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MISSION GRANT STORY

BRINGING THE GOSPEL

TO THE LOST SHEEP OF ISRAEL \$100,000

The Apple of His Eye Mission Society was formed in 1996 following over 20 years of being a Synod-supported task force on Jewish evangelism. Their mission statement emphasizes the boldly declaring of Y'shua as Messiah, and the urgently equipping of the Church to do the same.

Knowing that one of the unreached people groups of the world of great concern to the people of the LCMS are the Jewish people, The Apple of His Eye Mission Society is doing an active work of sowing the seed so that God's Spirit can dwell in them by declaring Jesus as their Savior. However, the challenges are there. Outside missionaries are scrambling to stay in Israel, and many have had visas revoked or not renewed. Currently, there are over 6 million Jewish people living in the land of Israel, and 99% do not confess Jesus Christ

as their Savior. The solution is to recruit and train Israeli citizens who confess Y'shua as Messiah to join in partnership with The Apple of His Eye for mission work there.

The Old Testament was written in the Hebrew language so the Jewish people need no translation. However, there is an urgent need of a loving and direct Gospel proclamation on a personal level leading to the formation of Lutheran-framed Messianic congregations for Word and Sacrament.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) funds will be used to bring people to the United States for training, provide housing while in training, and then provide a modest start-up package for the ministry. These include evangelism tools and materials for outreach, computers for working with database, and creative communications.