



Dear Friends of Turning Hearts, We just returned from an amazing trip to the congregation we support in Israel. They are standing firm in the midst of trials and opposition. We were very happy to see their growth in the Lord and their enthusiasm regarding what God is doing. We were there for a total of ten days and all of it was devoted to ministry. We had three congregational meetings in all. The regular service on Thursday night, youth service on Friday, and the whole day Saturday was given to teaching and ministry. We encouraged them to stay true to the Lord and His presence and on Saturday I spent about three hours teaching them regarding the things to come and the hope of the church. They were extremely encouraged and the Holy Spirit's presence was strong at all the meetings.

The youth in Be'erSheva are amazing. They are young Israelis who love the Lord and are hungry for more of Him. We were greatly honored to minister to them on Friday. One of the young girls is in the IDF and she shared with us a beautiful testimony. We prayed with her and my wife told her that God was going to bring into authority in the Land. The next day her commander brought her into the office and told her that they wanted to bring her into leadership. He also wanted to know what it was about her. He saw a special glow on her and wanted to know what it was. She shared her faith with Him in Yeshua the Messiah. He was surprised and interested and what was supposed to be a ten minute meeting turned into a forty five minute meeting. We were very encouraged by these kinds of testimonies and the way the Holy Spirit was touching them. Through this precious congregation we, and the churches that support us, are reaching into the heart of Israel and preparing the way for the return of Christ.

This trip to Israel was very significant for Kathy and I and our super translator Katya. It was my 20th trip and it was on the very day of our 40th anniversary as Christians. Furthermore I will turn 60 this month and it is a Jubilee year. All of those things proved not to be co-incidental as a wide door of ministry has opened up to us. While we were in Be'erSheva, Javier and Keyla introduced us to pastors in Milan Italy. Through spending a few days with them, we have been invited to come to Milan and do the same thing with their church. This is a huge opportunity for us to bring the fire of the Holy Spirit and healing and eschatology teaching to one of the largest charismatic churches in northern Italy. Furthermore, Marcelo (Javier's brother) has invited us to Argentina for the whole month of April to minister the same things to his congregation.

For nine years we have been going faithfully to Be'erSheva. We have seen marvelous transformation in the lives of these precious people. The Spanish

speaking Jewish population in the Negev is growing. They have given up their lives in all the countries of Central and South America to make Aliyah to Israel. They have been brought back to their homeland by the Lord Himself in fulfillment of His promise (Obad 1:20). But live in Israel is not easy. They are on the frontlines of the conflict of the ages. The cost of living is high and they are generally on the low end of the labor force. To illustrate, only two or three families out of the congregation are able to own a vehicle. Therefore they continue to need outside support to survive and be effective in the ministry. Turning Hearts, with the help of First Baptist Church of Kingston NY, and New Life Christian Fellowship, Alpena Michigan, supports the Montenegro family with \$600 a month. We are much honored to be able to sow into this work in Be'erSheva and throughout the nation. The Montenegro family and our sister church in Be'erSheva, are very grateful for the help they receive. May God continue to bless them as well as those of you who support this work!

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#### Ireland

The church plant in Ireland that began three years ago continues to grow and take root. Recently they moved into a new building and after much difficulty at first, the property has been renovated and a new carpet installed. We are so proud of the work that Kyle and Rachel are doing and we are very grateful for all the support for this awesome project. Special thanks to First Baptist Church for their continued support. If you would like to donate or be part of these projects: <http://www.banneroflove.org>

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*Congregation in Be'erSheva*



*Youth Group Be'erSheva*



*Montenegro Family*



*PJ preaching & Katya translating*



*The Chahanovich family in Ireland*



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