

### A YEAR IN REVIEW

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## MINISTRY OVERVIEW 2021

I'd love to be able to tick off a long list of all the projects we completed this year and add to that all the countries we visited to minister the Gospel, but like all best-laid plans, it wasn't to be. 2021 has been a year for battles to be won in heavenly places and we have the testimony of amazing victories in being sustained through this pandemic.

As a traveling ministry based in Israel, we have felt the restriction of being grounded, but have used all of this to our advantage to share Yeshua and repositioning. From my experience in ministry, challenging times (storms) like these can only be navigated through the power of prayer and, when required, fasting our way to breakthrough!

We started this year by completing 40 days of prayer as a believing community. We didn't know at that time how difficult this year was going to be, but I believe that 40 days of prayer was good preparation for what was to come.

It is so comforting to know the God we serve never sleeps and watches over us continually.

January started with lots of opposition for our family personally with our businesses under fire. It seemed like the enemy's plan was to have me held up in the courts fighting multiple battles to destroy our finances and stop the work here in Israel. But through it all, we saw the protection and blessings of Yehovah. We didn't shrink back but kept moving forward, rejoicing as we went with many impacting responses to the fruit of our efforts to be salt and light.

Crossing Point was launched at the start of the year as the Father began raising a community of believers. It was established to be a community that would get to know each other as they walked and grew together and were accountable to each other.

The importance of a crossing point for us as believers is that there needs to be a place where we 'cross over' from a carnal state to a spiritual one. We then need to learn what it means to walk in the Kingdom of Yehovah so we can experience all His blessings keeping focused on why Elohim blesses us on the journey to set the captives free.

In May, violence came to our streets as Hamas made war with Israel. We watched as neighborhoods turned against each other. It was no longer safe to go out at night alone with the gangs of both sides attacking each other and innocent bypassers. Even though this war did generate a lot of attention worldwide, for us that live in Israel, we know that this is an ongoing Israeli-Palestinian conflict that has a long history and will flare up again in the future.

In June, a new Government was established as Netanyahu's era came to a close. The new thirty-sixth government of Israel is now being called the Bennett-Lapid government. Naftali Bennett is the current Prime Minister, and Yair Lapid is the Alternate Prime Minister. It is the first government to include an independent Arab Israeli party as an official member of the governing coalition.

The role of the government is based on parliamentary democracy. The prime minister is the head of government and leader of a multi-party system. Executive power is exercised by the government (cabinet). The Knesset vests legislative power. This is vastly different from how the government was run in Saul, David's, and Solomon's reign. Back then, it was called the United Monarchy. The Kingdom of Israel and the Kingdom of Judah were united as one kingdom and ruled over by one king.

Our family moved in August from Caesarea to a new location in a Moshav farming community near Akko. Yemenite Jews established this area in 1950. It has already been a rewarding experience for us. We have been drawn into the outstretched arms of welcoming neighbors wanting us to become a part of their community and families. We are always looking for ways to give back in our local areas and bring Yehovah's love and provision to those around us. We have an outdoor space in our front yard, and it's not uncommon for a neighbor or two to drop by for a chat. We are finding we can be a witness for the Yeshua as we keep the Sabbath and Biblical Feast days and minister the Gospel when the opportunity arises.

#### Moving into the new 2022

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It's hard to speculate what next year will bring as we live with Covid, vaccine mandates, and restrictions. Travel is not an option for us in the foreseeable future months, but that does not mean that Yehovah does not have big plans for the ministry here in the land. I am praying consistently for the following steps to be effective in the place where we live. I don't believe any change or move goes to waste in Yehovah. He can use all of us no matter where we are because of life's circumstances.

At present, as you are aware, I am experiencing some challenges with my health, and this is a good time for a breakthrough as I joyfully praise Yehovah and wait for my healing and strength to return. Over the next five months, I will be concentrating on learning Hebrew 5 days a week as I seek to strengthen my witness to share the gospel and expand our work in Israel. This will include reopening a new center to establish our work in this region. I look forward to coming together in Crossing Point, and our zoom calls as we share our journeys united as one body in Messiah. As soon as I am well enough, we will resume the daily devotions as the Ruach HaKodesh leads. Thank you to everyone who has walked with us this year. We appreciate all your prayers, support, and encouragement which have been an enormous blessing. Many blessings, Kenny

#### **PSALMS 91**

"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Surely He will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence.

He will cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you will find refuge; His faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.

You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.

If you say, "The Lord is my refuge," and you make the Most High your dwelling, no harm will overtake

you,

no disaster will come near your tent.

For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

*"Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges My Name.* 

He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.



With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

## **GLOBAL OVERVIEW 2021**

I think as believers, we can quite confidently say this year has been an incredible time standing on the promises of Yehovah to bring us through wave after wave of fear and uncertainty.

As a global community, there has never been a time in history where we have ridden the rollercoaster ride of a pandemic on such a large scale.

For better or worse, social media has connected us through this experience. We have walked the same path through a minefield of media hype, lies, and deception, desperately trying to find credible information about what will harm us and what won't harm us.

Our distrust of worldly governing authorities is at an all-time high. For the first time, many of us know political leaders worldwide as if they are our own.

Difficult decisions have been made, and people have been left to deal with the consequences on their own as isolation has become its own pandemic.

We've seen many loved ones taken too soon and people losing their jobs; it really has been a challenging year.

It seemed we would get over one mountain of chaos, then there would be another one behind it and another.

Twelve months on, there is more to come, screaming at us, "Mandates, restrictions, new variants are on their way, come and get your booster shot!"

For many of us, we are experiencing our rights and freedoms being systematically taken away from us and justified through corrupt laws.

People are protesting worldwide, desperately trying to be heard, and who is listening?

Our world around us has dramatically changed, and that can be terrifying for those who rely on the world systems as their total security.

In the believing community, false teaching and fear-mongering are rife as sheep without shepherds are scattered to the four winds of deception following after anyone who will confirm their concerns and beliefs, whether it's founded on the Word or not.

Believers are holding fast to their convictions by putting their lives in Yeshua's hands; regardless of the consequences, trusting that Yeshua is the only way through this year and the next. COMPLIANCE has struck fear in the hearts of many. With our futures in the natural world on shaky ground, our faith is being tried and tested. The only thing we can depend on is the promises of a mighty Elohim to keep His Word.

"I will never, never leave you or forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5)

As a community, we have shared the pain of losing family members within the group and stood firm for healing and deliverance when it was required. Our zoom calls have become a vital place of connection and support through these dark times. In the middle of the night, we can reach out to each other for prayer because there is always someone in the group awake somewhere in the world.

We have shared in the joy of seeing family members, friends, and strangers join us in the Kingdom and praised Yehovah as we saw His hand moving in their lives.

We witnessed babies being born too early and survived and grandfathers healed in the mighty name of Yeshua HaMachiach.

We prayed with Kenny and his family as the Father moved them on and placed them in a safe place for these days keeping the ministry positioned precisely where He knew it would be.

As a volunteer this year, I have witnessed firsthand the depth of compassion and thankfulness that BulldozerFaith has as a ministry for their fellow brothers and sisters, tirelessly steering us through unchartered waters.

Their desire to reach out to the lonely and brokenhearted is a true labor of love.

I have thanked the Father every day this year for placing me within this ministry, allowing me to learn and grow, giving back to Yehovah all that He has blessed me with.

Being the last Newsletter for 2021, we will take a quick trip to reflect on the year that was and give thanks to our heavenly Father for bringing us through.

Grace and peace, Esther

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### **2021 IN PICTURES**



January 4: Motorists wait in lines for Covid-19 tests outside of Los Angeles' Dodger Stadium.



January 20: US President Donald Trump waves as he boards Marine One for the final time. Trump, still bitter about the election,

January 6: Trump supporters try to breach the Capitol while Congress was meeting to certify the electoral votes.

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February 9: Protesters use plastic sheets to protect themselves from possible water cannons in Yangon, Myanmar. A week earlier, the country's military seized power in a coup and anti-coup protesters were met with deadly force.



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February 18: Perseverance, NASA's most sophisticated rover to cate, handed on the surface of Mars and sent back its first images of the landing site.

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February 24: Anna, a resident of the Villa Sacra Famiglia Nursing Home, holds her daughter's hand in the Rome facility's "hug room."

March 6: A child tosses at the Idaho Statehouse the state to protest Cov





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April 6: Lightning strikes near the intersection of Chicago Avenue and 38th Street, also known as George Floyd Square, in Minneapolis.



April 23: Bodies arrive at a mas second wave of Covid-19 was o people each day and setting wo remation site in New Delhi. A astating India, killing thousands of ecords for daily infections.



April 12-The coffin of Britain's Prince Philip is carried in the back of a modified Land Rover — one that he helped design his funeral procession in Windsor.



April 17: Britain's Queen Elizabeth II takes her seat at her husband's funeral, which was held at St. George's Chapel inside the grounds of Windsor Castle. She sat alone

May 14: Israe's Iron Dome system intercepts rockets that were launched from Gaza toward southern Israel.

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June 28: Actors perform at the National Stadium in Beijing during a celebration marking the 100th anniversary of the Chinese Communist Party



June 24: Debris is piled up after a 12-story residential builting partially collapsed in the South Florida community of Surfside. Nearly 100 people were killed

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The rapid spread of the Delta coronavirus variant — a more transmissible strain that had quickly become dominant in many countries — led to new face mask guidance from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

July 11: Richard Branson, the founder on virgin Galactic, carries Sirisha Bandla on his scholers while celebrating their historic spaceflight.

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August 15: Taliban fighters sit inside the presidential palace in Kabul, Afghanistan, hours after former President Ashraf Ghani fled the country. The Taliban regained control of Afghanistan nearly two decades after they were driven out of Kabul by US troops.



August 19: People stringide a military aircraft during an evacuation from Kabul. The US Air Force evacuated approximately 3,000 people from Kabul's international airport that day



August 25: Health care workers treat Covid-19 patients at a chapel that had been converted into an intensive care unit in Quezon City, Philippines.



site in New York.



November 3: Finn Washburn 9, receives a Covid-19 vaccine in San Jose, California, Th Food and Drug Administration had just authoriz vaccine for use in children ages 5 to 11.

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December 16:: A NASA spacecraft has officially "touched" the sun, plunging through the unexplored solar atmosphere known as the corona.



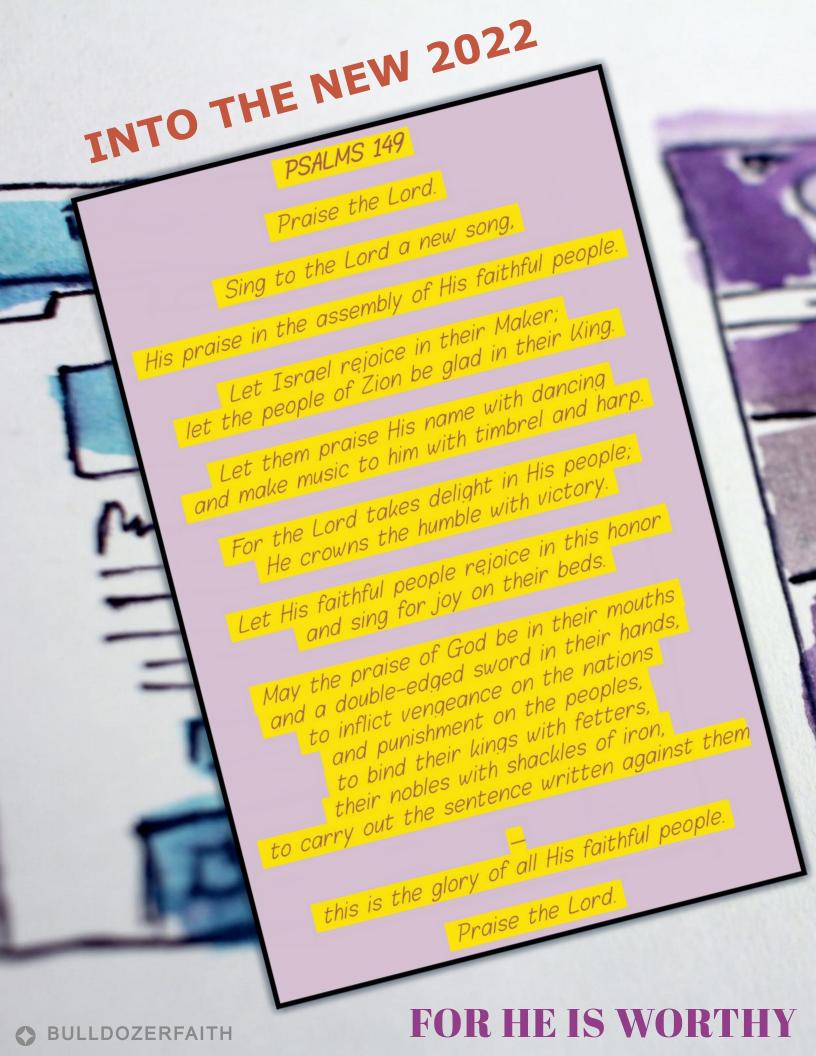
ember 17:: A swarm of tornadoes tore a 200 mile path through the U.S, Midwest and South, demolishing homes and levelling businesses. Approximately 93 people were killed.



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How often have you listened to someone recite Psalm 46:10 — "Be still and know that I am God" — when you express feeling stressed or overwhelmed? Like John 3:16, Psalm 46:10 has become one of those verses that is thrown around as encouragement, but the meaning has gotten lost in its overuse. Do we truly understand what it means to be still? What does the Bible have to say about it?

In Exodus 14, we read that the Israelites have been freed from slavery and led out of Egypt after partaking in the first Passover. Camped by the Red Sea, near Pi Hahiroth, they are following a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, trusting that God will redeem them from their afflictions; however, their worst nightmare comes to pass when they look up and see Pharaoh and his army charging toward them. In a panic, their fear replaces their faith as they cry out to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you brought us to the desert to die? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt? Didn't we say to you in Egypt, 'Leave us alone; let us serve the Egyptians'? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!" (Exodus 14:11-12 NIV)

How quickly do we forget about the promises of God when we turn our gaze onto the danger or affliction that is ahead of us? Rather than allowing his faith to waver like the Israelites, Moses remained firm as he remembered that the Lord had told him, "I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he will pursue them. But I will gain glory for myself through Pharaoh and all his army, and the Egyptians will know that I am the Lord." (Exodus 14:4 NIV) So, lifting his voice over the panic that was rippling through the camp, Moses is the first person in the Bible to declare, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still." (Exodus 14:13-14 NIV)

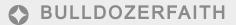
Be still while your enemy is charging toward you? Somehow, my mind pictures a bullfighter waving his red cape and waiting until the last second to move so the bull's horns don't pierce his body — testing how close to death he can come. Just as insane as that scenario is, I'm sure the Israelites hearts were pounding as they listened to Moses' advice and watched as Pharaoh drew nearer. However, just as quickly as Moses tells the Israelites to be still, God commands them to "Move on." Hang on, can someone be still WHILE moving forward? Surely there is a contradiction...

Until recently, I'd never correlated Exodus 14:14-15 with Psalm 46:10. I'd always thought that when we read "Be still" in the Scriptures, it truly meant that we were to stay in place. It wasn't until the topic was broached in a recent zoom call and one of the participant's words hit the bullseye when she said, "In your hearts, be still and know that God is in control; but, that doesn't mean you should stop walking or doing whatever it is you're doing."

"In your hearts, be still and know that God is in control." ~ Kemi G.

Even if the storm is raging around us and our overwhelming fear is saying that God has forsaken us, the story of Exodus is a great reminder that the Lord is always with us, fighting for us and protecting us. It doesn't matter how imminent the danger or high-pressure the task; when we surrender our fears and worries to the Lord and remain firm in our faith, believing that God is on our side, the peace of the Messiah will fall onto us, and we will have the power to emerge from any storm victorious!

Just as the Israelites were delivered from the hands of the Egyptians, God wants to deliver us from the attacks of the Enemy. While we might not physically walk through the parted Red Sea, God is standing behind us with a shield, preventing the flaming arrows from harming us as we walk in faith and live out the calling He has placed on our hearts. Attacks will come, but all we need to do is BE STILL, AND MOVE ON!!



Hannah-rose Russell

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Five years ago I was in front of my computer watching you on a Daily Devotion. You asked us to put our hand on the area we wanted healed. I immediately put my hand on my chest and prayed for healing for asthma as I had suffered with severe asthma for many years l was often hospitaliz and always on medication Our awesome Heavenly Father healed me that do and I have not been on ANY *medications since!* There have been ups and downs since then. We lost our 54 year old sor to cancer and this year and I also lost my husband after 15 years of having alzheimers.

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God is so good and the joy of the Lord is my strength!

I am 86 years old.

Betty
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### PARTNERSHIP IN MINISTRY

Gottalife Ministries is blessed to have a growing partnership base standing with us. We want to encourage newcomers to consider partnering with BulldozerFaith, monthly or as the Ruach HaKodesh leads.

We have been serving the global community of believers for over 28 years through media, online, and traveling ministry. For us, it is not only about people listening to teachings and attending ministry events but also joining together with other like-minded people to engage in missions. Today, we are connected with a growing group of passionate believers from different nations who desire to gather in one designated online space for prayer and encouragement in the Messiah. This has inspired us to launch Crossing Point Global Community to support the calling the Father has placed on our lives and create an environment for us to unite in faith and purpose.

The positive takeaway from the events of 2020 during the Covid-19 pandemic is that we have enjoyed more frequent interaction and online fellowship. Our daily devotional times have been a great source of encouragement and faith-building as we focus on edifying and supporting many on their daily faith walk. Through BulldozerFaith, get ready for more spiritual growth and consider playing a part in our mission to develop ways to interact and build a strong faith community. Crossing Point's focus is to be a new platform developed within Bulldozerfaith as an outreach tool to share with our families and friends, bringing Yeshua's truth through the Torah and the Gospel of the Kingdom. We will be providing better access for personal ministry, prayer groups, and discipleship training to equip and operate more as a faith community where we can serve each other and function better as the body of Messiah, making a difference in others' lives.

Our direction in outreach is in three steps for ministry growth: friendship, relationship, & partnership.

- 1. Friendship Outreach through caring for the needs of others and hands-on personal ministry.
- 2. **Relationship** When we spend time together around the Word in the presence of Elohim, bringing us all to closer relationships, as a family, being one in the Messiah.
- 3. **Partnership** When we establish mutual trust and desire unity together in outreach and fellowship, partnering becomes easy for seeking His Will and being dedicated to giving in time and finances to support the ministry.

We are prayerfully seeking Elohim to bring new partners to join us as the Spirit leads us to continue maintaining the ministry and expanding into the areas of greatest need.

Kenny is available to chat with you if you are considering supporting us in any way, and we thank you for being a part of what Yah is doing through BulldozerFaith. Please send him an email at <u>kenny@bulldozerfaith.com</u>, and we look forward to what YHVH has in store for 2021.

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