world and are living miserable and hopeless lives. There is a huge vacuum of spiritual leadership among Ethiopian Jews. At conferences in Haifa and Tel Aviv, many believers attended and many newcomers accepted Yeshua as their Messiah. We were very happy to immerse them in the Jordan River. Our children—Ruhama, Ebenezer, and Tziona—were also among those immersed in the Jordan.

One local pastor, Pastor Beny, told us the difficulties of transportation for members of Congregation Burning Bush because they don't have cars. Most of them live in remote places and are unable to attend the congregation. They asked us to provide transportation so that they may attend the services and Bible study. Would you join with us to bless them with a van which holds 12 to 15 people? It will cost us around \$30-35,000 for a good, used van. As they ride on this van that takes them to the house of God where they can hear about the love of God, they will also see His love through the generosity of His people. Would you pray about saying, "Yes, I would like to make a one-time gift of \$1000, \$3,000 or \$5,000 to this redeeming mission in Haifa, where there are more than 8,000 Ethiopian families who need to be brought to Yeshua." Any amount will be a blessing! We will continue updating you on what the Lord is doing in Netanya, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem among the Beta Yisrael. Pray also that Adonai gives us direction in the next year about what we must do for His Kingdom as it pertains to the Beta Yisrael. Of course we have not forgotten the Ethiopians who are trapped in Gondar with no food, clothing or shelter. We have to do something to save them. My daughter Ruhama raised money from fellow students and friends to buy shoes and backpacks for 68 orphans. I was touched and saw God's hand in her life. I see that same hand upon your life for the blessing you are to all those we have touched through HIIM. Blessings & Shalom in Messiah, Kokeb Gedamu



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