## Resources for your church

When you choose to host a Blessing Israel® Sunday, we equip you with all the materials you need to conduct your event, including videos, sermon materials, Scripture verses, and donation forms. All of these materials, and more, can be found at www.ifcj.org/resources. If you prefer, we can mail copies to you.



### PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

To help get the word out to your congregation about Blessing Israel® Sunday, we have a special video for you to share on social media leading up to your event. We will also provide a PowerPoint slide if that is your preferred method of promoting events.



### **SUNDAY SERMON**

In your Blessing Israel® Sunday kit, we provide sermon outlines to support you crafting your own sermon, but we will also provide you with an audio-visual sermon with a new theme each year. Fellowship pastors, along with other guest speakers, bring God's Word to you.



### **IN-SERVICE MATERIALS**

To support the sermon and allow your congregants to dig deeper into the message, we provide handouts for your service, giving them the opportunity to send their prayers to the Western Wall.

## Ways to bless Israel

*Once you have conducted your Blessing Israel*<sup>®</sup> *Sunday, you can collect contributions in the following ways:* 



#### Give in Person

You can pass the offering plate at the conclusion of the event and collect donations at that time. A donation slip and return envelope have been provided for your convenience to return a single check to The Fellowship.



### **Give Online:**

To make your contribution online please visit www.ifcj.org/Bldonate or scan the QR code.





## Together, we can answer God's clarion call to bless the people of Israel and fulfill biblical prophecy.

Blessing Israel is a great event that provides us with a practical and tangible way to help and bless the Jewish people.

PASTOR CINDY ORTIZ, CV MIAMI

We are so thankful that the Lord showed us to be a part of Blessing Israel! He is faithful to fulfill His Promises! We have been richly blessed and are honored to stand in prayer for Israel.

PASTOR TED CURRINGTON
WEST TEXAS CHURCH AT THE BARN

The Fellowship and its event Blessing Israel has brought many blessings to our Brazilian evangelical community in the USA.

DR. NEY SILVA LADEIA, PRESIDENT OF BRAZILIAN BAPTIST CHURCHES IN NORTH AMERICA

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# Blessing Israel®

PASTOR'S GUIDE





## Thank you for blessing Israel!

By hosting a Blessing Israel<sup>®</sup> Sunday with The Fellowship and hundreds of other churches across America, you are choosing to participate in the ancient promises of God and actively fulfill biblical prophecy.

For over 40 years, The Fellowship, and our partners, have listened to the divine calling of God and obeyed His Word. We believe He is moving like never before. Ancient biblical prophecies are coming to pass. While the world sees a dramatic rise in anti-Semitism, God's faithful feel the renewed stirring within the Christian community to stand for Israel. And those who have ears know God is calling His children.

We've designed this very special time to enrich your congregation and to encourage them to draw closer to God in a way they may not have experienced before. Indeed, Blessing Israel® provides an opportunity for your church family to see Israel from both a biblical and humanitarian perspective, and to realize they can do something tangible to support God's chosen people. By joining in this national event, your church will participate in the literal fulfillment of God's prophecies (Ezekiel 11:17), feel more connected to God, and walk out His caring heart for those less fortunate (Isaiah 58:6-7).

Today, we invite you into fellowship, building bridges between Christians and Jews.

With blessings from the Holy Land,

yael Eckstein, President & CEO



## You are fulfilling prophecy by blessing Israel

When you partner with The Fellowship, we fulfill the promises of Scripture regarding God's chosen people together. Our ministries fall under three broad categories, and your church may choose to support any cause, or where the need is currently greatest.

### Poverty programs

The prophet Isaiah clearly outlined the expectation God had for His followers: "Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter – when you see the naked, to clothe them..." (Isaiah 58:7). Every time you enable us to take food to a Holocaust survivor, protect the elderly from the bitter cold, distribute grocery cards to impoverished families, or show compassion to the lonely, you do so in the name of God.



Over 1 million
impoverished children of
God receive food, medical
attention, warm clothing, and
companionship each year
through our poverty programs



### Each food box

costs just \$25 to help feed a family for one ENTIRE month



Over 770,000
scattered Jews have
fulfilled biblical prophecy
by returning home
with The Fellowship

Security programs

The persecution the Jews have experienced for centuries, and continue to endure, has spiritual roots. The enemy they face is not mere flesh and blood,

but a greater power hell-bent on destroying God's people. And yet, God has

preordained a different future. In Amos 9:14, the prophet declared, "I [your God]

will bring my people Israel back from exile. They will rebuild the ruined cities and

live in them." In partnership with The Fellowship, we bring these words to pass

by installing bomb shelters, fortifying hospitals, delivering security equipment,

supporting IDF soldiers, and keeping the most vulnerable Jews safe from harm.

### Aliyah programs

In Ezekiel 11:17, God promised, "I will gather you from the nations and bring you back... again." Together, we offer aliyah to Jews fleeing anti-Semitism and war, or simply hearing the call to return home. We believe God is calling His children to complete the mission and fulfill biblical prophecy.



In the last 40 years, olim have made aliyah from over 48 countries



Over 800,000
at-risk Jews around the
world are safer each year
because of The Fellowship's
security programs

### Please consider Blessing Israel today

- Blessing Israel® provides your church with the opportunity to help us deliver food boxes to Holocaust survivors, elderly, and families.
- Each food box costs just \$25 to help feed a family for one ENTIRE month. This means that instead of going out to dinner for one night, you could give a gift of \$25 to help a family in desperate need.

We hope your church will consider raising the funds to deliver **60 food boxes** to Jewish people in need, which would feed **FIVE families for one entire year**, and would be a \$1,500 gift in total.

# Blessing Israel is rooted in Scripture

Genesis 12:3 "I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Isaiah 58:7 "Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter – when you see the naked, to clothe them."

Psalm 102:13 "You will arise and have compassion on Zion, for it is time to show favor to her; the appointed time has come."

Psalm 122:6 "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: 'May those who love you be secure.'"

Psalm 71:9 "Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone."

Matthew 25:40 "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

