Tuesday, May 01, 2007

Shalom Dear Donors and Friends of the Olim Fund of the Land of Israel,

I am both greatly honored and delighted to forward that attached monthly report to you while offering my most sincere, heartfelt thanks for your continued faithful assistance to our hurting immigrant families who have fallen on hard times in this, the land of their biblical inheritance.

While the Israeli economy is booming, our government's social welfare programs have fallen way behind the required pace to meet the needs of many immigrant families who struggle to transition into their new lives in what to many has become a chronically hostile environment of unemployment and bare survival. Eviction, utility termination, unresolved dental pain and a host of other living nightmares had sadly become a way of life for many whom you have already rescued and so greatly blessed through this outreach. Even so, the need continues to grow as we continue to pray for all of those who are hurting and all of you who have shown your willing and caring hearts.

I want you all to know how very much your outreach to these people has accomplished and what a very real difference you have made in the lives of many who have now gotten their feet back on the ground as a result of your loving generosity.

Thank you all so very, very much for what you have done and what you are doing on behalf of these dear ones.

With love and many blessings,

Bob Fischer Founder and Managing Director The Olim Fund of the Land of Israel

## **Olim Fund of the Land of Israel**

## Monthly distributions for March, 2007

Family Size	Location	Monthly Income	Overview of Situation Funded	Gift
8	Porriyya	\$800	The 15 year old daughter of this family with six children is undergoing chemotherapy for Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a form of cancer. This situation had imposed extreme hardship upon all members of the family and has stretched their limited financial means to the breaking point. This gift is to help pay for their share of the medical expenses, an expensive wig, and a variety of other related expenses. Since the mother of this family is a member of our Board of Directors, funding for this gift came from a special appeal separate from our regular donor base. It is included here as a means to inform you all and to thank you for your generosity in this matter.	\$1,745
4	Katzrin	\$1,035	This divorced mother with two children at home and one in the military is struggling to make ends meet while her son, who was her main support, is in the IDF. The IDF is in the process of enabling him to continue working part time in order to provide the family with survival level requirements. This gift is to cover the transition period until this part time income begins to flow.	\$520
3	Haifa	\$1,005	This divorced couple has recently gotten back together and is living as a family with their teenage son. Even so, his salary is insufficient to cover all basic expenses and even to renormalize their marriage relationship. This gift is to cover School tuition for their son and to provide food for the family.	\$611

			This family of two is about to add a third. The mother is a graduate student	
3	Haifa	\$1,209	at Technion University who will finish her education as soon as possible	\$436
		, ,	after the baby in born. Her husband's salary as a welder is insufficient to	,
			cover his wife's school expenses and at the same time meet the family's	
			basic needs. This gift is to cover long overdue utility bills and to provide	
			food and some limited clothing.	
			This divorced mother with an eleven year old is operating a hair salon in	
2	Maharajah	\$948	her bomb shelter basement. The start appearance of this locale is keeping	\$623
	-		customers away. This gift is to paint the "shop" add better lighting and to	
			otherwise make it more attractive and at the same time preserve its primary	
			function in the event of future hostilities.	
			This young widow has been in medically treated severe depression since	
1	Maharajah	\$499	her husband died of brain cancer five years ago. She has been officially	\$748
			declared an invalid but even so is unable to pay for her minimum survival,	
			including expensive medications which are not provided by the	
			government. This gift is to help cover these medical expenses.	
			This young family was doing well until its head recently lost his well paid	
4	Kiriat Onno	\$1,696	high tech job. They are struggling to avoid eviction from their current	\$997
			apartment while he scrambles to find a new job. This gift is to help them	
			through this valley by paying one month's rent and utilities.	
			The head of the family underwent spinal surgery and has been partly	
2	Karmiel	\$549	paralyzed and unable to work for three months. They are living with their	\$922
			adult children but still must cover half of the extended family's living	
			expenses which are stretched to the limit. The bank is currently threatening	
			foreclosure on their apartment. This gift is for one moth's mortgage	
			payment and for food.	

3	Nazareth Illit	\$1,496	This young widow with two sons living at home is struggling to keep her family together after her husband's death from cancer. One of her sons is 100% disabled and paralyzed from the waist down. The government is willing to provide him with a motorized wheelchair but first he must go through expensive training for a driver's license which in Israel is a major	\$948
			financial stumbling block for many. This gift is to over this required driver training.	
1	Jerusalem	\$1,594	This 68 year old divorced woman recently underwent replacement surgery for both of her knees. Because of a preexisting condition in both of her legs she is still unable to walk without extreme pain and will likely have little future improvement of her condition. She is in constant pain, even while sitting and urgently needs a uniquely crafted orthopedic chair made to her measurements which will enable her to sit pain free.	\$998
			Total monthly distributions	\$8,548