



Ministry Association

Oświęcim

# Shalom

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LETTER

*...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me. Mt. 25:40b*

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## Conference 2023





## **Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

From 24 to 27 August this year in Oświęcim was held the yearly international conference “From the Holocaust to a Living Hope”. Participants of the conference came from Poland, Israel, Germany, the United States, Ukraine and the Czech Republic. We could meet together as one family united by the redeeming blood of the Lord Jesus, King of Israel, and listen to what the Holy Spirit says to the Church.

Together we experienced fellowship with God, who through the Holy Spirit has revealed to us His purposes concerning the Kingdom of God and His redemptive purposes closely related to the times in which we live and the coming of the Lord Jesus as King of Israel to Jerusalem. Through these annual conferences, held in a place that is a symbol of the death and suffering of Jews and other nations, it becomes a center of reconciliation, prayer and healing. This year’s worship and concert performed by an Israeli band was also an extraordinary experience, especially as we worshipped the Lord in Hebrew, testifying that the people of Israel are alive and that the Lord is implementing His eternal plans for this nation and the Church.

The most important moment of this conference was the Lord’s Supper at the selection site called Judenrampe, where over 500 thousand were brought during the Second World War Jews from all over Europe. After the selection, they were transported by trucks to the gas chambers. The healing of this place is connected with the healing of the countries of Europe from which Jews were brought. As church representatives from many nations, we broke bread together and participated in fulfilling the vision of the gathering of the Church at the selection site that God gave us in 2005. After the breaking of the bread at the selection site, we prayed that we would stand in our priestly calling and that God, through the Holy Spirit, would heal the wounds of the nation of Israel and use us in the ministry of intercession for Israel, as well as heal the wounds of the Holocaust in this nation. When we gather in this place as a Church from different nations, we participate in the healing process of this place and Europe. Without this healing, there will be no revival and blessing, not only for Europe but also for the world.

We are grateful to God that through all the lecturers who for the most part came from Israel, the Holy Spirit revealed to us topics related to the Jewish people, the Holocaust, the nations, the Church and the Kingdom of God, which will occur in Israel when Messiah Yeshua returns as King to Jerusalem. A very important message was shared with us by David and Leah Ortiz. David is the leader of the messianic community in the city of Ariel, Israel, whose calling is also to preach the Gospel to the local Arabs whose settlements surround Ariel. It was moving to witness their dedication to the cause of God’s Kingdom and the Gospel, which they paid with a bomb attack on their youngest son. Although many years have passed since this event, and their son, by the grace of God, their son is alive and well, what they experienced left an indelible mark on them. Through their suffering, God glorified his name, and the Gospel of Messiah Yeshua resounded throughout Israel, also among Arab communities. We have been very encouraged to pray for Jewish and Arab believers in Yeshua because they have a common future, connected with the promise of Isaiah 19:23–25, when they will be joined together to give glory to the eternal and Almighty God.

During the conference, Melissa Mott and Jael Kalisher gave a concert, during which they testified to God’s eternal love and faithfulness. This extraordinary worship was a deep experience and joy for all the participants of the conference.

The time of this conference left unforgettable experiences in the hearts of all participants. This is of great importance for the transformation of this place from a curse into a blessing, from death into life, from the Holocaust into a living hope, which we proclaim through faith in the resurrection in the Messiah of Israel – Yeshua.

We cordially invite you right now to take part in next year's 27<sup>th</sup> conference, which will take place on 22-25 August in Oświęcim. Your participation in the conference is very important. For here, in Auschwitz, our relations were trampled, destroyed, annihilated in the gas chambers and turned into ashes but Almighty God has the power to turn ashes into diamonds and restore Israel and us to our destiny, to be the Royal Priesthood in His Kingdom: ...to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. Isaiah 61, 2b-3a

Anyone interested in buying MP3 CDs with lectures from the conference and MP3 CDs with the worship concert, please contact us.

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## Rest Project

Four years have passed since the last time we organized the Remove the Stones project in the Kołobrzeg sanatorium. First, the pandemic and then the full-scale war in Ukraine contributed to the suspension of this project.

Thank God this year we were able to come to Kołobrzeg again with 13 people from Ukraine.

The whole group came by train from Vinnytsia to Przemyśl, from where we took two buses first to Łańcut, where they got acquainted with the richness and beauty of this place. They could visit the Lubomirski Castle and see the orchid house with a wealth of different species of these flowers. Take a stroll through the lovely park and get acquainted with the collection of horse carriages. In the end, they could admire the 18th-century synagogue with its unique polychromes and paintings on the walls. Another place on their route was Oświęcim, then Goczałkowice-Zdrój, where they visited the picturesque gardens of Kapias.

In Wisła, they were first hosted at the house of sister Wanda, who offered the whole group a delicious pumpkin soup and cake. The church in Wisła Czarne welcomed everyone with a perfectly prepared ram.

The next day the whole group left Oświęcim for the sanatorium in Kołobrzeg.

The two weeks of rest combined with the treatments to restore the health of our older brothers was a respite for all of them, especially in this dramatic period in which Ukraine finds itself.

Every evening we had time together to meditate on the Word of God, which was directed at learning about Yeshua. During the next meetings, one could clearly feel the guidance of the Holy Spirit. During this stay, we celebrated the Sabbath twice.

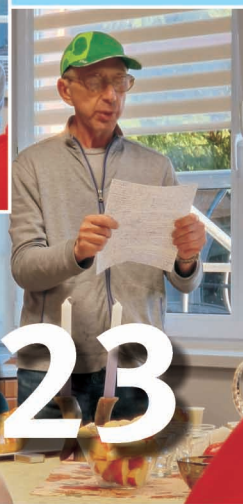
I will not forget the words of an old man who came to me with the question: "Where is this group from?" When he found out they were from Ukraine, he asked again: "Who financed their stay here?" I replied that the Association thanks to funds donated by believers. He nodded his head and said several times: "It is commendable what you are doing, it is commendable."

We believe that this project is unique because if at least one person during its duration believed and accepted Yeshua into his heart, it was worth organizing it because then the whole heaven rejoices.

We thank you our brothers and sisters in the Lord. What you are doing for our Lord's people is commendable.

**Mirosław Mieszala**  
**Shalom from Oświęcim**





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