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From the Coordinator Countdown to Cape Town 2010

As of the end of January, we don't yet know the number of people related to LCJE who have received an official invitation to participate in the LCWE Congress in Cape Town in October. What we do know is that the number of LCJE-related people who were nominated, and therefore had hoped to get an invitation and be able to take part in CT-2010, is larger than the number of those who will actually get to go.

But you don't have to actually go to Cape Town to get involved in the discussions of the Congress. There are other ways in which we can get involved and make our voices heard, and we should make use of them. If we really believe that we, as people involved in Jewish evangelism, have a contribution to make to world evangelism, we should get involved in the online discussion taking place in preparation for the congress in October. It is possible to do so by joining the Lausanne Global Conversation which the organizers have set up in preparation for the physical conversation that will take place when people actually meet in Cape Town. I very much encourage you to do so and to make use of the opportunity to influence the discussion. You will find it at http://www. lausanne.org/global-conversation/featured.html --- no further invitation is needed.

The Lausanne Global Conversation includes a discussion forum based on a series of 12 articles that will appear in Christianity Today as well as in dozens of publications around the world. Jewish evangelism and Messianic believers are not among the 12 topics for the articles, but the question of Messianic believers is already part of the discussion as can be seen from the conversation on Muslim background believers. All we need to do is to get involved and say something – If we believe we have something to say that is relevant not just for Jewish, but for world evangelism.

Kai Kjær-Hansen

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Forgiveness

By Cecilia Burger, LCJE Coordinator for South Africa

"Father forgive them, for they know not what they are doing," With these powerful words on the cross Jesus set an example to the first martyr, Stephen, and to many people throughout history. Frida Gashumba, a survivor from the Rwandan genocide, describes in her book, Frida, how she survived the Rwandan genocide and how she found the Lord. After she came to faith in Jesus as her Lord and Savior, she heard sermons on forgiveness, but thought the Lord would understand if she didn't forgive her attackers. The atrocities against her and the murder of her family were too much to forgive. She felt her unforgiveness was justified. She could, however, not get away from the above-mentioned words of Jesus on the cross. Gradually, over a period of months, she was brought to the point where she could say, "Lord, I want to forgive." She was later able to meet her enemies in person and told them that she forgave them. This brought healing to her, and some of them accepted the Lord.



Cecilia Burger

I was told there are three Greek words for forgiveness. The first one means to send away. You have to take hold of the offence done to vou and send it away. Like putting it on a train with a one-way ticket. The second word means to set free or to release. When we don't forgive, we put our perpetrators behind bars. The third word means unconditional favor, to set my offender free. The offender does not deserve the favor given.

Forgiveness is hard, but not impossible

Forgiveness is not fair. Forgiveness is hard, but not impossible. When Jesus spoke to his disciples about forgiving a brother over and over they asked him to increase their faith (Luke 17:1–5). In Hebrews 12:14 and 15 we are commanded to make every effort to live in peace with all men, not to miss the grace of God and not to allow bitterness to take root in our hearts. Unforgiveness causes a person's quality of life to deteriorate. It never remains unforgiveness. It turns into bitterness, self-pity, and hatred. We do not always have control over what happens to us, but the Lord holds us responsible for the condition of our hearts. We are called to have the attitude of our Messiah.

A friend told me that every time she says the Lord's Prayer and gets to, "Father forgive us our debts as we have forgiven our debtors," she pauses to think whether she has forgiven her debtors from her heart.

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Visit the new website at www.lcje.net

The Danish Israel Mission, an agency member of LCJE, celebrates its 125th anniversary on March 20, 2010. In that connection Kai Kjær-Hansen has been in the archives, where he came across, among other things, the account of Egon Johannesen, who was murdered by the Nazis in 1944 during the German occupation of Denmark.

When the history of Jewish evangelism is told, we should not focus only on the so-called "famous" persons. The less famous are also part of it, and if they are not included, it will result in a distorted picture.

The LCJE Bulletin welcomes short contributions about some of these less "famous" persons in Jewish evangelism, persons who served God with the talents they had been given.

And Then – Suddenly a Shot

By Kai Kjær-Hansen, Chairman of the Danish Israel Mission

"And then – suddenly a shot – and all the great expectations were crushed." This could be read in the Christmas issue of the Danish Israel Mission's magazine in 1944. The front page carried an article entitled "Joyous Christmas," and inside the magazine the announcement: "Egon Johannesen is dead."

Because of the German occupation of Denmark, it was not then possible to give any details about the shooting and the cause of his death. The details were supplied later. But those who could read between the lines understood what had happened to the Israel Mission's travelling secretary. The words "a sudden shot" were enough. And yet: "Joyous Christmas" – in the face of death!

It was a murder committed by the German occupying power in reprisal for the Danish resistance movement's assassinations of Germans and Danes who cooperated with the Germans. The murder of Kaj Munk in January 1944 was the first of these reprisal murders.



Egon Johannesen 1918 -1944

Kaj Munk was a well-known writer and clergyman in the Danish Lutheran Church. He criticized the occupying power openly and refused to go underground. He has also become famous outside Denmark's borders. In the American Lutheran Book of Worship (Minneapolis: Augsburg Publishing House, sixth printing, 1985) he is listed, under "Lesser Festivals and Commemorations," as "martyr 1944" for January 5.

The revenge murder of Egon Johannesen was committed by the Brøndum Gang, the most notorious German-Danish terrorist group during the Occupation.

On the evening of Novem-

ber 24, 1944, Egon Johannesen and his wife were expecting a visit from some of their close friends. The door bell rang, and he went to answer it, believing that the expected friends had arrived. They were looking forward to a good evening together with good friends. He opened the door, and outside were some unknown men who emptied their revolvers into him in front of his wife. He died shortly after, not long before Advent.

He had less than one year in the service of the Danish Israel Mission.

Gold Medal and Israel Mission

As of December 1, 1943, Egon Johannesen had been employed as travelling secretary for the Danish Israel Mission. During his student days at the university he had been involved in missionary activities and had shown a special interest in Israel Mission. At the age of 23, he received a gold medal from the University of Copenhagen for an Old Testament study. The following year he graduated with the highest number of points which had so far been given. A career as a scholar was open for him, but he chose to become the Israel Mission's travelling secretary. Great things were expected of him in the Israel Mission. Between his many journeys he even found time to work on his doctoral thesis. "And then – suddenly a shot ..."

There was a connection between his involvement in Jewish mission and his death. As a university student, he had been active in the efforts to rescue Danish Jews by smugaling them to Sweden. In 1944, he toured Denmark and spoke openly about the Israel Mission and pleaded the Jewish people's cause - something which put him on the list of individuals who could be used by the Nazis when they wanted to settle the account for their dead.

New LCJE Website

At the end of January the new LCJE homepage was set up on the internet. It is not quite finished, still under construction, but it is our hope that it also in its present state may serve LCJE's cause. The name of the new webmaster is Chris Skjøtt.

When and how did LCJE first make its appearance on the net? What went before was this:

In her first report as LCJE Coordinator for North America, Theresa Newell writes about the year 1999: "Fred Klett

Deo Soli Gloria

Three days after his death there was a memorial service in Simeon Church in Copenhagen. It could not be advertised, but the word passed from mouth to mouth and the church was packed: the bishop, 25-30 clergymen, most of the staff from the University's theological faculty, as well as family and friends. The hearse went from the church to the Central Station, where a train would transport it to the town of Langa in Jutland, where he and his wife came from. On December 1, 1944, he was buried in Langå. Evervwhere in town the flags were at half mast, and there were sians in the shop windows: "Due to funeral, the shop is closed from 1-4 p.m." When the Germanoccupation of Denmark was over, the Danish Israel Mission put up a memorial stone. The dates indicate his age: 1918-1944.



Chris Skjøtt - Webmaster

brought LCJE-NA into the computer age by getting a data base up and running, cataloging papers by title and author from past meetings, setting up a Web site, and developing a logo and letterhead." In that context she goes on to write about her The inscription reads: Deo soli gloria. Thus: 26 years and "To God alone is the glory."

The funds for this memorial stone had been collected among friends of the Danish Israel Mission. His wife wanted the remaining 609,68 kroner to be transferred to the account for Jewish refugees, which also happened.

Ten years later, Henry Rasmussen, the leader of the mission's work in Copenhagen, concludes his article in the Israel Mission's magazine in this way:

"His name will never be forgotten in the Danish Israel Mission. He is our first, and so far, only martyr. Few have been given the talents that he possessed, but may all of us who are in this ministry use whatever we have as he used his".

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dreams for the future (LCJE Bulletin 59, 2000: 15-16). In her report for 2000 The-

resa Newell writes:

"Our aim to set op a website for LCJE-NA has been done ... It contains a catalogue of papers which have been given at earlier conferences, registration information for the up-coming March 2001 conference, and membership information. We ask prayers as we expand the website to include a link to LCJE worldwide as well as to be a place for linking all Jewish ministry work throughout the USA" (LCJE Bulletin 63, 2001: 21).

The first "ads" for LCJE's homepage are found in the following issue of the Bulletin (no. 64, May 2001). Theresa Newell has now taken control and allied herself with Sean Osborne as webmaster. So what began as an initiative from LCJE North America ended up being LCJE's official international homepage.

At the ICC meeting in France in May 2009 it was decided to connect the home page even closer to the international work, which has now been done. We are grateful to the individuals mentioned above for the work they have done, and we welcome the new webmaster Chris Skjøtt.

The family name Skjøtt is not an unusual one in Denmark. And if you wondered if he was in any way related to LCJE's secretary, Bodil F. Skjøtt, you are quite right. He is the middle one of her three sons.

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Annual Report 2009 for LCJE AustralAsia By Bob Mendelsohn, LCJE Coordinator for AustralAsia

From Paul Doody, individual member from Tamworth (Country NSW).

After attending my first LCJE conference in July 2009, my perspectives have changed, and my commitments have deepened. Although there are few Jews here in Tamworth, we have developed closer relations with a Jewish believer who has been the point person for the visit of Dr. Arnold Fruchtenbaum in March next year, and we are now jointly hosting him. This will be a big step for Tamworth, given the topic we selected: "The Church and the Jews." Please pray for solid attendance, especially from ministers, and the lifting of a veil or two. God has also made known to me some other Jews living in Tamworth and the district, and I have met Jews in places I visit. Many of these meetings have potential to bear fruit. All in all, God has been preparing both me and Tamworth for his purposes, giving me knowledge and understanding to host and MC Dr. Fruchtenbaum, meet and speak with Jews locally and away, and promote Jewish evangelism amongst the churches. And he has given me a better sense



Bob Mendelsohn

of where I, and my family, are God's plan.

Celebrate Messiah Australia: Lawrence Hirsch Reporting

Ministry in Melbourne The mainstay of the evangelistic work in Melbourne has continued to be in the form of various events, Bible studies, personal visitation of Jewish people, and church ministry, as well as a new and innovative mission project called Dust to reach out to young Jewish people in the Caulfield area.

Our ministry team has continued to be involved with the Messianic congregation that Celebrate Messiah planted in 1998, Beit HaMashiach. The congregation meets weekly on Saturday mornings and has had an average attendance of about 80 persons. Rita Ivenskis is our Russian Jewish missionary in Melbourne; she has been running several Bible studies each week and does personal visitation in people's homes and hospitals. This year Rita has led several Russian Jewish people to faith in Yeshua.

On the 27–29th of November, 220 Jewish and Gentile believers came together at the Phillip Island Adventure Resort to celebrate the annual Simcha Messianic Conference. Delegates came from all over Australia, every state and territory, along with special guest speaker Scott Brown and guest musician/singer Ted Peace.

Ministry in Sydney

During this past year we have been strategically and intentionally growing the work in Sydney by developing and training a dedicated core group of Jewish and Gentile believers who are committed to reaching Jewish people with the gospel. Our outreach worker in New South Wales, Eileen McDonald, has been the team leader for this outreach. She hosted several special events including a Passover dinner, a Rosh Hashanah dinner/service, and a Feast of Tabernacles service.

New Zealand

Our work amongst Jewish people in New Zealand has increased with the presence of our outreach workers, Scott and Marjorie Brown, on the South Island together with 3 of their 7 children. Their specific ministry is to international travelers, with a special emphasis in reaching the many Israeli backpackers that travel through the country every year.

Far East Russia and Siberia

Since 2004 we have been reaching out to Jewish people in the remotest regions of Far East Russia. The center of our work has been in the Jewish Autonomous Region, but this year, we have expanded the ministry to include parts of Siberia and also the Ural Mountain region of Central Russia.

We have now helped establish eight Messianic outreaches amongst Jewish people in Far East Russia, Siberia, and the Ural mountains.

We also continue to support our resident outreach workers in Birobidzhan (the Jewish Autonomous Region), Valeria, and Andre. They continue to host weekly Shabbat services in Birobidzhan and surrounding areas. Their congregation is called Club Simcha, and in 2009 this ministry celebrated its fifth birthday.

Israel

In January 2009, Celebrate Messiah sent a short-term mission team to Israel. They arrived in the land at a critical time, just when war had broken out in Gaza. The team was used by the Lord to pack boxes of supplies for besieged elderly Holocaust survivors in Sderot. The team also spent several days taking children out of the kasam-rocket affected cities like Ashkelon and Ashdod for respite from the war for the day. Their efforts were greatly appreciated by the CPM Israel team, and because of the kindness shown to the Holocaust survivors in Sderot, an effective ministry amongst this group of people has continued to bear much fruit.

In October this year, we sent our first outreach workers to Israel on a longer-term basis. Jahleel and Rebekah are working with our ministry partners in Israel in various ministry roles, including youth ministry and outreach. Please uphold this wonderful couple in your prayers as they go out from Australia as a blessing to Israel. Please pray especially for Rebekah, who is now pregnant with their first child.

Christian Witness to Israel: Paul Morris Reporting

We have continued the steady work of street witness, hospitality and one-to-one sharing of the gospel, and we thank God that through this many Jewish people have heard the gospel, despite organized opposition from some quarters. Developments which were a particular encouragement were: a growing partnership with a large church in a relatively new Jewish neighborhood, involving a Seder, seminars, and the establishing of a core group for what is

hoped will be a regular outreach meeting; and a regular one-to-one Bible study which has led to the production of a 10-part study booklet which provides an overview of the Bible's message by working through the Bible chronologically, KayChan & Sue Park focus on reaching Israelis, whether resident or backpackers, through street evangelism and opening their home. The network of Australian homes willing to host backpackers has grown. It has been a year in which we have known a greater degree of sickness and weariness than usual, but the Lord has been our strength and we look to him for 2010.

The Vineyard magazine / David House Fellowship: Mark Warren reporting

The Vineyard magazine has enjoyed another year of circulation and ministry. Printed and published in English and Russian, The Vineyard was also joined by the Spanish edition in November 2008. A non-printed version, the Spanish edition (La Vina) is available as a free download from our website, www.thevineyard.org.au

Likewise, both the English and Russian editions can be downloaded for free there. Other items available for free download include: former editions which were previously printed and distributed, the German, Polish, and Romanian editions of The Vineyard, books authored by Dr. Lawrence Duff-Forbes and Joseph Hunting, the very popular radio series Treasures From Tenach, presented by Dr. Duff-Forbes, photos of Israel taken during past DHF tours, and individual articles



Perry Trotter shot this photo of himself and Louise Hirsch and the Balls...must be a good mirror!

by several authors from The Vineyard magazine.

This makes for a friendly and welcoming website, which has had over 360 guests who were logged on at the same time.

We are grateful to the Lord for the encouragement we receive through the numbers of guests visiting, and of the number of hits, both of which also point to a growing worldwide interest.

We bless the LORD in acknowledging that The Vineyard magazine is a part of a greater work, which he is doing; therefore, we praise him for the opportunity to join with other kindred ministries to assist them in their outreach and ministry to local communities.

Jews for Jesus: Bob Mendelsohn reporting

Expansion and clarification of the vision ... that's what we were able to do in 2009, as well as meet up with Jewish enquirers and disciple many to faith in Jesus and keep them walking with him. We conducted evangelistic outreaches in Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, and Sydney, as well as preaching weekends in various country towns in New South Wales. When we travel to cities outside our base in Sydney, we look for and meet up with Jewish enquirers for teaching and discipleship. On our major trip to Adelaide we conducted fellowship meetings for Jewish believers, taught a Jewish evangelism seminar for interested Christians, spoke in six other churches, evangelized at two universities in sorties and in a forum, shared in Bible colleges, and took out a nearlyfull-page ad in the major newspaper. We were pleased with the results of this week of activity.

Our bookshop in Bondi Junction welcomes unsaved Jewish people each week, some to argue, some to buy products, some to discuss the issue of Jesus being Messiah. Not one week goes by without Jewish drop-ins.

The work in Sydney featured teaching weekends in churches, and evangelistic events on holidays like Passover, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Hanukkah.

A major activity was our evangelizing at the Mind, Body, Spirit (New Age) festival, where we had a stall which was full throughout the four days. We read people's names (a bit of gematriyah) and led the conversation to Messiah and his love.

Christian radio and news media ask for our input/ interviews regularly, and as such Messianic influence continues to grow.

Opposition continued, mostly from an individual Chabad rabbi, but the year began with two Jewish university students who made international headlines in Jewish journals by smashing our bookshop window. They acknowledged and paid for their wrong, and God gave us opportunity to share forgiveness publicly. Our staff also went to places in the U.S. like Houston, Kansas City, and Georgia to preach in churches and to meet with Jewish people.

LCJE AustralAsia: Bob Mendelsohn reporting

The November 2009 Bulletin carried information about the first LCJE conference in Svdney in July. Darrell Bock was the featured speaker, and 73 people from all over Australia and New Zealand joined together to make a wonderful week of shared ministry. As a result we now have a Praver Calendar published each month, and a commitment to conduct another LCJE conference in February 2011 with special speaker Michael L. Brown planning to join us. The JOOS (Jewish Outreaches of Svdney) continues to meet with many LCJE members every three or four months, caring and sharing together about ministry matters and each other. LCJE membership is growing, and we anticipate that more ministries and individuals will join us in this necessary network.

In May I was able to go to the LCJE CEO conference in France, as were the Hirsches.

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Annual Report 2009 for LCJE Israel By David Zadok, LCJE Coordinator, Israel

For LCJE Israel, 2009 has been a year of contemplating, thinking, and trying to reorganize as a local chapter of LCJE. However, there has been much happening in terms of evangelism in the country. Various churches and organizations were involved in Russian and Hebrew campaigns, and in two of them there was good cooperation by groups from various parts of the country, among them some that are part of LCJE, like Jews for Jesus and Christian Witness to Israel / HaGefen Publishing. Two of these campaigns were funded by a Finnish organization. A book was produced for the campaign, and ads were posted in the media. The response was very encouraging, among both the Russian speaking and Hebrew speaking Israelis. It seems as if the Lord is opening a crack in the door for reaching out to Israelis.

In an effort to get more congregations involved in LCJE, I have met with various members of the national evangelistic committee as well as some congregation leaders. I



David Zadok

think that the church in Israel can benefit much from LCJE as a network. The possibility of sharing information and resources in a small country like Israel is very important and much needed. We are hoping to see some fruit of our efforts in 2010.

Trying to build on the success of the previous LCJE seminar, we planned a second seminar on evangelism, scheduled initially for October 2009. Due to various reasons, including a personal tragedy in my family, it was deemed best to postpone the seminar to February 2010. This will now take place with participation from LCJE-Israel members, and is open to non-LCJE members, including congregational representatives. The theme of the seminar is "The Gospel for All" - with lectures on how to reach out to New Age folks, to students, and to Ethiopians, and on how to use the media for evangelistic ministry. One of the speakers is from the National Evangelistic Committee, and others come from various congregations and organizations. The invitation is open to non-members. and we are encouraging LCJE members to invite friends and congregation members to come as well. We are glad that both Israeli and foreignbased ministries are participating, and trust that the seminar will give people the tools they need to minister to the various people-groups in Israel.

Please keep us in your prayers as we are planning other events and activities for 2010.

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Annual Report from LCJE Japan 2009 By Charles Klingensmith, Chapter President, LCJE Japan

Shalom to all LCJE co-workers throughout the world! Although we are separated by the miles, our hearts are one in Messiah, whether we are in Japan, New York, London, Moscow, Tel Aviv, or wherever the Lord has placed us. We pray for your well being and encouragement in 2010, even as you pray for ours, and this fellowship of prayer is a great comfort as we continue to serve the Messiah of Israel and his Jewish people here at the eastern extreme of Asia.

LCJE Japan was well sustained by the Lord throughout 2009. In an environment of economic hardship and stalled growth in Japan's churches, we are grateful that we did not lose ground, and were able to advance modestly at least. Our financial situation was adequate to the work we had earlier planned. We were allowed to continue publishing our monthly Japanese language newsletter, LCJE Japan News, with Japanese language translations of articles from the LCIE Bulletin and original Japanese articles by LCJE Japan committee members. We maintained our monthly prayer meetings for Jewish evangelism in Tokyo and Osaka, and saw some new intercessors join our ranks. We were able to host Noam Hendren from Israel in October for our annual events, centered around the growing international movement to pray for the State of Israel at the beginning of October every year; we held meetings both in Tokyo and Osaka at which he spoke. These meetings were very well attended. We at last have begun Japanese language translations of selected articles from Mishkan (with due acknowledgement of



Charles Klingensmith

permission by the copyright holders!), and are in the midst of an effort to distribute complimentary copies to Japan's various seminary libraries and Christian educational institutions.

Nevertheless, we do not feel that we as an organization have entered the mainstream of Japanese Christian and church life. The urgent need for the Jewish people to meet their Messiah has yet to be felt by the bulk of Japanese pastors and church leaders or other Christian opinion makers; we are always trying to convey our own love for the Jewish people, but few churches respond, so we are grateful especially for the few scattered Japanese Christians who share our burden for Jewish evangelism.

We also see a growing urgency in the need for prayer in Japan's churches specifically for the State of Israel and the physical protection of diaspora Jewry. Japan's own national policy relates to the Middle East either as a source of oil or as a market for Japanese know-how, with ill-informed, unthinking bias against the State of Israel in the disputes over current affairs. Many of Japan's churches share in that anti-Israel iqnorance, and LCJE Japan sees a need to remind our brothers and sisters here not only of all that we Gentile Christians owe to the Jewish people, but also of the God of Israel's ongoing love and irrevocable gifts and calling of the people of Israel. There is much work to be done; we need co-workers who share the vision. Brothers and sisters, pray for us!

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Annual Report 2009 for LCJE South Africa By Cecilia Burger, LCJE Coordinator for South Africa

It is with gratitude that I look back on the past year. The interest in LCJE is growing slowly but surely.

Leigh Telli gives her impressions: "The concept of the Jewish missions in Cape Town coming together and pooling their different gifts was

something the Lord laid on my heart a few months before it was birthed! In fact, I recall organizing a meeting to this effect. A group of us with a heart for reaching out to Jewish people sat together over a cup of coffee and discussed working together and meeting to pray on a regular basis – however nothing came of it. In retrospect, it was obviously not God's timing, nor was I the person to co-ordinate it! Perhaps the prayer that went into this concept was a foundation for a future work that God was already planning. It is wonderful to see that seed in full fruition through LCJE in operation, not only in Cape Town but throughout the whole of Southern Africa ... something much larger than I had originally envisaged. I personally find our bi-monthly LCJE meetings in Cape Town a great inspiration, and the mini-explosion in evangelistic opportunities a result of Yeshua's body working together in unity."

David & Jonathan Foundation, Jews for Jesus, Israel Outreach, Messiah's People, Messianic Testimony, and Ministry to Jews are ministries represented in LCJE South Africa. These ministries are involved in educating the local church as well as in personal outreach to Jewish people. Two of our members have weekly programs on local Christian radio stations. Ministry to Jews runs two weekly Bible study groups for women. The Lord opened a door for Messianic Testimony at a retirement home in Cape Town to hold Sunday evening services. The themes of these talks are advertised beforehand and draw a number of Jewish residents. Messiah's People has a weekly hour-long radio program. Apart from regular speaking appointments in churches, Messiah's People holds conferences three times a vear aimed at teaching the church. These conferences are drawing increasingly larger numbers. The last two conferences were attended by 400 people!



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David and Jonathan Foundation

Jack Carstens writes: "The David and Jonathan Foundation seeks to act as a hub in South Africa for all churches that would like to support a Messianic congregation in Israel. The support that is offered includes fellowship, prayer support, visits, volunteers, and, where possible, financial assistance. The Foundation then sees as its task to make churches in South Africa aware of the needs amongst the congregations in Israel and to encourage them to partner with their counterparts in Israel. Once a suitable partner has been selected and agreed upon, the two congregations are put in touch with each other. The

Foundation is supporting five Messianic congregations in Israel at present."

Jews for Jesus

Michael Sischy reported at the beginning of December: "This past year has been a time of much opportunity to minister the gospel to our Jewish people, and to encourage the body of Christ in their walk with the Lord and keep the importance of Jewish evangelism before them.

Last December saw us complete our "Light of the World" outreach in Cape Town. Our annual "Christ in the Passover" teaching tours took our staff to the Western Cape, the Boland and the Garden Route.

We were able to join hands with our international staff as we sent our trainee, Jason Verreyne, to help with evangelism in New York for two weeks in July.

We were blessed to complete a second teaching tour in September on "Christ in the Feast of Tabernacles."

September also saw the founder of our Israeli work, Efraim Goldstein, ministering in the Cape and Johannesburg.

Our day-to-day ministry in Jewish people's homes con-



Participants at the LCJE meeting in Cape Town in October 2009

tinues steadily, as does our partnership and support of Messianic congregation "Beit Y'shua" in Johannesburg.

We are now busy preparing for our current "Light of Life" outreach in the Cape Town area for this December.

We are praying for much fruit and many fruitful conversations, especially with Israelis visiting the Cape region this December!"

Efraim Goldstein's visit

LCJE in Cape Town and Jews for Jesus worked together with Carolina Oberholzer to organize Efraim's visit. Carolina writes:

"I met Efraim and his wife Jeannie in 1999 in Israel, while participating in Israel Outreach, an outreach program to Jewish people run by my congregation in Somerset West. In September 2009, members of Israel Outreach sponsored Efraim to visit South Africa. The ten days of his visit were packed with activities. He was interviewed on two local radio stations, and spoke in churches and the Messianic congregation in Sea Point. One of the highlights of his visit was a one-dav seminar. One hundred and fifty people attended, and were blessed and encouraged by his teaching on 'Israel and the End times.' Referring to Zechariah 13 and 14, he stressed that Israel will be facing hard times. This should, however, compel us to walk in faith, knowing that God is in control. Jesus doesn't give clear answers on everything, but we need to trust God. Efraim also spoke at the Dutch Reformed Church Helderberg and the Baptist Church in Somerset West. The reception at the Baptist Church was particularly good. The church was filled to capacity.

In Johannesburg, Efraim was the guest of Michael and Teresa Sischy (JFJ-SA branch) for two days, where he visited two churches as a guest speaker.

A very successful visit throughout. Efraim wrote afterwards that it was 'a commission – a God-given opportunity' to be able to serve us! A special word of thanks and appreciation also to all members of LCJE who participated in making Efraim's visit such a special and memorable event."

Jewish Evangelism in the 21st Century?

LCJE South Africa is planning a one-day conference for Friday, October 15, 2010, in Cape Town. We decided on Jewish evangelism in the 21st century? as the theme of the conference. We hope that many local people as well as delegates to the LCWE conference, commencing the following day, will attend the conference. Please remember these events in your prayers.

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Annual Report 2009 for LCJE Finland By Juha-Pekka Rissanen, LCJE Coordinator for Finland

LCJE Finland (JUST) organized in 2009 two major events, one in the spring and the other in the autumn.

The spring event took place on April 28th in Helsinki, in the premises of Patmos Foundation for World Missions. It was an evening of prayer in support of the evangelism among the Jews both in Israel and around the world. We heard some news from various countries and prayed for the raised prayer items. The task to present some news from different countries was shared among the members of the working group of LCJE Finland (JUST). Some music was performed, and all the audience also sang together. This event gathered about 25 attendees, which is not a big number compared to previous years.

Another occasion arranged by LCJE Finland (JUST) in 2009 was the traditional "Jesus to Israel" Seminar on October 19th in Helsinki, at the Mission Church of The Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Mission (FELM). The main speaker was Steve Cohen from Apple of His Eye Mission Society in St. Louis, Missouri. Steve brought a strong message of the importance of evangelism among the Jewish people. He stayed in Finland for about 10 days, and visited various congregations and was also interviewed on TV7 Channel.

The other speaker in the seminar was Juha-Pekka Rissanen, having as his topic a general overview of different theologies of Messianic Judaism. The speech was based on an article written by Richard Harvey. In three different workshops some themes were elaborated more profoundly: Steve Cohen on evangelism: Harri Kröger on the guestions of encounter in evangelism situations; and Seppo Räike on prayer. In the evening speeches were given by Steve Cohen and Mika Pouke, who has functioned for several vears as pastor of Shalhevetyah Congregation in Jerusalem. Music was performed in a fascinating manner by the Avadim Choir.



Juha-Pekka Rissanen

LCJE Finland – part of the Evangelical Alliance of Finland

In Finland the congregations and missionary organizations involved in the activities of LCJE have not functioned on a high level in evangelizing the Jews. Several proposals for improvement were given by Steve Cohen during his visit, but there are some contradictions in this field deriving from different cultural backgrounds. In Finland, for example, the use of e-mail addresses for direct missionizing among Jews wouldn't be legal according to our legislation on the rights of privacy.

In November 2009, it was stated officially that LCJE Finland (JUST) is part of the Evangelical Alliance of Finland. Our aim is to clarify and study the principles of evangelism among the Jews and to motivate our people to get active in fulfilling this challenge.

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Annual Report 2009 for Latin America By David Sedaca, LCJE Coordinator for Latin America

I had the opportunity to visit Latin America twice in 2009. In addition to personal visits, I try to keep informed of different events that are taking place in this part of the world. Both times I had the opportunity to get a first hand impression of what is happening among the churches and Jewish ministries in regards to Jewish evangelism. There has been plethora of activity in Argentina and Brazil, and somehow these have influenced Jewish evangelism in other Latin American countries. We must bear in mind that Latin America is varied and diverse, with different languages, ethnicities and cultures.

Argentina maintains its primacy among the Jewish communities in Latin America, and although the number of Jews in Argentina has somehow dwindled, it continues to be the main Jewish community in the Southern Hemisphere. There are about 300,000 Jews living in Argentina, mainly in Buenos Aires, but these figures represent Jewish people who are somewhat related or associated to a Jewish organization. The umbrella organization for all Jewish associations, whether social, political or religious, is AMIA

 "Asociacion de Mutuales Israelitas Argentina" – sadly remembered for the bombing of its headquarters with over 200 deaths, the largest terrorist attack against Jews outside Israel. Their report on the Argentine Jewish Population in based on affiliation, yet the number of Jewish people who are secular and non-affiliated with any Jewish organization is 150,000 to 200,000. Therefore a more realistic estimate will put the Jewish community of Argentina at 500,000. More evangelical churches are interested in supporting Jewish evangelism. In one of my trips I had the opportunity of meeting several evangelical leaders of the main denominations, and they all expressed their desire to be more effective in reaching the Jews for Christ.

A major event

A major event that took place regarding Jewish evangelism was the three day Festival Outreach organized by Jewish Voice Ministries International this past October 29-31 in Cordoba, Argentina's second largest city. It featured Jonathan Bernis, Jewish Voice Ministries' director, musician and worship leader Paul Wilbur, and teachings by Jorge Goldstein, the Argentine representative. The impact of this event wasn't only the number of Jewish people who heard the aospel, but the hundreds of churches that were involved in the program and the awareness it brought to the Christian community of the need to reach the Jews with Messiah's message. A full report and photos of this event can be seen at their website, www. iewishvoice.org. According to the report posted, there were 139,000 invitation fliers distributed by the outreach team on the streets of Cordoba: 12,100 in attendance over the three day conference; and 4,630 people filled out contact cards. Of the over 400 salvations recorded, 61 confirmed that they are Jewish, while many others declined to report their background or religious affiliation. The Bible Institute for Messianic Jewish Studies, sponsored by the same organization in Buenos Aires, continues to prepare people for Jewish evangelism.



David Sedaca

Work in different countries

Chosen People Ministries, the oldest Jewish ministry with an uninterrupted presence in Argentina, continues to grow and expand its ministry not only to other cities in Argentina, but also to neighboring countries, mainly Uruquay, Chile and Paraguay. Messianic Rabbi Ricardo Chemi travels extensively throughout cities like Mar del Plata, Rosario and Mendoza, and even to the southernmost parts of Patagonia and cities like Trelew and Neuguen, all of which have a Jewish community. Chosen People Ministries in Argentina is going through some organizational changes that will enable the work in Argentina to grow with the support of national evangelical churches. A new national board of directors is being set up, with representatives from the major evangelical churches, including Argentine Korean Church and the Argentine Presbyterian Church. This represents a major change, since up to now most support for Jewish missions came from Baptist,

Brethren and CMJ from Great Britain.

Presently we are developing contacts to establish LCJE in Brazil, where there are a number of Jewish missions working in Sao Paolo, Porto Alegre, Curitiba and Rio de Janeiro. We hope that these efforts, being carried out by local evangelical organizations, will result in the formation of a LCJE chapter in Brazil, home to 150,000 Jews.

There are new efforts to bring some united programs in Mexico, especially in Mexico City. In Mexico, with few exceptions, Jewish evangelism in being carried out by evangelical churches and there aren't many Jewish missions established there. I had the opportunity to visit Ecuador, where there is a renewed interest within the evangelical churches to reach the Jewish communities of Ouito and Guayaquil. The Jewish community in Colombia has decreased to under 4,000, and there is very little Jewish outreach except for a number of churches who have strong support for the nation of Israel. But in Venezuela, where the Jewish population is also decreasing, there a growing interest in Jewish evangelism, mainly through the efforts of the two Messianic congregations.

Cuba and Puerto Rico

I ask your prayers as I will be traveling for the first time to Cuba. We know of a vibrant albeit small Jewish community, and many evangelical pastors have asked to visit them to introduce them to the basics of Jewish evangelism. At least eight Passover demonstrations and four seminars have already been scheduled for me, and I have been told that there are Jewish families expecting me to visit them in Cuba. I also plan to visit Puerto Rico, an island state associated to the U.S., where many American Jews have chosen to retire. Join me in praying that the Lord will enable us to encourage Jewish evangelism on these two islands with a rich Jewish heritage. We continue to labor, witnessing to Jewish people and encouraging the Latin American churches to do the same. It's our prayer that LCJE in Latin America will continue promoting the need to have united efforts in reaching the Jews for Christ.

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Annual Report 2009 for LCJE Europe By Jean-Paul Rempp, LCJE Coordinator for Europe

Denmark

DIM in Israel There is not – yet – a specific Danish LCJE network, and therefore no specific LCJE report to give. The Danish Israel Mission (DIM) is involved in LCJE through the international and European conferences, and we took part in the CEO conference in France in May.

As far as our own work is concerned, we have continued and to some extent strenathened our involvement in Israel – both in Jaffo at Immanuel Church and in Jerusalem, where we again have a partnership agreement with Caspari Center. We have also expanded our involvement with the work of the Bible Societies in the country, as well as with Musalaha and the work of reconciliation. In 2009 we sent two families with small children to Israel to be part of our work there.

DIM in Denmark

In Denmark we continue to look for ways in which to involved with Jewish people, mainly in Copenhagen, where a small group of Jews/Israelis and Christians try to meet on a very informal but still regular



Jean-Paul Rempp

basis. It is our hope that a couple of our volunteers can take this informal meeting to the next level within the next year.

News given by Bodil F. Skjøtt, Danish Israel Mission

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England

All Nations Christian College is now in the first year of running its MTh in Messianic Jewish Studies (validated by the Open University), and has four students taking the program, three of them Jewish believers in Jesus and three serving in Jewish ministries. Richard Harvey's book Mapping Messianic Jewish Theology: A Constructive Approach is now published with Paternoster/ Authentic Media.

News given by Richard Harvey, All Nations Christians College

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For Chosen People Ministries (UK), this year has seen us move to a larger facility in London. CPM (UK) has opened a Messianic Centre and is developing outreach and ministry programs for it.

News given by Daniel Nessim, Chosen People Ministries, United Kingdom

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Our missionary team has doubled over the last 18 months to 10 staff. We are encouraged as we are doing more evangelism and meeting more Jewish people in London, and holding Bible studies either individually or in small groups. Our monthly Havurah is a low key evangelistic affair with music and food, and draws 35–50 people each month, slightly more than half being

Jewish folk.

Once again we held a two week training and evangelism program in London during July, with over 30 Jewish and Gentile Christians from all over the world. There was a wonderful team spirit, and for a number of young Christians it was an exciting opportunity to share the gospel with Jewish people in North London. We are now visiting some of the Jewish people met on the streets during that month.

News given by Stephen Pacht, Jews for Jesus, United Kingdom

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France

A training session on the theme "Witnessing about Messiah to the People of Israel" will take place from February 18–20 at the Bible Institute of Nogent-sur-Marne. This session is organized by the following associations:

- Association Le Berger d'Israël

- Témoignage Messianique auprès du Peuple d'Israël (T.M.P.I.)

- Juifs pour Jésus / Jews for Jesus, France

Centre Messianique: Œuvres auprès du Peuple d'Israël
(C.M.O.P.I.) – Chosen People Ministries France.

Jean-Paul Rempp's book Israel, a People, a Faith and a Land, Outline of a Synthesis for Evangelical Christians will soon be published. Please pray that this book, even though not very big, may have a good, edifying impact on the church in France and in French speaking countries.

News given by Jean-Paul

Rempp, Témoignage Chrétien à Israël – TCI / Christian Witness to Israël – CWI, France

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Germany

Beit Sar Shalom currently has 27 people serving with us in 17 cities across Germany. We have started two new Messianic congregations - one in Nuernberg and one in Osnabrueck. God has been blessing these new plants tremendously - over the few months of their existence the congregations grew up from a couple of people in attendance to 60-70 visitors regularly. Most of the visitors are Jewish and a number of the Jewish people already came to Yeshua there.

Around the turn of 2010, we had "Muchan," the first ever international conference of Messianic young adults. It took place in Berlin, and we hosted the conference. It was a huge blessing! About 150 young adults came from around the globe. The program went absolutely perfectly, both spiritually and administratively. Everybody was encouraged, strengthened in the faith, motivated for ministry, matured in love to the Jewish people, etc. It was a privilege for us to be the hosts of this historic conference and for me to teach those who are going to be the future leaders of the Messianic movement and the Jewish outreach worldwide.

Our congregation in Berlin started video-broadcasting the congregational services online in Russian and German, while our congregation in Duesseldorf does this in Russian. It is a unique opportunity to participate in Messianic services either live or in the recorded services in these languages. Many Jews, including even some rabbis and antimissionaries worldwide, are watching our services. We get feedback from all continents and even have some reports about people getting saved.

Last summer we organized a Messianic children's camp in Finland and a youth camp in Germany. We got more involved in the ministry in Russia, and helped in starting at least five new Messianic congregations in the far east of Russia and Siberia in 2009.

News given by Vladimir Pikman, Beit Sar Shalom

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Highlights for 2009 included an extensive street outreach in Frankfurt with a team that consisted of Jewish, German and Arab believers in Jesus. For this reason, we appropriately called it Operation Echad. Other outreaches took place in Berlin, Basel and Zürich. This year also saw the addition of Igor and Katia Shelest to our local missionary staff. Both of them are Jewish believers who were born in the former USSR and immigrated to Germany while still children. We're praying that God will continue to add more and more young missionaryminded Jewish believers like the Shelests to our numbers. As for 2010, we're starting the New Year with special commemoration of Holocaust Remembrance Day, which we'll

observe jointly with Messianic Congregation Beit Hesed and with Jesus-Haus Gemeinde, Düsseldorf. This is a significant day in Germany. It's a day of bitter memories for us Jews and a day of painful regrets for Germans. But rather than mourn the past, we're making this day a day of thanksgiving and prayer. We'll thank the Lord for sparing both the Jewish people and the German people from total destruction, and we'll prav for the salvation of Germans and Jews. In the months ahead, we'll launch Haluzim Europa - a two-week tour for international Jewish believers in Jesus, ranging in age from 16 to 18. They'll travel to London, Berlin and Budapest where they'll combine learning about the Jewish history of each citv with discipleship, fellowship, and evangelism on the streets. And because the city of Essen has been designated the European Cultural Capitol for 2010, we'll concentrate our evangelism very much on the Ruhr Valley (Ruhrgebeit) during the coming year. But at the same time, we'll look to cultivate evangelistic opportunities that seem to be developing further in Austria, Poland and Hungary.

News given by Avi Snyder, Juden für Jesus / Jews for Jesus, Germany

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Norway

Norwegian Church Ministry to Israel (NCMI), established in 1844, celebrated last fall its 60th anniversary in Israel. After serving as missionary to the Jews for 11 years in Romania, Rev. Magne Solheim had a calling for Israel and arrived on the shore of Tel Aviv on November 21, 1949. The anniversary was marked by a gathering at Immanuel Church in Tel Aviv with representatives of organizations, institutions and ministries that the visionary Solheims initiated or were in involved with. We are grateful to see the growth in the congregations at Beit Eliahu, Haifa, and Immanuel Church, Tel Aviv, and the development at the Ebenezer retirement home and Caspari Center for Biblical and Jewish studies.

An important step toward the indigenization of Ebenezer was taken this year with the decision to transfer the authority and responsibility of the operation of the home to a local foundation (amuta).

NCMI has, through 2009, supported and developed our cooperation with partners in Europe.

Through Gisle Johnson Institute we are cooperating with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hungary by networking with local congregations and groups, offering lectures, and distributing theological material about the Jewish roots of the Christian faith and our biblical responsibility to love and share the gospel with the Jewish people.

We are supporting a Norwegian missionary working with Jews for Jesus in Ukraine, and a local Messianic congregation in Bucuresti. In 2009 we also contributed to the publishing of Dr. Risto Santala's book The Midrash of Messiah in Russian. This is a joint project with Apple of His Eye ministry in Russia.

In the last year we have also supported evangelistic outreach among Jewish backpackers in Goa, India, through a rented apartment (Messianic House) and local believers at the beach of Arambol.

The Jewish community in Norway is quite small, among them a minor group of Jewish believers in Jesus. NCMI has good relationship and frequent encounters with Jewish organizations and leaders, especially through the humanitarian aid organization "Help Jews Home," a joint cooperation between Jews and Christians supporting new immigrants in Israel. NCMI is also a member of the Joint Commission for Israel, meeting regularly in the Parliament.

News given by Rolf Heitmann, Norwegian Church Ministry to Israel

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Russia and Ukraine

The branches of "Jews for Jesus" in the CIS (Moscow, Kiev, Odessa, Kharkov and Dnepropetrovsk), together with volunteers from local evangelistic churches, conducted one and two-week street outreaches and visits campaigns (visiting Jewish people at their homes) on Passover, Rosh Hashanah and Hanukkah in 2009. The highlight for 2009 was the presentation on Chagall's art by Jerry Karabesh, which was conducted in Moscow, S. Petersburg, Kiev, Odessa and Kharkov. The Moscow branch, together with local pastors and volunteers, conducted an annual outreach dedicated to Victory Day on May 9 in Victory Park. The Jews for Jesus ministry invited young zealous Jewish believers from Russia and Ukraine to take part in Behold Your God campaigns in Israel. We're going to have missionary training for the new staff in the middle of January 2010. We're praying about having a street outreach during summer 2010 in Moscow. *News given by Igor Barbanel, Jews for Jesus, Russia and Ukraine*

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Annual Report 2009 for LCJE North America By Jim R. Sibley, LCJE Coordinator for North America

Kathy and I just returned from leading a tour to Israel. It was wonderful seeing some of our dear Israeli brothers and sisters, but we also kept running into some from our North American LCJE network, as well! This simply suggests that all of us are praving for, and supporting, the work in Israel. The words of the psalmist come to mind: "May He grant you your heart's desire, and fulfill all your counsel! We will sing for joy over your victory, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners. May the LORD fulfill all your petitions" (Psalm 20:4–5). We pray, as well, for the work of all of the members of the worldwide I CJF network.

Those members with whom I have been in contact over the past several months suggest that the past year has been a fruitful one in North America, though not without difficulty and opposition. Nevertheless, there may be a growing sense of openness and responsiveness with respect to the Gospel of Yeshua. We certainly pray that this will be the case. It appears that there is a renewed sense of unity around a common commitment to overt evangelism. Although there are many good and even



Jim Sibley

necessary components to our ministries, may evangelism always remain our central commitment.

Meeting in Phoenix in 2009

More than one hundred people from Europe, Israel, and from all parts of the United States attended the 26th annual North American LCJE Conference in Phoenix, Arizona, March 2-4, 2009, held at the Crowne Plaza Phoenix Airport Hotel. The theme of the conference was, "Jewish Evangelism—Against All Odds." Among the many outstanding presentations were the following: "Jewish Evangelism in Light of the New Anti-Semitism," by Olivier Melnick; "How Christian is

Christian Zionism?" by David Brickner; "Encouragement Proclamation of the Gospel to the Jewish People," by Barry E. Horner; and "First Thoughts on a MJ Theology: A Theology of Sin," by Rich Robinson. For a listing of all of the papers and speakers and for copies of many of the papers, please check the website: www.lcje. net .

In the business meeting, a resolution, which grew out of the presentation by David Brickner, entitled, "A Resolution on Christian Zionism and Jewish Evangelism," was presented and passed at the conference. It concluded with the following statement: We call on the leading proponents of Christian Zionism today to be transparent with Christians on whether Jewish evangelism is present in their theology. We also call on the evangelical Christian press to provide informative reports on those Christian Zionist organizations, who identify as representatives of evangelical Christianity, vet work to discourage Christians from bringing the gospel to Jewish people. We also call on all those who count themselves as evangelicals to demonstrate their love for the Jewish people by bringing the good news of Yeshua the Mes-



Jim Sibley writes: "Once again, we are emphasizing the participation of our young leadership and are building for the future of LCJE in the next generation."

siah to them.

Again, the full text is available on the LCJE website.

CEO Meeting in France

A number of our members were able to attend the CEO conference in Provence, France this past May. In addition to very helpful discussions of relevant topics, most notable was the spirit of unity that is so beautifully expressed by Psalm 133. Following this meeting, the International Coordinating Council met to plan future international conferences. How thankful we are for the leadership of Kai Kjær-Hansen and Tuvya Zaretsky!

Meeting in Atlanta, 2010

The 27th annual North American LCJE conference is scheduled for the Doubletree Hotel. Atlanta-Buckhead, March 1–3. We have been blessed to find an outstanding venue for the conference that is welllocated with easy access to restaurants, food courts, and shopping. The hotel is located almost next to a light rail (MARTA) stop, which is convenient for those who want to ride the rail from the airport to the hotel. Out theme for the meeting is, "Consider Yeshua," which is taken from Hebrews 3:1, "Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider Yeshua" With discussions concerning

the deity of Yeshua (both here and in Israel); the nature of first century Christology and how it is presented to the Jewish community; and with Him at the center of our faith and our message, we believe this topic gives ample flexibility for an interesting program.

We are also anticipating an opportunity to hear from our special quest, Dr. David Allen, the Dean of the School of Theology of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, the largest seminary in North America. Two of his books are to be published this summer: a comprehensive commentary on the Epistle to the Hebrews and a monograph on the authorship and background issues of the epistle. Obviously, his work is of interest (and relevant) to Jewish ministry.

Once again, we are emphasizing the participation of our young leadership and are building for the future of LCJE in the next generation. Please pray for us that as we "consider Yeshua," we might be united and encouraged to take the words of life to the people of Israel.

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THE LAUSANNE CONSULTATION ON JEWISH EVANGELISM Financial Statements (Danish Crowns) Year Ended 31 December 2009

Statements of income and expenses for 2009

Income Dues (paid in 2009) 157,476.63 Interest 3,387.68 CEO 2009 Conference 140,179.06 Subscription, booklets, photocopies 3,351.51 TOTAL INCOME 304,394.88 **Expenses** Reimbursement for administration (80,000.00)Travel, accommodation and ICC meeting (34,694.26) Postage (26,061.37)Bulletin, printing (33, 432.89)(13,991.35) Stationery and equipment CEO 2009 Conference (118, 419.99)Web-site (6, 674.34)TOTAL EXPENSES (313, 274.20)LOSS FOR THE YEAR 2009 (8,879.32)

Balance Sheet at 31 December 2009

Assets

| International Conference 2011 | 4,162.00 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Cash at bank | 252,723.00 |
| ASSETS IN TOTAL | 256,885.00 |
| Equity and Liabilities | |
| Equity | |
| At 1 January 2009 | 253,945.48 |
| Loss for the year 2009 | (8,879.32) |
| | 245,066.16 |
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| Liabilities | |
| International Conference | 4,444.12 |
| US Account, Caspari | 7,374.72 |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES IN TOTAL | 256,885.00 |
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| Lystrup, Denmark, 4 February 2010 | |

Kai Kjær-Hansen Treasurer/International Coordinator

Independent auditor's review report

To the members of The Lausanne Consultation on Jewish Evangelism

We have reviewed the financial statements of The Lausanne Consultation on Jewish Evangelism for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2009. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

The financial statements are the responsibility of the Treasurer/International Coordinator. Our responsibility is to issue a report on the financial statements based on our review.

Scope of review

We conducted our review in accordance with the Danish Standard on Review Engagements, RS 2400, "Engagements to Review Financial Statements". This Standard requires that we plan and perform the review to obtain limited assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of organisation personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. We have not performed an audit and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on the financial statements.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not give a true and fair view of the Organisation's financial position at 31-12-2009 and of its financial performance for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2009 in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

Aarhus, 4 February 2010

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New Covenant Forum, Toronto, Canada By Daniel Richard Muller, General Director

New Covenant Forum is Canada's oldest continuing ministry in the Jewish community. Established in 1894 as the Toronto Jewish Mission, the founding ethos of New Covenant Forum is to carry on a "quiet, aggressive mission work" of evangelism and discipleship within the Jewish community of Toronto, the rest of Canada, and beyond. To date, the community within Toronto has been our biggest focus. This ethos still quides our ministry today, although its seemingly paradoxical mandate is something that the ministry has always struggled to come to terms with.

History

New Covenant Forum's history has its roots in the missionary work of two Jewish believers. Jacob Freshman came to visit Toronto in 1888. His father, Karl, was a Hungarian Jew who came to Quebec City to lead the Orthodox synagogue there, and subsequently came to faith in Messiah Yeshua. Jacob's visit was instrumental in the formation of a ladies' praver group dedicated to the start of a Toronto work. The Women's Auxiliary continues to meet regularly to this day to pray for the ministry.

In February 1894, Henry Warszawiak came to Toronto



Daniel Richard Muller

to speak at an international missionary conference at which he met with a large number of interested people. At the end of that conference, and greatly due to his influence, a committee was put together to meet and discuss the possibility of starting a missionary work in Toronto. They met in the YMCA library on February 22, and the Toronto Jewish Mission was born.

Although they had a ministry, they did not have a leader/director until a year later. He was Henry Singer, a Jewish man who came to faith at an evangelistic street meeting in Boston. The ministry has had both Jewish and Gentile directors over its history. After Henry Singer, Jewish directors include Isaac Finestone, Ernst Loewy, and the newly installed director, Daniel Muller.

From its earliest years, the focus of New Covenant Forum has been one of proclamation. Though it has had its periods of helps ministry, its primary task has been one of getting the Good News out to the Jewish community.

Today

Today, New Covenant Forum's focus is to seek opportunities to proclaim the gospel in an impactful way to the Jewish community and to find inroads into the community for that purpose. We do not plant congregations, but rather seek contact with Jewish people open to hearing the message. We then encourage new believers to join local, gospel-preaching, Bible-based congregations, and to remain connected to their Jewish roots and culture.

Our evangelistic work includes involvement in the Jewish community, personal one-on-one evangelism, literature distribution including the free distribution of Bibles in numerous languages, group Bible studies, and an evangelistic website which is currently under reconstruction. We are always looking for new ways to make an impact for the gospel within the Jewish community, and we seek partnerships both with congregations and with other ministries that will help us fulfill our mandate to reach the Jewish people. We currently are in partnership with HaGefen Publishing in Israel to help raise funds in Canada for their publishing project, the Modern Hebrew Illustrated Children's Bible.



Henry Singer, the first director, evangelizing in the Jewish area of Toronto called the Ward, circa 1913. We also have a ministry to the body of Messiah, as we meet in many congregations in order to teach on the Jewish roots of the Christian faith, encourage Christians in Jewish evangelism, promote prayer for the Jewish community, and oppose anti-Semitism wherever it appears. The new website will also offer assistance to believers, both Jewish and Gentile, for these purposes.

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LCJE Meetings

LCJE North America

1-3 March 2010, in Atlanta 28-30 March 2011, in St. Louis 5-7 March 2012, in San Diego Contact Jim Sibley jimsibley@pascheinstitute.org

LCJE South Africa

15 October 2010 in Cape Town, South Africa Contact Cecilia Burger simcha@mweb.co.za

LCJE Europe

19-23 April 2010 in Krakow, Poland 22 April after lunch: Optional tour to Auschwitz and Schindler's Fabrik, and extra night in Krakow (22 to 23 April) Contact Jean-Paul Rempp jpnremppbn@wanadoo.fr

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