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Ethiopian Jewish News Update

A couple with three small children need help making their house mortgage payment . . .

These are just a few examples of the kinds of requests for aid that come across my desk almost every day. Admittedly, at times the many needs of the Beta Israel Messianic Jews living in Israel that I receive overwhelm me.

These requests break my heart.

They are often all too familiar . . .

A couple may lose their home because they can't make the mortgage payment. In a matter of days, they could be out on the street. They turned to us . . .

A struggling widow doesn't know where to get financial aid in order to clothe her two girls and provide for food for them. She turned to us . . .

The growing Beta Israel Messianic Jewish congregation in Haifa needs a place to hold Shabbat services and have Bible studies but it is simply not in a financial position to sign a lease, pay a steep security deposit, and make the monthly rent. The congregation's leaders turned to us . . .

Sometimes, I wonder where to turn when these requests arrive.

Of course, the first place I turn to is God. It is He who had me establish the House of Israel International Ministry (HIIM) in order to help my dear brethren in Israel. It is He from whom I draw strength and encouragement when the many requests for aid mount up. And, it is He who reminds me that the struggle is not mine alone to bear.

In those special moments with Him, I am reminded in my spirit that the burden is not mine alone; it is also the Body of Messiah's burden. We are supposed to come to the aid of our brothers and sisters who have far less than us. We are called to bring blessing to those who most need it.

So, again, I turn to you . . .

The couple, the widow, and the congregation typify just some of the many needs the Messianic Ethiopian community has in Israel.

Your generous gift this month will help HIIM to reach out in the Name of Messiah Yeshua to struggling men, women and children. Whatever the Lord leads you to send will go to families who desperately need help. And, as you send your gift in, I ask you to do one other thing for me . . .

On the enclosed reply form there's a place for you to write a note to me. You could use this form to send me a note of encouragement for the work HIIM is doing in Israel. We all need encouragement from time to time, don't we? Or you could use the form to send me your prayer request, so I can pray for your need.

As always, I am ever thankful for your interest and partnership in the work God has called us to.

God bless you!

Thank you!

Yours truly,

Kokeb Gedamu, Rabbi
HIIM President

Any gift provided to us this month will be going directly to the above families.

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