

Road to Zion Update

April 30, 2009

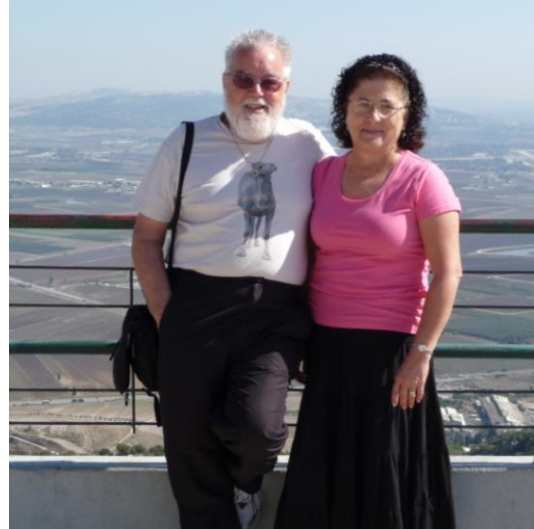
Next Trip October 31-November 11, 2009

*For the L-rd has chosen Zion;
He has desired it for His dwelling place;
This is My resting place forever;
Here I will dwell, for I have desired it.
I will abundantly bless her provision;
I will satisfy her poor with bread.
I will also clothe her priests with salvation,
And her saints shall shout aloud for joy.
Psalm 132:13-16*

Upcoming Events

I doubt that anyone has escaped the stress of the present economic down turn in the United States. We know of many ministries that are struggling to survive. It has also touched Road to Zion Ministries. For the first time we do not have enough people signed up to make the May work trip to Israel feasible for this year. So we sadly cancelled the trip a few weeks ago. But, our contacts in Israel had not heard of our decision to cancel and wrote us about families needing help in the Jerusalem area. After much prayer and many conversations, Jean and I have decided that the two of us should go even without a group. We have chosen one family to help, with the others to wait until we return in October.

Adina is a 40 year old widow with two children ages 6 and 17. She has major health problems including cancer. After many set backs in her life she has become fearful and downcast. Since it will only be the two of us, we hope to go visit with her, check out her apartment, and not only paint but also spend time with her and encourage her. Because of her situation we did not want her to wait until fall for help. Some may say this is a big expense and huge effort to help just one family. But there is no price tag you can put on the possibilities of what G-d can



do in her life through the love of the Messiah. Please begin praying for her and her issues even before we arrive there. Also, pray that we will be able to connect with her and find a way to reach her with hope and love. We are praying that G-d will use the quietness of just two people in her home instead of a group, to inspire more intimate conversations about her needs and struggles.



Sun and clouds on the hills of Jerusalem

We also have good news to report on Elisheva. If you remember she is the single Mother we met last fall. She is struggling to feed her six children, find sufficient employment and learn the Hebrew language and culture. With your donations we have been able to send Hanukah gifts to her children, supply food for her family

and help pay for counseling for her so she can improve her parenting skills and learn to cope with other emotional issues. Her congregational leaders tell us they can see positive changes in her already. Also, a man in her congregation is devoting some of his time to take the children on outings and fill in some of the missing father figure in their lives. We hope to go by and visit with her while we are in Israel.



Beautiful Caesarea

We told you, in our last newsletter, about a boys ranch we visited. You may recall we even helped the boys pick olives. If we have the opportunity, we want to make contact with them again and see if we can plan work projects at their ranch for future trips.

We know many of you are facing financial hardships and we pray for G-d's richest blessings and direction for each of you. We also continue to pray G-d will supply Road to Zion's

financial needs as we continue to plan new work projects for fall 2009 and two trips next year. We are comforted by the knowledge that we can bring our cares to the Heavenly Father's throne and He will hear. His arm is not short and His mercy is everlasting!

If you would like to help with the expenses for our trip in June or the October 2009 trip please make your donation to Road to Zion Ministries and let us know how you want the gift to be used. Your gifts are needed to buy work supplies for the projects and scholarships to make it possible for more volunteers to go. Your donation can also be used to help the families we minister to. We like to bless them by buying food or other basic necessities for them while we are there. Because of the weight limit imposed by the airlines we are no longer able to take gifts and supplies from here.

Shalom, David Dorris

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You may have noticed the "o" missing from the name of G-d in this newsletter. To honor His holy name, Jewish people refrain from adding the "o" when writing the name of G-d. We have chosen to respect their tradition by doing the same.

UPCOMING TRIP TO ISRAEL

October 31- November 11, 2009

**If you would like to experience 12 fantastic days seeing the land
G-d calls "His resting place forever"...**

**If you would like to touch the lives of Israeli families in need
by painting and doing simple repairs...**

**Contact us quickly for an application or download the application
from our website: www.roadtozion.org Deadline for applications is August 1, 2009**