

# MPD Coach William

# NEWSLETTER

## Ukraine's Jewish Ministry Spotlight

From Tanya:

Ukraine remains in turmoil as the war for independence continues into its fourth year, with devastating losses of both military and civilian lives. The Jewish population in Ukraine has drastically declined from over 300,000 to an estimated 33,000 today, yet the need for ministry remains immense. This spring, we are honored to participate in the March of the Living at Auschwitz-Birkenau on Yom HaShoah, joining thousands worldwide to remember Holocaust victims. Additionally, we recently fulfilled the dreams of Ukrainian senior Jews by taking them to Israel, allowing them to witness the land of their forefathers for the first time. These moments of remembrance and connection remind us of the vital work still to be done in serving and supporting the Jewish people during these challenging times. Thank you for your continued prayers and partnership in this mission.

Support Tanya in Ukraine:

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## Ministry Partnership Update - May 2025

*"If you extend your soul to the hungry And satisfy the afflicted soul, Then your light shall dawn in the darkness, And your darkness shall be as the noonday." - Isaiah 58:10*

### Dear Faithful Prayer and Ministry Partners,

As I write to you this month, my heart is filled with gratitude for God's faithfulness and your unwavering partnership in bringing both **physical and spiritual comfort to the Jewish people**. The events of May have powerfully reminded me that our Lord works through every circumstance, even unexpected challenges, to advance His purposes among His chosen people.

### Strategic Ministry Training in the Pacific Northwest

In May, I embarked on a **cost-effective training mission** to Seattle, Washington, working intensively with one of our Ukrainian FOI Representatives who serves courageously in Poland. Rather than the expense of traveling to Poland, this strategic approach allowed us to focus entirely on **developing prayer and financial partnerships** for his expanding ministry among Jewish communities in Eastern Europe.

During my 8-day visit, I had the privilege of covering over **600 miles** throughout the Washington and Oregon region, connecting with churches and individual ministry partners who share our passion for Jewish ministry. Each conversation reinforced the growing hunger among believers to understand and participate in God's plan for Israel.

### A Cross-Cultural Moment of Joy

One particularly memorable experience occurred when my Ukrainian colleague and I walked a mile to share his first-ever Mexican meal together. Despite my recent injury (*more on that below!*), we walked the full two miles round-trip, creating a beautiful moment of fellowship that transcended cultural boundaries. These personal connections are at the heart of effective ministry partnership development.

### God's Protection in Unexpected Circumstances

On May 9th, near the end of my training trip, I experienced an unexpected setback when I slipped in my hotel bathtub, breaking my big toe on my left foot and the fourth toe on my right foot. True to form, I pressed forward with our scheduled training, walking those miles for lunch and completing our intensive partnership development sessions.

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## Israel's Jewish Ministry Spotlight

From Jack:

After nearly a year and a half of conflict, there's hope as the nightmare in Gaza begins to ease. While hostages remain and struggles continue, we see light ahead. The trauma of missile strikes on Rehovot, especially during the unprotected first 48 hours, lingers; every loud sound still stirs anxiety. Yet, we are deeply thankful for God's protection, as only one congregation member was injured. Please pray for G., who nearly lost his leg after an RPG hit his bulldozer, and for his healing and full recovery. Also, lift up our three soldiers serving in Israel's compulsory military service. Reflecting on past ministry reminds us of God's faithfulness, like our sports outreach, which brought 100 unsaved teens together. May we continue to trust Him as we serve the Jewish people in these challenging times. Thank you for walking alongside us!

Support Jack in Israel:  
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The Lord's timing proved perfect when I returned to Philadelphia for my already-scheduled hematologist appointment. My doctor immediately sent me to the emergency room for a comprehensive evaluation, confirming the broken toes while ruling out any head trauma. **God's protection was evident throughout this entire experience.**

## Prayer Requests 🙏



*Your prayers are the foundation of everything we accomplish in Jewish ministry. Please join me in praying for:*

- **International Representatives** - Wisdom and favor as they build ministry partnerships across Eastern Europe
- **Training Impact** - Multiplication of effective partnership development throughout our global network
- **Personal Ministry** - Divine guidance as I cultivate new prayer and financial partners for this God-given mission
- **Physical Healing** - Complete recovery from my injuries and continued strength for travel
- **Ministry Protection** - Safety and open doors for all our representatives serving in challenging regions

## Expanded Partnership Opportunities

I'm excited to share multiple ways to support Jewish ministry, making your partnership more accessible and impactful than ever! Here's how you can give: Visit [partner.foi.org](https://partner.foi.org)

1. 💰 Cryptocurrency Donations
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When giving, please **remember to designate William Busch** to partner with me in ministry.

**Need Assistance?** For any questions, Debbie Helbig is happy to help!  
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***In a world where antisemitism continues to rise and Jewish communities face unprecedented challenges, your faithful partnership represents hope, healing, and the unchanging love of the Messiah.***

**William and Kathleen Busch**