

2023
Annual REPORT




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MAKING BELIEVERS **STRONG** IN ISRAEL

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THE
MAOZ ISRAEL *Team*

The **Maoz Israel** leadership – Ari and Shira, their daughter Shani and son-in-law Kobi and their five children make up three generations of Israelis living and ministering in Israel.



The all-Israeli **Maoz** team is made up of almost 20 staff members. They serve in every area from spiritual discipling, to humanitarian aid, to leading worship, to publishing Bibles and books.



MAOZISRAEL
Outreach

A NETWORK OF
OVER 100
Congregations

Strengthening believers from our network of over 100 congregations of Jews and Arabs across Israel. Over the years, Maoz leadership has founded, as well as strongly supported young congregations across the country.

Among them is **Tiferet Yeshua Congregation** (founded by Ari and Shira in 1995 and now pastored by Gil Afriat) and **Beresheet (Genesis) Congregation**, pastored by David Safafa. Beresheet continues to grow, though due to its young membership many were called up to serve in the war as active reserve soldiers.



MAOZ ISRAEL
Outreach

Caring

FOR THE **LEAST OF THESE**

The **Maoz** team travels to different locations around Israel to demonstrate the love of God to at-risk and orphaned children. We wish we could show how their faces light up each time we return (but as they are minors we can't). It's amazing what a little quality time can do to the heart of a child who doesn't receive it from home.

We have continued our care for these children and even discovered some hidden musical talents among them.



MAOZ ISRAEL
Outreach

Sports & LEADERSHIP CAMP

We know children have gifts. The question is, how will they use those gifts in their lifetime? In all likelihood, the ones who invest in those gifts are most likely to enjoy the fruit as the children grow into adulthood. **That is why Maoz believes the Sports and Leadership camp is important for the development of these gifts for the Kingdom of Heaven.**

The camp is strategic in that it is geared for younger children but is run by teenage believers together with adult coaches. As the camp has been running for years, this means **young children can be trained** year after year and then **return as teens to pass on their passion** and skills to the newest children on the block.

This year **Maoz Publishing** completed *The Action Bible*, and gave a copy to each child who participated. This comic book style rendition of the **Bible in Hebrew** has been a smashing hit **among kids and teens alike.**



Publishing

Publishing books is part of our DNA!

It is a core value of ours—to create a growing collection of significant books and life-changing literature for spiritual growth in the Hebrew language and culture. We have published over 160 books for the ever-growing number of Israeli seekers, offering them the opportunity to understand the Word of God and sow deep roots into their faith.

JUST PRINTED IN 2023



The Action Bible by Doug Mauss and Sergio Cariello

The Action Bible, the children's book of covenants, includes over 230 illustrated stories, which are presented in chronological order to make it easier for readers to follow the fascinating historical record, as well as to heighten the tension towards the dramatic climax of God's story of redemption. The fascinating stories are accompanied by the most beautiful and moving illustrations ever included in one book.



God's Perfect Plan by Ari Sorko-Ram

This central book is about God's covenants with Abraham, Moses and Yeshua. Discover how God's word directs people to Yeshua, the one and only true Messiah since the dawn of history.



Feel the Power by Jon Pritkin

You are unique. You have a purpose. You deserve happiness. You deserve to have the life you've always wanted. Jon Pritikin wrote this book because he desperately wants to help others discover opportunities in life like he did.

BOOKS IN PROCESS



Left to right: *The Mark of the Lion Trilogy* by Francine Rivers, *The Besora through Jewish Eyes* by Geoffrey Cohen



It's hard to grasp the significance of the many things happening in modern Israel when you don't live there. That's why for over forty years, we have published a monthly newsletter called the **Maoz Israel Report** that offers spiritual, political and social insight into Israel from the perspective of local Israelis.

And for the constantly changing news—we sent out the **Weekly News and Prayer Update** so believers around the world can pray with understanding.



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MAOZ ISRAEL *Music*



Worship through music is one of the strongest and most powerful avenues we have to reach the lost sheep of Israel. It is the international language that gives glory to God! For this generation, many youth can be reached with the Good News through music in a way that nothing else can. **Maoz Israel Music** uses its 3000 sq. ft. recording studio in Jerusalem—the City of Worship—to produce worship music in Hebrew, English and Arabic.



New Worship Music Releases

Through **Integrity Music**, its distributor, **Maoz Israel Music** releases a new song every other Friday!





MAOZ ISRAEL
Music

Music

MAKING FOR KIDS

Israel's Children Becoming Worshippers

Thirteen years ago, we began a program to train Messianic children to be worship leaders. **"Music Making for Kids"** has surpassed our wildest dreams. The program enrolls children with high motivation and talent from ages approximately 7-18, until army service.

We have about 60 children enrolled across the country. Many of our graduates are now writing worship songs, playing in orchestras, and the State is sending some abroad to represent Israel. It is incredible to see these kids grow into worshippers who bring the presence of God into their congregations.





Israel **UNDER ATTACK!**

Since Israel's rebirth in 1948, there is no one event that changed the face of our nation more than the events of October 7th. The nature of the cruelty, the surprise attack and the continued unknown status of hundreds of hostages and missing persons have left an entire nation in shock.

But we are not a nation that lies down in trials. Hundreds of thousands of men and women have left their civilian life to answer the call as reserve soldiers and returned to their roles in the IDF. Many left behind businesses they had just opened, wives with babies on the way and other complex life situations. There is much to be discussed about how our enemy was so successful in their attacks, but first we must clean up the remains from the ashes and fight to survive.



EMERGENCY
War Relief

ISRAELNEEDSME.COM *Launched*

This isn't just another military operation. We're at war!

The massive evacuation of Israelis and the call up of hundreds of thousands of soldiers put incredible strain on the system and on families.

We are on the ground able to reach those in need. We've brought food and supplies to soldiers and their families all over the country.

As field workers have fled the area, our team has harvested among thousands of other Israelis near the border of Gaza to save the crops. We also have volunteer opportunities to help local kibbutzim (villages) near the Gaza border.



MAOZ ISRAEL
Aid

OVER \$10 MILLION *Distributed!*

It seems every year has its own unique flavor when it comes to how **I Stand with Israel** disperses its funds. Of course, the best thing about how Maoz' benevolence fund is set up is that we adapt to the needs on the ground in Israel and around the world.

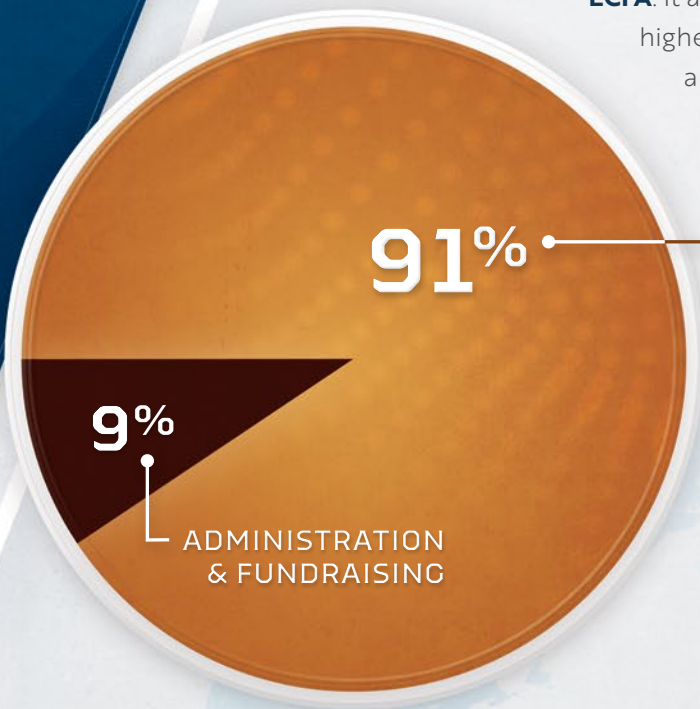
This year took a dramatic turn when the war broke out and our **Israel Needs Me** campaign focused on war-relief efforts for the hundreds of thousands of soldiers, their families and evacuees.

And still, with record generosity from our partners we continued to care for the every day crisis in the lives of both Jewish and Arab Israelis from over 100 congregations across the country.

FINANCIAL *Report*

We hold our stewardship before the Lord with great reverence and we take your partnership with us seriously.

Financial integrity, accountability and transparency are the reason year after year **Maoz Israel** continues to be an approved member of the **ECFA**. It also continues to be awarded the **Platinum Seal** – the highest rating offered by **Candid**® (formerly GuideStar), and the highest four-star rating by **Charity Navigator**.



MINISTRY PROGRAMS & OUTREACH

\$4,189,640

TOTAL INCOME

\$3,419,922

MINISTRY PROGRAMS & OUTREACH

\$376,617

ADMINISTRATION & FUNDRAISING



CHARITY NAVIGATOR
★★★★ Four Star Charity

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