

KATULKA NEWSLETTER

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Our ORIGINS young adult team landed in Tel Aviv to begin serving their mission in Israel, but as soon as they landed the 12-day war with Iran began. This photo captures them in a bomb shelter in the early hours of the morning—a powerful reminder of both the challenges and courage that come with serving in the Land. The team's dependence on the Lord grew as they spent most of their trip hiding in bomb shelters for safety.



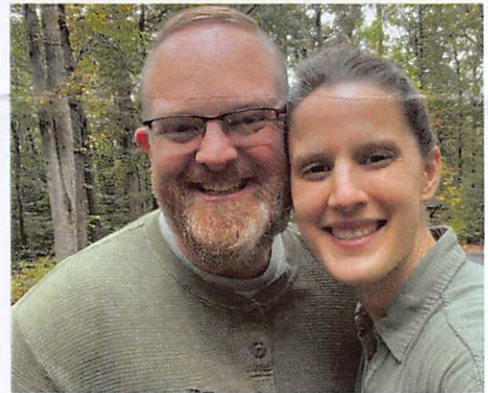
In spite of daily ballistic missiles launched from Tehran, the ORIGINS team chose to serve the Israeli people with courage and compassion. They made an impact by volunteering at Kaplan Medical Center.



Jordan Sutter, one of our courageous ORIGINS team members, is pictured here serving alongside an Israeli at Kaplan Medical Center—where the gospel was shared in both word and deed within the hospital's halls.

NEW FOI MISSIONARIES

Brian and Elizabeth Overholtzer serve in the Baltimore/Washington, DC area, reaching the Jewish community and inspiring churches to embrace Jewish outreach. Their ministry emphasizes hospitality, discipleship, and teaching that points to God's heart for Israel.



Caleb Urdaneta is serving the Jewish community in Los Angeles while studying at The Master's University. Before attending Master's, he received training from our missionaries in Las Vegas, equipping him with practical ministry experience that continues to shape his heart for Jewish outreach.



VCY Radio Rally



I was honored by the VCY Radio Network with an invitation to speak at their rally in Milwaukee, WI—a message that not only reached those gathered in person but also broadcast nationwide across VCY's 66 stations and 39 affiliates.

The topic they entrusted to me was Why Israel Matters: Past, Present, and Future, a subject close to my heart and essential for the Church today. Standing before the audience, I had the privilege of opening Scripture to show God's faithfulness to Israel through history, His ongoing promises today, and the certainty of His plan for the future.

In the middle of my message, a heckler tried to interrupt and silence the truth, but law enforcement quickly removed the individual so the message could continue. I thank God that, even amidst opposition, His Word went forth with clarity—both to those in the room and across the country from coast to coast.



Big month in our home—Olive (9th), Cohen & Preston (7th), and Levi (3rd) are all starting at The King's Christian School. Proud of each of them—pray they grow in wisdom, faith, and joy this year!

Prayer Requests

Gospel Impact in Jewish Communities: Please pray that the Lord would open hearts among the Jewish people as we share the message of Jesus the Messiah with clarity, compassion, and boldness.

Strength, Joy, and Protection for My Family: As our ministry grows, so do the demands on our time and energy. Please pray for God's protection, unity, and joy in our home, and that Karen and I would lead our children well during this busy season.

Equipping the Next Generation: Pray for our interns, volunteers, and future missionaries—that they would be deeply rooted in Scripture and equipped to minister effectively in Jewish communities across North America.

Partner with Us

Would you prayerfully consider supporting our calling to reach the Jewish people with the gospel and educate believers about the Jewish roots of our faith in Jesus. Please click on the button above. We are thankful for all your prayers and support.

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