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Dear Friend of Revive Israel,



**What a BEAUTIFUL
season springtime is!**

It is truly a time of new life, hope and inspiration for the future. Nature gives a powerful declaration of the glory of God for all to see.

As Israelis, we humbly THANK HIM for allowing us to enjoy the outdoors this year, while some countries still have many restrictions.

We also TRUST HIM for the new Israeli government coalition that is in the process of being formed. Thank you for standing with us in prayer for this!

Meet the Team: Tal Robin



Tal Robin is a senior leader of Revive Israel and an elder in a local congregation. He was born in Israel, but his family originated in Romania and France. He is married and has 5 children. He loves languages and speaks Hebrew, English, Dutch, and bits and pieces of many other languages.

He has developed strong Revive Israel ministry connections in the Czech Republic, Poland, and Slovakia, and his heart is to see revival in Israel as well as in these nations. His heart is especially drawn to those from an orthodox Jewish religious background, and the Lord has allowed him to make many friends and contacts in those sectors.

Currently he is part of our Community Farm Discipleship Center, where he is combining agricultural work with mentoring young people. He is a talented gardener and builder, whether it is full size structures, or Legos with his children!

Please pray for Tal as father, servant-leader, and bridge to other nations and sectors of Israeli society.

'His Kingdom Come' – Discipleship Program



As the recent program at the RI Community Farm Discipleship Center drew to a close, we have been able to look back at the eight weeks and reflect on all that took place. The mighty hand of God was working throughout the whole time, in ways none of us ever anticipated. The team operated in harmony, each one in his/her area of service. The students were free to simply receive from the Lord.

They nevertheless experienced severe challenges, including one member contracting Covid19, which meant the whole group had to go into quarantine. *How does one run a discipleship program being isolated from one another?* With God nothing is impossible. He gave creative ways to continue, even after Valerie (one of the key organizers) on her way back from Switzerland where she attended her dad's funeral, learned she was COVID19 positive. That meant she had to stay there an extra 10 days! Yuval (her husband and program leader) had to stay at home and look after their 6 young children.



"Still, we saw how the Lord continued to work mightily in the lives of the students despite the absence of the two senior leaders for two weeks. IT WAS ALL HIS DOING. When we are weak, He is (very) strong. Our God is so faithful!" Tal Haroni, one of the organisers, said.

It is evident from the testimonies how the lives of six individuals have been radically changed after only two months. This could never have been done without your prayer backup, love, and support. We thank Him for using this program to connect us and to bring about a testimony of His goodness.

Please pray for this program to be a 'launching pad' for continued discipling in young lives; and for the students to pursue His Kingdom and the victory He gave – even more so as they go back to their regular lives.

Student Testimonies:



“The work was not over-intensive and we were given enough time – I could solve a lot of issues that were deep in my heart. It was a safe place where I was able to do this. I am listening to God now (something I didn’t do in the past), and I can talk to Him. I am changed and in a much different ‘place’ now”.

“During this time, I discovered a lot of hurts and unresolved issues inside me. One evening, during worship, I had an intense internal battle with the Lord. It took time, but as I submitted it to Him, all became calm and I had PEACE. It was such a revelation for me! The Lord promised to take me higher in my faith. This experience also inspired me to start growing plants outside my house!” 😊

“I felt I grew and made leaps of progress on how to release and submit matters to God. Previously, I took everything too personally, hurting myself in the process. It was a constant struggle. During this program I was given the tools to deal with this deep root of rejection. I am much more secure in who I am in God now”.



“It was hard for me in the beginning, I was not sure I fit in this framework. Yet today I know it was the right decision. I feel much closer to God, I can pray alone, read the Scriptures alone and ask questions. The team was wonderful and I felt comfortable to speak and share. I really want to see a change when I go back home to my regular life”.

“The Lord did so much for me in this time... it was a healing experience that allowed one to ‘flow’. I received the tools needed to continue my life as a believer in Yeshua. I experienced many victories, for example, overcoming the desire to always put myself in the center. Doing that prevents Him from working through me. I struggled with sickness during the program, but despite it, I felt whole and was able to rest”.

Revive Israel Jerusalem Base



We are excited to announce that our team began a new chapter in establishing a Jerusalem base for Revive Israel as the headquarters of Tikkun Global and local ministry, at the beginning of 2021. We see this as a key part of serving the emerging Global family ministry; and walking into the next phase of a worldwide movement of revival and restoration, from *Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, to the ends of the earth – and back again!*

Currently the team members serving at the base are: Asher and Betty, Ariel and Vered, Jeremiah and Rachel, and Sarah. The center is located in downtown Jerusalem and called "Chevruta" in Hebrew, which means: "togetherness," group fellowship, living and communing. We have been building an altar of worship and prayer during the week, and have already begun hosting youth and young adults' retreats, worship nights, online global gatherings, teaching seminars; as well as hosting Ahavat Yeshua congregational activities such as Bar Mitzvah classes.

Thank you for praying with us as we look to find a larger facility for hosting groups, for our offices and media studio, as well as for unity, clarity, open doors and fruit for the Kingdom of God in these new, ground-breaking steps!

Global outreach: The Revive Spanish team Update from the Vargas family:



Originally from Colombia, Marlon and Laura Vargas, serve as youth pastors in San Antonio, Texas. They also serve as Revive Israel Spanish representatives running the virtual activities on [Revive Israel Español](#) as well as on the new [Instagram page](#).

They welcomed their first child, Josiah, in January. He is fulfilment of a promise given by the Lord 3 years ago! Despite the pandemic, which has caused many to despair, the Lord's protection and provision allowed their ministry to prosper. All honour to Him! *"We are in a new season learning how to be parents and getting a deeper understanding of the love and PATIENCE God has for us."*

On February 26th, the ministry organized an international prayer event on Zoom and Facebook Live. Pastors from different countries, representing almost every country in Latin America, gathered together in unity to pray for the Spanish speaking nations and for Israel!

"We prayed for the Believer Body in each nation, for the leaders and for salvation to come. Every pastor in the meeting had a chance to pray, resulting in a powerful time in the Spirit. The event was live streamed on Facebook allowing many people to join the prayer. It was very blessed and we believe it will bear much fruit", Marlon said.

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Via Facebook Live - Vier 26 febrero

Por cada país, un pastor presente.
Líderes desde Jerusalén presentes.
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Súmate! **TODOS** son bienvenidos!

ReviveIsrael Español



Update from Rachel and Jeremiah Smilovici, Revive Israel's COO & CFO and Spanish team leaders:

Jeremiah and Rachel welcomed their fifth baby, Shoshana, last year in June.

Rachel shares: *"It was a bit of a shock for me, but the Lord knew that we needed her to come. Just 10 days after her arrival, Jeremiah's mom passed away unexpectedly. It devastated the family, but somehow Shoshana's presence helped ease the pain. She is bringing so much joy and laughter. Praise God for His wisdom and care!"*

In this season we had to learn to navigate a ministry while still in mourning and raising five children. Yet, we never felt alone for one moment. We truly experienced AMAZING GRACE!"

**TO GOD BE
ALL THE GLORY!**

Thank you for being partners together with us as we all seek to help establish Yeshua's Kingdom on the earth!

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