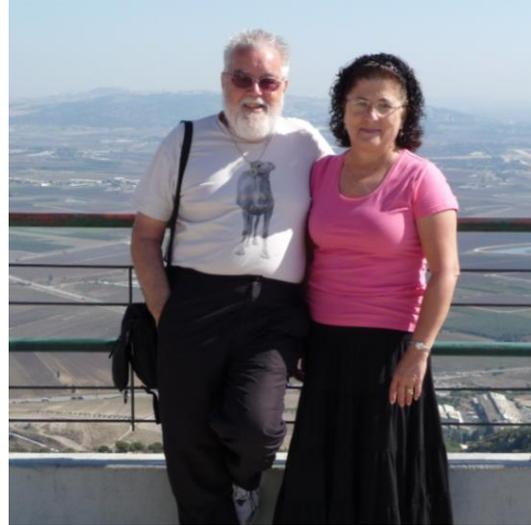


Road to Zion Update

September 3, 2009
Next Trip October 31, 2009

*For the L-rd has chosen Zion;
He has desired it for His dwelling place;
This is My resting place forever;
Here I will dwell, for I have desired it.
I will abundantly bless her provision;
I will satisfy her poor with bread.
I will also clothe her priests with salvation,
And her saints shall shout aloud for joy.
Psalm 132:13-16*



Upcoming Trip Information

It's hard to believe that September is already here. Next month we will be returning to Israel to help at least four families. (Possibly more if time permits) This time we will have a wide variety of families to meet and places to work.

We have two projects in Jerusalem. One family is Orthodox and victims of a terror attack. You may remember about five years ago a bus was bombed as it left the old city of Jerusalem. The bus was carrying mainly Orthodox families and the terrorist was dressed as a religious Jewish man would dress. He blended in with the crowd of families on the bus. The night he blew himself up, also on that bus was "Family A". This family consists of the mother, father and five children. At the time of the bombing the children were ages 8 years to 6 months. They were all on their way home from praying at the Western Wall. Everyone in the family was injured. The 6-month-old boy was separated from his parents in the confusion that followed the explosion. It was hours before they found him. He had been taken to a different hospital than the rest of the family. The doctors had no idea who he belonged to. They were just working to save his life. He has had many surgeries through the last five years with still more yet to do. His sister still has at least two more surgeries to

repair damage done to her eyes. We visited with this family last June to talk to them and see if they were comfortable having Christians come and paint their two-bedroom apartment in November. There is always a different feeling in the homes of terror victims. When we go in to work, most of the time we can feel the heaviness and sometimes fear that hangs in the air. The children are usually very quiet and cautious. Not only do we want to paint and repair what ever needs painting or repairing but we also want to bring a spirit of joy to this family. We ask you to please pray that nothing prevents us from working in their home and blessing them with a fresh coat of paint. They are a little anxious about having strangers in their home.

Our second place to work in Jerusalem is with an Ethiopian immigrant family – a mother and three children ages 3-9 years old. The father is in jail. A friend contacted us to see if we could help this very poor family first before even asking if they needed help. She didn't want them to get their hopes up and then be disappointed. The morning the Ethiopian Mother (Esther) came to work, our friend asked if she could use some help. She told her about these American Christians that come from the

USA to help Israelis two times each year. The woman broke out in a huge smile and said to our friend, " Just this morning my 7 year old daughter said when we can save enough money we need to paint our apartment." It is exciting to put hands and feet to the prayers of children.

Our next two projects will be near Tel Aviv. Both women in these two places are widows. One lives with her 10 year old son and Mother-in-law. The other woman lives alone in 2 rooms. Both of these women are believers and members of a local congregation. Being widows, they live on very limited budgets.

Update from June Trip

As usual the best made plans can sometimes change. At the last minute our work project changed and while we were in Israel in June 2009 we were able to paint the bedroom of a boy and buy him a new bed and desk as a



surprise for his upcoming Bar Mitzvah. The family arranged for us to come work while he was at school. You can just imagine his surprise when he came home and found his room transformed! Since we did not take a group with us we dedicated our time to helping this one

family. The parents have been in the ministry for many years and it was a joy to help them celebrate their son's transition into manhood.

We would like to say thank you to each person that prays for and contributes in so many ways to the success of Road to Zion Ministries.

We appreciate how you lift us up in prayer while we are traveling back and forth to Israel. Please pray for each person going this time.

Sue M.	Garry P.
Micah D.	Linda C.
Ed A.	Donna D.
Ruth J.	Johnny H.
Pat H.	Jean Dorris
David Dorris	

Shalom, David Dorris

**David and Jean Dorris
Road to Zion Ministries
8001 Eastwood Lane
Pensacola, FL 32514
850-494-1266
djdorris@roadtozion.org
www.roadtozion.org**

You may have noticed the "o" missing from the name of G-d in this newsletter. To honor His holy name, Jewish people refrain from adding the "o" when writing the name of G-d. We have chosen to respect their tradition by doing the same.

UPCOMING TRIPS TO ISRAEL

May 29-June 9, 2010 and October 24th-November 4, 2010

If you would like to experience 12 fantastic days seeing the land G-d calls "His resting place forever"...

If you would like to touch the lives of Israeli families in need by painting and doing simple repairs...

Contact us for an application