



International Fellowship
of Christians and Jews®
CANADA

Annual Report 2024



*You are my refuge and my shield;
I have put my hope in your word.*

Psalms 119:114

Shalom,

I am so deeply moved to share with you this report on all we accomplished together in 2024. As we have throughout our long history, the Jewish people have faced immense challenges this past year. And I spent much of the year here on the ground in the Holy Land, witnessing both profound suffering and extraordinary courage as we delivered aid and comfort to Israel's most vulnerable.

At the same time, after more than three years of war in Ukraine, that conflict also continues to bring heartbreak, loss, displacement, and deep uncertainty. So many vulnerable people across Ukraine and the former Soviet Union are suffering and in desperate need.

For eight decades we have declared "Never Again!" Yet too many have forgotten this sacred promise. Today, the Jewish people face antisemitic hatred and violence we have not seen since the darkest days of the Holocaust.

But here is what gives me hope amid this heartbreak: the Jewish people have millions of Christian friends who love us and stand alongside us in our time of need. You, our supporters and champions, have reminded us that we are not forgotten, that we are not alone.

Thanks to your support, we helped more people, touched more lives, and distributed more aid than any other year since The Fellowship's founding. You enabled us to provide basic necessities, and the life-changing chance to make *aliyah* (immigrate to Israel) for the Jewish people. And through unimaginable heartbreak and trauma of war, you strengthened the people of Israel by providing critical emergency supplies and support.

Canadian friends often ask me what it's like living through a war. I tell them about the countless times my family has raced to seek shelter with mere seconds to spare. When we cannot reach safety in time, I describe watching my children throw themselves on the ground, hands covering their heads, as rockets exploded overhead.

Yet my children are being raised in their biblical homeland, secure in the knowledge that God is with them. And your support, your love, serves as proof of God's providence, assurance that we are not alone even in our darkest hours.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you, my friends. Thank you for being by our side, and please continue to pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

With blessings from the Holy Land,

Yael Eckstein

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President





IFCJ CANADA'S 2024 IMPACT

Over **97,000** people
were helped by
IFCJ Canada



Poverty

13,000 elderly provided with
basic needs to fight poverty

859,000 meals and food boxes
distributed

29,000 children and families
received food, medicine, clothing,
or financial assistance



Aliyah

1,211 olim
(immigrants)
made aliyah



Fellowship

23,000 people across Canada
supported our mission in 2024

4,900 people engaged in
quarterly prayer services

4,400 prayer requests taken to
the Western Wall in Jerusalem

THE FELLOWSHIP'S GLOBAL IMPACT

Over 2 million people
were helped by The Fellowship

3 million meals
served through Fellowship-
supported soup kitchens worldwide

**973,000 children and
families** received basic needs
like food, medicine, and clothing

136,000 elderly Jews
and Holocaust survivors provided
with food, medicine, warm winter
clothes, blankets, and other
necessities.

More than 6,000 olim
made *aliyah*

Assisted 12,000 olim
with *klitah* (resettlement) in the
form of education and career
counseling and scholarships,
Hebrew language lessons,
and financial support to
purchase basic needs

8,000 people participated
in monthly prayer services

60,000 prayer requests
were taken to the Western Wall
in Jerusalem

More than 220 churches,
synagogues, and institutions came
together to host Flags of Fellowship
events throughout North America.



OUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Since the horrific Hamas attacks on October 7, Israel has faced profound loss, constant threats, and daily uncertainty. Families have been uprooted, communities shaken, and the emotional toll remains deep. But even in this difficult time, the people of Israel continue to show strength, resilience, and faith. And you, our supporters, have been a constant source of hope and light. Your generosity has provided urgent aid, comfort in crisis, and a powerful reminder that the people of Israel are not alone.

Impact:

5,000 emergency food kits were distributed to vulnerable families in Israel. Each kit, designed to provide essential sustenance, was packed with enough food to feed a family of four during times of crisis.

Finding Goodness and Light

Tamara was a small child when her Jewish family escaped Estonia as the Nazis invaded.

Now in the Holy Land, she still lives with those memories, which were only heightened by the October 7 attacks, when Hamas terrorists invaded southern Israel, including Tamara's hometown of Ashkelon.

"Our city was hit by the most missiles of all the cities in Israel," Tamara says. Unlike 1,200 other Israelis, Tamara survived that terrible day, just as she survived the Holocaust. "I hear the news and I can't stop crying," she says. "I pray all day for the lives of the hostages and for the lives of our soldiers who guard us."

"That's all I can do. Pray and believe that it will be good."

Tamara does find good when IFCJ Canada volunteers visit with food and other necessities. Thank you for being a blessed source of goodness and light in Tamara's life.



OUR POVERTY PROGRAM

This past year, you helped us answer God's call to feed the hungry and help the most vulnerable in Israel and around the world. With wars in both Israel and Ukraine, so many impoverished families and elderly relied on us as their main source of food and support. But we believe that God called The Fellowship and you, our faithful friends, *"for such a time as this."* So Fellowship volunteers bravely went into the war zones to deliver lifesaving food boxes on your behalf – sending a strong message of hope and letting God's people know that they are not forgotten.

Impact in Israel:

8,300 elderly and Holocaust survivors in Israel received basic needs

Over **836,000** hot meals were served to needy people through 20 soup kitchens across Israel

42,800 people were provided with food and financial aid to observe the sacred holidays of Passover and Rosh Hashanah

8,800 children were given school supplies

Over **1,600** at-risk children and youth benefited from educational, social, and mentorship programs, with an additional 70 youth with severe disabilities receiving hands-on vocational training



Finding Comfort in IFCJ Canada

"Israel is my home," says Anna, an 85-year-old Holocaust survivor from Ukraine. "I love this country with all my heart."

Anna lives in northern Israel, where she faces many threats from the ongoing conflict in the region. She was painfully reminded of this after a missile hit a shopping centre just two minutes from her house.

She says, "I'm old now, and it takes me a long time to descend the stairs to the bomb shelter. Suddenly, I heard a huge explosion. I raised my hands because I felt the ceiling was about to collapse on me."

And then she told us something that was so heartbreaking: "Since then, I'm afraid to fall asleep at night. I sleep in my clothes so that I'm ready to run if there's another siren."

While we pray the war in Israel ends soon, we are here for Anna with support and care in the meantime. "I almost never leave my home, and I rely on the food I receive thanks to IFCJ Canada."

Caring for Hurting Jewish People in Need

Lily is an immigrant from Iraq, while Ezra is also an immigrant to Israel from Iran. They've been married over 60 years and have four grown children. Just a few years ago they had 13 grandchildren, but terrible events took the lives of their 18-year-old Shahar, who died in a car accident, and Adi, who was killed by terrorists on October 7, 2023.

Lily is struggling to accept the loss. "I'm thinking about my grandchildren all the time and I'm constantly in pain," she says. Ezra suffers too. "The truth is, I'm also in pain," he says.

While nothing can take away this grief, IFCJ Canada provides support through a monthly food card which the couple can use to buy groceries. And our visits help remind them they are not alone. As all of Israel is hurting after October 7, it's all the more important to care for Jewish people in need, like Ezra and Lily.



“ I would be dead of hunger or cold or pain, due to a lack of medicine. IFCJ Canada is my lifeline. They help me with everything.”

Elizaveta, 78-year-old woman in Odesa, Ukraine who receives food and medical assistance from IFCJ Canada



*But let justice roll on like a river,
righteousness like a never-failing stream!*

Amos 5:24



Impact in the FSU:

4,600 elderly and Holocaust survivors in the FSU received basic needs.

226,466 hours of home care were provided to assist frail elderly with basic activities of daily living, such as bathing, laundry, cleaning, and cooking, averaging 8 hours per person per week.

6,000 people were provided with food and financial aid to observe the sacred holidays of Passover and Rosh Hashanah.

400 Jewish children in Ukraine received relief, including case management, material support, emergency assistance, school support, and socialization activities.

'You Are All We Have'

In war-torn Ukraine, Irina cares for her elderly mother and twin daughters – one of whom, Adele, lives with cerebral palsy. Their home is crumbling, rain seeps through the ceiling, and the basement they hide in during bombings is barely accessible.

"I have to take care of my mother and the girls," says Irina, who is their full-time caregiver. "It's only thanks to the food that comes to us through IFCJ Canada that we are not starving."

Despite the fear and hardship, Irina finds hope in the Jewish school that continues to educate her daughters – even during war. "I hope their future will be better than mine."

Thanks to your support, IFCJ Canada is the only source of help for this family. "You are all we have," Irina says. "May God bless you."

“We received food boxes, medicine, and shopping vouchers for household items and warm clothes for the winter... Thanks to the assistance of IFCJ Canada, we have the strength and the ability to hold on and wait for the end of the war. I draw hope from the fact that we have someone to rely on... The hand you give us helps us deal with the situation.”

Haya, a Jewish mother of four in war-torn Ukraine





OUR ALIYAH PROGRAM

We feel so privileged to participate in the fulfillment of prophecy by welcoming Jews from around the world to their biblical homeland. Thanks to you, Christians are part of that prophetic fulfillment: “they will bring your sons in their arms and carry your daughters on their hips” (Isaiah 49:22). It’s truly a blessing to witness *olim* – many of whom have lived through anti-Semitism, war, and poverty – finding hope and joy in the land God promised them.

‘We Are Finally Home’

When war shattered their lives in Kharkiv, Ukraine, Yuliia and Renat fled with their daughters, driving three days without sleep. “We saw our daughter’s school explode,” Yuliia recalls. “We hid in the subway. We didn’t know what to do or where to run.”

Then they found IFCJ Canada – and they knew it was the answer to their prayers.

With your support, they made *aliyah* to Israel. Since arriving, they’ve received food, school supplies, and help navigating life in a new country. “IFCJ Canada constantly supports and encourages us. Believe me, I consider my connection to IFCJ Canada a real miracle,” says Yuliia. “You became part of our family.”

Their first Passover in the Holy Land was deeply meaningful. “It truly felt like a holiday of freedom,” she says. “We are finally home. Everything good that’s happened to us – it’s all thanks to IFCJ Canada.”



In 2024, IFCJ Canada helped more than 1,200 people make *aliyah* from the following countries:

- Argentina
- Azerbaijan
- Belarus
- Brazil
- Chile
- Colombia
- Georgia
- Mexico
- Moldova
- Panama
- Peru
- Ukraine

“You made my girl happy! We arrived with very few things, and she didn’t have a schoolbag for school. The school year starts soon, and we are in a new country and a new city, so I don’t even know where to start looking for a schoolbag for her. Now I have one less worry in my heart I see how happy she is. Thank you to IFCJ Canada for helping our family.”

Daria, mother and new olim from Ukraine

He will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel.

Isaiah 11:12

OUR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

For over 20 years, the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews of Canada has worked tirelessly to build bridges of friendship between Christians and Jews, rooted in shared biblical values and the promise of Genesis 12:3 that says God will bless those who bless Israel. These bridges have remained strong, weathering the storms of anti-Semitism and violence. Through these efforts, we've helped educate Christians about the Jewish roots of their faith. And with every partnership built on shared faith values, we bring hope and help to Jews in need every single day.

Impact:

13,400 followers on our IFCJ Canada social pages in 2024

90,500 engagements, reaching 375 thousand people from our IFCJ Canada social efforts in 2024

8 churches, synagogues, and educational institutions hosted Flags of Fellowship events across 4 provinces

"It was a beautiful gesture and is truly appreciated. It means so much to know that we have others out there standing with us and sharing in what we have been through."

Member of a community that participated in Flags of Fellowship 2024



Flags of Fellowship

On October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists invaded Israel, murdering 1,200 innocent people and plunging the region into war. To mark the solemn anniversary of that tragic day, IFCJ Canada, together with its sister organizations, launched the first-ever Flags of Fellowship initiative. More than 200 churches, universities, and synagogues across Canada and the U.S. joined in a powerful declaration of unity and hope by planting fields of 1,200 Israeli flags, each representing a precious life lost. Through prayer and action, we shared a clear message: in the face of darkness and hatred, Christians and Jews will stand together for faith, hope, and life, shining God's light into the world.

“IFCJ Canada has helped me very much over the years. The monthly assistance I receive with buying food allows me to buy more fruits and vegetables and also some meat. I don't know how we would manage without IFCJ Canada's help. I feel that you care about me and that you take care of me.”

Aliah, 88-year-old woman from northern Israel



“I am very happy at the *kibbutz*, learning Hebrew and becoming adapted to Israeli culture. The IFCJ Canada seminar was amazing. It was great hanging out with other people in my situation, and it really gave us a sense of community with other young *olim*.”

Fabricio from Argentina, who attended an IFCJ Canada seminar for young olim from Latin America

“I want also to send my best wishes to all the people who are involved in IFCJ Canada operation before Passover, a holiday that symbolizes freedom and hope for Jewish people. Your work warms and brings hope to many people's hearts. It gives us a feeling of safety and stability in our day-by-day life. Thank you, and God bless you!”

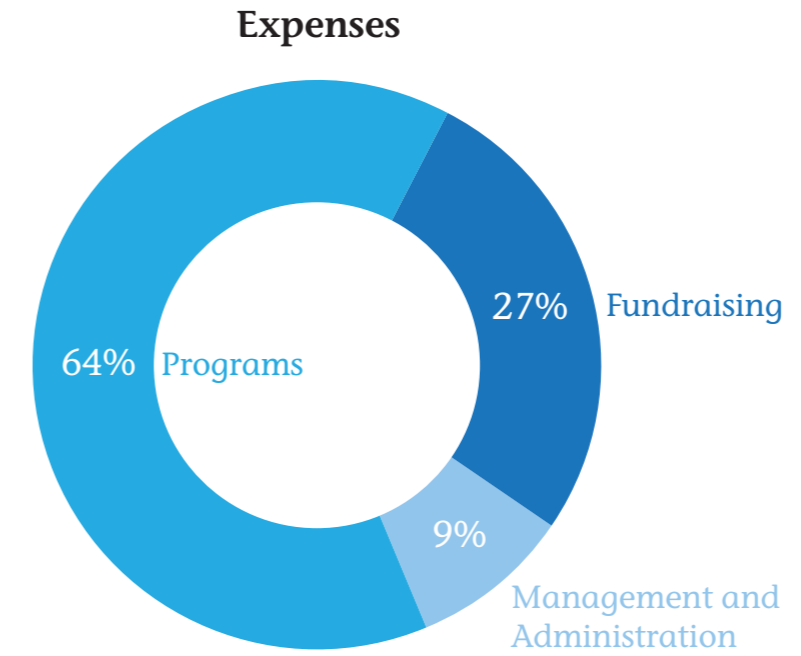
Rozalia, a 90-year-old Holocaust survivor from Ukraine living in Israel



FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR 2024

REVENUE	2024	2023
Donor Contributions		
Restricted	\$5,411,502	\$7,456,084
Unrestricted	\$8,485,145	\$7,846,602
Operating Grant	\$771,274	\$402,330
Interest Income	\$79,283	\$52,094
TOTAL REVENUE	\$14,747,204	\$15,757,110

EXPENSES	2024	2023
Programs		
Poverty	\$8,250,191	\$7,671,003
Aliyah	\$1,813,694	\$1,645,729
Fellowship	\$55,482	\$53,975
Education Outreach Program	—	\$20,000
Total Programs	\$10,119,367	\$9,390,707
Operating Expenses		
Fundraising	\$4,410,567	\$4,005,755
Management and Administration	\$1,410,920	\$1,296,063
Total Operating Expenses	\$5,821,487	\$5,301,818
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$15,940,854	\$14,692,525
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$(1,193,650)	\$1,064,585



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