



For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, [and] Israel for his peculiar treasure. Psalm 135:4

Dear Pastor and Friends,

January-February 2024

Thank you for your prayers, support, Christmas gifts, and cards that you have recently given/sent. Please pray for ministry opportunities. We live in a small community, yet we have numerous Bible churches that are in the area. Our Mission offers several ministry resources. I hope to visit many of these churches to provide literature to the pastors explaining these resources.

IBJM Ministry training opportunities – During the upcoming months, our Mission will provide various opportunities to better serve the Lord and bless the Jewish population. Three of those are listed below:

London Evangelistic Outreach – May 17-24, 2024

New York City Evangelistic Outreach – May 27- June 3, 2024

The Annual Four-Day Focus on Jewish Missions –June 17-20,2024

Our Health:

We are thankful to report that Jean remains in remission from cancer. Earlier this month she was having several days with high blood pressure. At times, the high was 188, with numerous readings over 177. Recently, I contacted a first responder who took her blood pressure, and it was at 177. That day she was seen by a local physician's assistant (PA) who was able to address the problem. The best that could be determined was that months ago, her prescription dosage of one of her medications was reduced by mistake. The PA adjusted the dosage, and Jean is now monitoring the effect. So far, her pressure has dropped but is still high, around the 160s. Please pray for her health. Regarding my health, I am thankful my Achilles tendon continues to improve and I am limping less. I am scheduled for a preliminary exam for cataract surgery. I would appreciate your prayers.

I have been invited to teach in the Bible college in San Miguel de Tucumán, Argentina where, by God's grace, I have taught numerous times in the past. Please pray that God would work to permit me to make a trip to South America this year and, Lord willing, teach in Tucumán. Please pray for the summer camps in Argentina, that decisions made would be sincere. Please pray for the economic/political situation in Argentina. A new president has been elected and is attempting sweeping changes.

Prominent Jewish Feasts in 2024:

Purim begins at sunset on Saturday, March 23, 2024, and ends at nightfall on Sunday, March 24.

Passover week begins at sunset on Monday, April 22, and ends at nightfall on Tuesday, April 30 (includes **Feast of Unleavened Bread** and **Firstfruits**).

Feast of Weeks (Pentecost/Shavuot) (giving of the Law at Mt. Sinai) begins at sunset on Tuesday, June 11, and ends at nightfall on Thursday, June 13.

Rosh Hashanah (Feast of Trumpets) The Jewish New Year begins at sunset on October 2, and ends at nightfall on October 4.

Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) begins at sunset on Friday, October 11, and ends at nightfall on Saturday, October 12.

Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot) Begins at sunset on October 16, and ends at nightfall on Wednesday, October 23.

Chanukah begins Wednesday evening, December 25, 2024, and continues through Thursday, January 2, 2025.

Recently, I had the blessing of leading a man to pray to receive the Lord as Savior. Please pray for his spiritual growth.

In the Messiah's hand,

Peter and Jean Ard