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Entrance to the new site under construction.

Chairman's Report

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This year opens with an exciting vision. The Love for Israel Relief Fund has an opportunity to renovate over 3,000 square feet in a new building to help orphans and at-risk kids. The space can also be ours to use as our international headquarters free of charge for up to five years. Afterwards, we may be able to continue using the space at a huge discount for up to 20 years.

This property is located in a neighborhood of Jerusalem with a lot of new construction. Contractors in this area designate certain parcels for public use.

This landlord has decided to set aside this building for use by a synagogue and plenty of space to help orphans and at-risk kids. The synagogue is already completed and functional on the top floor.

The two bottom floors remain unfinished, which is where we come in. We want to create a community center and celebration hall that can become self-sufficient long-term.

This Purim, we will put together a B'nei Mitzvah celebration for dozens of needy kids in Jerusalem. We tentatively plan to hold the

celebration at the Wailing Wall and the exact number of kids we will sponsor will depend on the donations we will receive.

The beauty of Purim, besides Queen Ester, is that it is a time when we bring joy, happiness and celebration to children. It is also a time when we should give above and beyond our usual offerings to the poor and needy. The Love for Israel Relief Fund is excited to add such a special project that would put a smile on the face of a needy child.

Every year since the beginning of the Love for Israel Relief Fund, we have reached out to lone soldiers serving in the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) for Passover and throughout the year. We especially focus upon orphans who serve in the IDF during this special season. We always help as many orphans in the IDF as our donations allow. Since this project is so meaningful; we plan to continue it in 2010.

Last year we formed the Netanel Fund in response to a number of tragedies that orphaned a number of Israeli children. Some of these tragedies made international headlines and some passed quietly in the night. Either way, our hearts were torn for these precious little ones. In 2010 we plan to continue promoting the Netanel Fund to help Israeli children who have been orphaned suddenly. May the day come soon when we will not need such a fund.

Meanwhile, the Netanel Fund is a vital resource for vulnerable Israeli children.

There are so many exciting ways in which we continue touching the lives of orphans and at-risk kids in Israel, Whether it is weddings, bar mitzvahs, baby showers or school projects – each time an orphan smiles is an indescribable Heavenly blessing. The Love for Israel Relief Fund is excited to join with our supporters and partners to continue touching lives in 2010.

You can donate online at:

<http://love4israel.org/donate.html>

Have a Happy 2010!

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