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BLESSING ISRAEL

Dearest Pastor,

I'm so grateful that you've chosen to take part in The Fellowship's **Blessing Israel** event. It's my prayer that **Blessing Israel** will give you the meaningful tools to inform and inspire your congregation about the significance of their Jewish roots. It will also inspire them into action to meet the physical needs of Jewish people throughout the world.

I'm mindful that Jesus taught in Mark 12:31 to "*love your neighbor as yourself.*" This is particularly critical when it comes to the people of Israel — as the Jews are not only our neighbors, but their biblical history is tied to our very own faith!

Our Jewish neighbors desperately need food, comfort and shelter. This engaging presentation will pierce the hearts of your congregation and move them to answer God's call in 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.*"

The enclosed Pastors Guide has been specially prepared to help prepare for and conduct your very own **Blessing Israel** event. The Guide includes:

- Special Scripture verses to help your congregants understand the importance of supporting the people of Israel even as God commanded
- Video links that will encourage congregant participation for you to share on social media in the lead up to the event
- Dynamic video sermon featuring Pastor Roger Cheeks for you to show during your event if needed
- Minute-by-minute sample **Blessing Israel** church service timeline to help you plan
- A postage-paid offering return envelope to reduce your administrative efforts. I trust you'll find the Guide helpful as you plan for your congregational event.

Thank you for joining us in this global effort to support God's people as He has commanded!

Yael Eckstein
President and CEO



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BLESSING ISRAEL 2022 SAMPLE TIMELINE

Below are the suggested timelines so you can plan your program for the **Blessing Israel** event.

1 Hour Service

9:30 AM Sound Check
9:50 AM Doors Open
10:00 AM Welcome / Prayer
10:05 AM Praise / Worship
10:30 AM Announcements
10:35 AM Video Presentation
10:40 AM Speaker / Sermon
10:55 AM Israel Special Offering
11:00 AM Closing Prayer

1.5 Hour Service

9:30 AM Sound Check
9:50 AM Doors Open
10:00 AM Welcome / Prayer
10:15 AM Praise / Worship
10:45 AM Announcements
10:55 AM Video Presentation
11:00 AM Speaker / Sermon
11:25 AM Israel Special Offering
11:30 AM Closing Prayer