

Shalom dear donors and friends of the Olim Fund of the Land of Israel,

Your Board had a particularly satisfying three hour meeting last evening in that we were able to distribute more than \$12,000 among 16 different recipients who were undergoing a great variety of extremely difficult survival level struggles here in the Land of their biblical inheritance. Our monthly report is attached.

I never cease to be encouraged by the ever growing number of new immigrants coming home to the Land. Most of these dear ones struggle for a time, but then by the grace of God, somehow manage to learn our very difficult Hebrew language, find a satisfying job that meets their needs, and then, often after a trial of many years, finally begin to prosper.

Others are not so fortunate. Take for example the couple in their early 40's who came here less than a year ago from the former Soviet Union. They had some small savings to help them get started, and very high hopes and expectations. Sadly, these were dashed when the head of the family was diagnosed with cancer while they were still in the aliyah process. This being the case, they were unable to join a clinic and thus had no means of receiving government assistance. He is now terminally ill, and they are about to lose their only source of income, a small stipend of \$610 from the Ministry of Absorption that doesn't even begin to cover their many uncovered basic survival and high medical expenses. Their savings are now gone, and as they wait for his imminent death, the Olim Fund was able to intervene in some small way by covering their most immediate and urgent expenses.

This terribly sad situation is, thankfully, not typical of those many other "happy ending" stories that you dear ones have had such meaningful and restoring hands in resolving. I only emphasize this particular family tragedy to illustrate just how deep and wide your outreach has become. Your Fund now has representatives in more than 30 cities from one end of the country to the other. We are actively working to expand our contact base and to establish other cooperating dental clinics beyond the three which are already working with us for greatly reduced prices.

And yes, as our outreach grows, so does the need for an ever increasing donor base. It is you dear ones who are making this happen and it is to you that I, our Board, our representatives and so much more, those many thousands of Jewish immigrants who are hurting that you have already helped and those many, many others who you will be helping in the future.

On behalf of us all, but especially on behalf of them, our heartfelt thanks for your continuing faithful outreach and your sweet, lovingly offered helping hands.

With God's richest blessings,
Bob Fischer

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Monthly distributions for August, 2007

Family Size	Location	Monthly Income	Overview of Situation Funded	Gift
3	Kiriat Shmona	\$707	The head of the family is seriously ill with Hepatitis C. He will require treatment with very expensive medications that are not in the national "basket" and so they will have to pay for them personally which is entirely beyond their means. This gift will cover the first three months of this urgent need.	\$487
3	Kiriat Shmona	\$1,292	This mother of three young children was abandoned by her husband who fled the country and is now seeking a divorce. Her full time salary does not stretch far enough to provide urgently needed dental care. This fit will provide the most urgently needed care to relieve her constant pain.	\$732
1	Kiriat Shmona	\$511	This recent widow stood by her late husband's side until he finally succumbed to cancer. As a desperation effort they tried a brand new very expensive course of treatment that sadly did not work. Being that this medication is not covered by her national insurance she must pay for it personally, a virtual impossibility given her now very small stipend. This gift will resolve this issue.	\$732
4	Beer Sheva	\$515	This mother of three, the youngest being new born, is being divorced by her husband who is providing her with no support. She is unable to pay for school tuition and supplies for the two oldest children and is struggling to provide even the bare essentials of food and clothing for her family. This gift will cover the school expenses and provide some food.	\$683
7	Nazareth Illit	\$878	This young mother of five children urgently requires extensive dental care to relieve her constant pain. This gift will provide for the most immediate of these several needs.	\$732
2	Haifa	\$610	This couple in their mid 40's has been in the Land for less than one year. Immediately after their arrival, he was diagnosed with cancer that is now in	\$1,390

			its final stages. Because of the timing of their arrival and his diagnosis, they are unable to join any clinic and thus are only receiving a small stipend from the Ministry of Absorption which is also about to run out. They are overwhelmed with unpaid bills and are literally not surviving while they await his impending death. This gift will cover the most urgent of their rent, food, utility and his medical bills.	
2	Haifa	\$244	This young couple is attempting to surviving on her part time income a hose cleaner since he suddenly developed sever asthma and is no longer able to work as an expert welder. He is currently trying to find some other job and in the meantime they are unable to pay for even the most basic survival expenses.	\$732
1	Tiberias	nil	This 60 year old woman was recently divorced in her native country and has now returned to Israel to try and make a new start. She is currently relieving no government support which will not begin for at least another two months. In the meantime she has the basic human survival needs and no way to satisfy them.	\$488
3	Hadera	nil	This couple in their 40's both lost their jobs at the same time. Worse still, neither is eligible for unemployment assistance. Now, as they struggle to find new employment they are faced with an impending eviction from their apartment for non-payment of rent and their utilities are about to be terminated.	\$732
7	Hadera	\$1,634	This family with five young children is unable to pay for current school tuition and other school related expenses for their three school age children. They are also struggling to put adequate food on the table	\$854
4	Afula	\$683	This medical doctor and his nurse wife and two young children from Russia are about to undergoing retraining in order to qualify to practice in Israel. In order to do so they must move from Afula to Hadera where this retraining is available. This gift will cover moving expenses and a part of her retraining tuition.	\$805
1	Ashdod	\$854	This single woman lost her job and is now undergoing retraining for a new more employable profession. She will soon graduate and has a job awaiting her but in the meantime has been unable to pay her rent and utilities. She	\$732

			also still must pay for part of her cost of retraining.	
2	Beer Sheva	\$1,444	This 45 year old man is a 100% invalid. He is also near totally deaf. This gift will provide him with a hearing aid that is not otherwise available from any other source.	\$976
1	Haifa	\$450	This divorced woman living on a small stipend from the government underwent two root canal procedures, both of which were botched by the "lowest bib" dentist. She must now undergo a corrective procedure by a specialist. She has no means to pay for this care.	\$732
8	Ma'alot	\$927	This divorced mother of 7 young children survives on government assistance with no support from her former husband. She is not able to pay for school tuition and other related school expenses from her minimum stipend. This gift will cover these currently owed expenses.	\$732
1	Haifa	\$317	This single 48 year old new immigrant from Canada is a diabetic who has applied for assistance by the government. The agency concerned lost her application along with the original documentation needed for approval. As the mess is being sorted out she has fallen behind in her rent and other basic survival needs including her medications.	\$707
			Total Monthly distributions	\$12,246