

Ahavath Messiah Ministries

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Did you know?

Despite the tough neighborhood they live in, numerous studies rank Israelis among the happiest people among Western nations.

Ahavath Messiah translated from Hebrew means Love Messiah. Our purpose is to take the love of Messiah to Jewish people so they may come to faith in the Messiah of Israel. Equally important is the need to encourage other believers in the churches to embrace their witness of Messiah to Jewish People.

Do you have a Jewish friend you would like to send a tract? Please email us their address and we'll mail them the Messiah tract and response card to info@ahavathmessiah.com.

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Dear Praying Friends,

Our tract outreach is a project which garners quite a bit of harsh reaction. In the prelude of the tract I simply express how growing up in an Orthodox home and in a family of Orthodox and Hasidic Rabbis I understand how important the issue of Messiah is among our people. I urge them to search the Hebrew Scriptures and see what the Prophets of Israel declare about Messiah. I also list important passages while never using any New Testament verses nor ever mentioning the name Jesus, simply using passages in the Hebrew Scripture which clearly identify Messiah. Still the reactions can be quite severe. One such reaction came from someone who seemed to be hurt that I would dare be involved in such an effort. This person cries out "Is it not enough that the Jews had to defend themselves against tyrants in every era? Now, you want to convert them! I think your attempt to convert Jews is shameful!"

To understand this person's response, you must first know that Jewish people see any effort at evangelizing, or as this person states, "attempt to convert Jews" as antisemitic activity. It is long held by the Rabbis that once you cross that line and embrace Jesus and become a follower of His then you are no longer Jewish. (I contend that you cannot possibly do anything more Jewish than to embrace Messiah). Jewish people as such look at our evangelistic efforts and think, "you cannot stand that I am Jewish, therefore, you feel you must change me so that I am no longer Jewish." This in their mind equals antisemitic behavior. Therefore, this person finds what we are doing as "shameful!"

It is my prayer that understanding what lay behind what appears to be a negative reaction will allow you to appreciate the obstacles we as believers must overcome in our effort to bring this message of Messiah to my people. As you understand this, we hope you will pray more fervently for the souls of these Jewish people and not simply dismiss the effort as so many do and we would pick up the charge of our God who made us a watchman unto the House of Israel and warn them as from God! If we fail to warn them, they will die in their iniquity but their blood will our God require at our hands. However, if we warn them, but they reject our warning, he will die in his iniquity but we will have delivered our soul. This is the charge our God has given each of us in Ezekiel 33: 7-9. This is the charge to which our God holds us accountable! This is the charge which caused me to leave the pastorate 26 years ago and follow my Lord into Jewish Missions! While it is a difficult journey, I am ever thankful that according to this charge my God does not hold me accountable for how they respond, but He does hold me accountable for giving them something to respond to! So, we labor on, always grateful for you making it possible by your faithful prayer and financial support. Please never forget, it is by your mercy, they shall obtain mercy. Romans 11:30-31.

In Messiah, Dr. Al Reichman

NOTE: We just have a very few seats left for our 2023 Israel Tour! Please contact me as soon as possible if you are interested!