

December 2020 Newsletter

Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ :

Let me start by wishing you at this holiday season a Happy thanks giving, Merry Christmas and happy new year, I know that was not the way you want to celebrate these holiday seasons , but there is nothing we can do about it, let us thank god that we all are well and alive until today, we all know that this year was a surprise year for all of us in many ways , we are not used to this kind of living , it is hard and most of us feels depressed and worried, praying and hoping that this will come to its end.

This year we have on thanks giving night 35 people at the church , singing and praising and thanking God for his blessings, I asked brother Neal Marjia to speak in that occasion , Neal is a C.P.A in his job and he is noun among the people of Nazareth, and he done an excellent job using Luke 17:11-19, and it came to pass that our elder brother and sister Emil and Lamia Zaher had their birthday both of them on the 26th of November, and we saw that was a great opportunity to thank them for their love and support for the church , I spoke words of appreciation for both and gave them a symbol as present , and that cause them to pray , God had his plan to put this elder man in our midst , without him it will be hard for the church to minister and to meat it obligations to the authorities , we had a great night together .

As you know also that this year 2020 had limited our continuity in going forward in our plans as we set them in the beginning of this year, but the most astonishing thing is , that this year we so growth in all areas , attendance even was prohibited we had more than usual in both meetings Wednesday bible studies and Sunday worship services,also one unusual and hard baptism , that took us one hour driving around the galilee lack just to find a spot for baptism, we also met a lot of new faces coming from different church's , some of them stayed and some left , so we had something to thank God for it in the corona era .

From the building and property news , we are proud that we completed all that we planned to do , and the corona gave us (all the members) enough time to put our hands together and finished the parking lot, the new kitchen behind the building , the electricity power , the water system, painting , yards with concrete ,

the church looks different and beautiful with its lights , that everyone who came said , we never saw a beautiful place like this in all Nazareth, and the same words said about our people when those who came to attend our services , there is an old man 84 years old , who attends our Wednesday bible studies , he was a civil engineer and a lecturer at the Technion in Haifa , and a baptise board of trustees , said in front of all who gathered for thanksgiving night that he attended many congregations in Nazareth, but I must tell you that I did not find in all of them such love binding , a spirit of giving , a great commitment from the brethren here, also he said something about the minister and his wife in a special way that I do not want to write them in this newsletter , that is a true and great testimony from people outside the church , and we thank God for it.

Worshiping and living without visitors from outside makes our lives hard and depressed , we are used to see visitors , and listen to a guest speakers throughout the year , our last guest speaker was Jeff Jenkins in last march, and we pray that next year 2021 will be opened for visitors, we miss going back to normal life , we all are doing fine and we continue our mission with your support that is needed at this time especially , please continue to pray for , we remember you in our prayers, looking forward to meet some of you when the skies opened .

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