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**“I will take joy
in the God of my salvation.
God, the Lord,
is my strength.”
Habakkuk 3:18**

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Dear Jewish Missions Partner,
Shalom in Messiah’s name!

A Unique Miracle

The birth of our Saviour is a unique miracle that has not and will not be repeated! God fulfilled the promise of a future Messiah for Israel in a way no one had foreseen. He Himself took a human body and became fully man. Not only did He experience every human emotion, but he took all our sin upon Himself to satisfy God’s requirement of a perfect sacrifice as a final and complete atonement. That is why the miracle of Incarnation is so unique!

Yes, being born of a woman without male intervention is miraculous. But the reason for Messiah’s coming is the truly unique and indescribable miracle of God’s love toward us. God the Father sent His only Son to be sacrificed so that you and I could have forgiveness of sin, a restored relationship with God, an abundant life here and the free gift of eternal life with



the Lord. You will read more about the birth of Jesus in this month’s issue of *The Chosen People*.

An Uncertain World

As I write, news regarding the pandemic does not seem very encouraging. The world is now facing Omicron, a new variant of the COVID-19 virus. And like previous variants, there is not yet enough information to assess its strength, consequences, or treatment. It seems that COVID-19 and its mutations will stick around for a while longer.

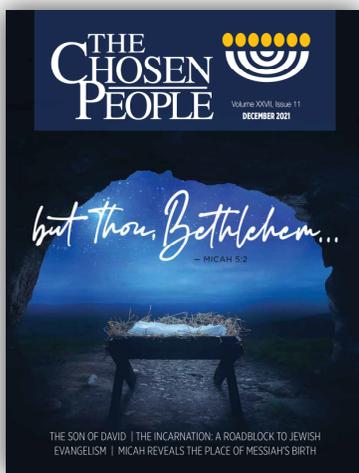
In addition to the pandemic, natural disasters continue to hit many areas of the world. Volcanoes continue to erupt in Europe. Earthquakes are always a threat in various Latin American countries. Here in Canada, rains and flooding brought devastation to British Columbia and the Maritimes like never before.

And then there is military, political and social upheaval in the Middle East, in Asia, and on almost every continent. Threats of nuclear attacks from Iran are being taken seriously by Israel even as I write. World economies seem to be battling each other over who will have more control of resources, production and investments. People rally to protest a number of social issues – pro- and anti-vaccine mandates, shortage or loss of jobs, lack or insufficient government assistance, rising living expenses ... the list goes on.

If I had to choose a word to describe the situation we live in, it would be *uncertainty*. There is uncertainty about not just the future in general, but tomorrow. There is uncertainty about the vaccines: Should I, or shouldn’t I? Will they work? Are they enough? There is uncertainty about employment, travel, finances and even supplies like food, gas, and basic necessities. Uncertainty makes it difficult to make wise decisions about life, family and our future.

On the one hand, people who don’t know how to cope with these uncertain times tend to take drastic steps. Some turn to forms of addiction to avoid reality for a brief moment. Others even go

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further and opt for more dangerous solutions. Unfortunately, during this long pandemic the number of suicides has increased significantly, especially among the younger generations.

On the other hand, the present situation has led many to seek spiritual answers to their questions. Like



other ministries, our Mission has responded to more phone calls, emails and other requests in the last year and a half than in any other time we can recall. We've prayed and counselled people from all backgrounds and of all ages. We've planted numerous seeds of the Gospel in Jewish and Gentile hearts not only in Canada but around the globe, thanks to digital technology. In some cases, we have had the privilege of leading people to accept Jesus as their Saviour, Messiah and Lord. That's cause for rejoicing at any time!

Yet I Will Rejoice

I want to conclude this letter with these encouraging words I read recently in Scripture. They come from the Old Testament:

"Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation. God, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places" (Habakkuk 3:17-19).

We are coming to the end of another difficult year, which also means we are entering into a new year. I join everyone else in wishing for a better year, but I am also praying and crying out to God for a blessed, safer and healthier year for all. Wishing doesn't change anything; prayer does! Fate has no power; God does!

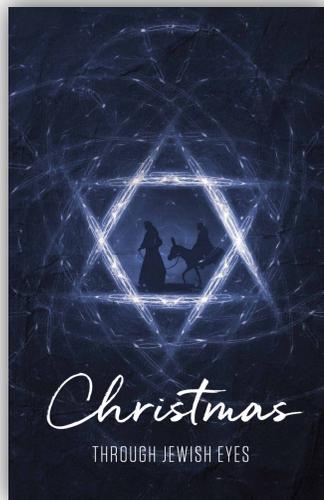
No matter what comes our way next year, our hope is in the Lord. Whether He chooses to bless us or not, our hope is in Him. Whether the pandemic stays around for another year or God decides to eradicate it from our midst, we will trust in Him and remain faithful. This is my prayer for my life, for my family, for our Mission and for you as well.

Thank you for your partnership in Jewish Missions! Your prayers and financial support help us reach Jewish people for Messiah one individual at a time. We are counting on you for 2022!

From all of us here, may the Lord bless you and yours during this season commemorating Messiah's birth and in the days to come!

Faithful to the God of Israel,

Jorge Sedaca
Executive Director



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