

# ARIEL MINISTRIES



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September-  
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**PRAYER  
GUIDE**



Ariel USA  
Texas  
Mary Ann &  
Arnold  
Fruchtenbaum



## Praise Reports

- I have completed the commentary on Jeremiah, which will now go to the editorial committee.
- The Isaiah commentary is nearing the end of the editorial and publishing process.

## Prayer Requests

- Mary Ann is again suffering from new infection(s) that are currently undergoing testing to determine the exact antibody treatment she will need.
- The final editorial and publishing steps of the Isaiah commentary.
- For the editorial process of the commentary on Romans.
- For the editorial process of the next volume of the Come & See Series that will deal with anthropology (doctrine of man) and hamartiology (doctrine of sin).
- I will soon begin writing the commentary on Lamentations. Please pray for its completion by the end of September.
- For my speaking/teaching engagements both locally in San Antonio and also out of town during the fall months.



Home Office  
San Antonio, Texas

## Praise Reports

- Praise the Lord for a tremendous response to the July sale—for the increased number of books that went out including to many new users.
- Thank the Lord for so many who continue to give generously for the work of Ariel Ministries USA as well as to the work of the branches and representatives.
- Praise the Lord that Dr. Fruchtenbaum's books and resources continue to go out all over the world and that the pandemic cannot stop the spread of God's Word!
- Praise the Lord for an encouraging and productive Board meeting in July at the Shoshanah Campus.

## Prayer Requests

- Pray for a smooth process of migration and transition to a new database to be completed during September and that we will quickly learn to use it for greater efficiency and impact for Ariel Ministry.
- Pray also for a smooth transition during September to a new website platform and that this will provide an improved user experience, especially in using the Online Store.
- Please pray that the Home Office staff can effectively provide strategic support for winding up the 2021 Program of Messianic Jewish Studies at the Shoshanah Campus as well as effectively support preparations for next year's program.
- Pray for staff members dealing with ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for the Lord's provision and joy for the many people who are supporting the ministry and that the Lord would touch additional hearts to partner in the work through their giving and praying.



- Please continue to pray for wisdom for the five Board members as they work behind the scenes to provide leadership and direction to the ministry, and as they meet on a quarterly basis. The next meeting will be October 25th.
- Please pray for Jesse Gonzales, our graphic artist, as he and his fiancé, Bea, marry in September and begin their new joyful life together (both had lost their spouses in the past to illness).





Ariel Publishing  
North Carolina  
Christiane Jurik



## Praise Reports

◦ Praise the Lord for allowing the publishing department to finish its work on the Isaiah commentary! The book is now in Dr. Fruchtenbaum's hands for a final review.

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray for the general work of the publishing department and specifically for:
- The editing and proofreading of the Romans commentary
  - The editing of Volume 6 of our Come and See series
  - Dr. Fruchtenbaum's work on the Jeremiah commentary
  - John Metzger's work on *Ariel's Study Bible*
  - The magazine
  - The many translations we are taking care of, including (but not limited to) the French and Chinese translations of Genesis, multiple Gujarati translations, and the German translation of the Isaiah commentary. The translators appreciate your prayers!
- As ongoing prayer requests, please pray for:
- The team of peer reviewers, copy editors, and proofreaders
  - The team of translators around the world
  - Our two graphic designers as they seek to provide inspiring artwork for the magazine, books, advertising, and other needs
  - The many authors who are willing to submit articles for the magazine
  - The sister who formats our eBooks
  - Our social media work



Ariel Online Courses  
Director  
Dr. Mark Adler

## God's Loving Provision:

*And God is able to make all grace abound unto you; that you, having always all sufficiency in everything, may abound unto every good work.*

(2 Corinthians 9:8)

### ◦ **Praise:**

Join me in praising God for the financial provision He is making for our online courses. We have very faithful supporters of this division of Ariel. Due to these sacrificial gifts, we are currently in the midst of implementing major improvements to Ariel's online educational program along with some creative marketing approaches.

### ◦ **Prayer:**

Please pray that God would continue His abundant kindness towards us in this way and that He reward those who have blessed this ministry through financial and prayer support.

## God's Faithful Disciples:

*Whatsoever you do, work heartily, as unto the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that from the Lord you shall receive the recompense of the inheritance: you serve the Lord Messiah. (Colossians 3:23-24)*

### ◦ **Praise:**

Join me in praising God for the many sincere, mature, kind, and hardworking students from many nations who are taking Ariel's online college-level courses.

### ◦ **Prayer:**

Please pray that our online students would continue to be faithful in their studies and that they would use their knowledge to enrich their personal relationship with God, deepen their commitment to know and teach sound doctrine, have genuine love for others, and be effective in reaching the lost sheep of the house of Israel.



## God's Guiding Hand:

*But now, O YHVH, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You are our potter; and we all are the work of Your hand. (Isaiah 64:8)*

◦ **Praise:**

I am thankful to God for the way He has prepared me and continues to train me for developing this online studies program. It is remarkable how God weaves together life experience, education, and skill sets.

◦ **Prayer:**

Please pray everyone involved in this division would make the most of this great opportunity: that all our plans be conceived in wisdom and executed with excellence.





Ariel USA  
Shoshanah Campus  
New York  
Gary & Melissa  
Demers

## Praise Reports

- We praise God for the four weeks of school we had this summer.
- We praise Him for the new office manager, Rebecca Reed.
- We are grateful for the funds that were given to do work on the new cabin we purchased this spring.

## Prayer Requests

- Pray for Fred's salvation and new job.
- Pray for funds to complete projects we have planned for the next year (pavilion at the lake, finishing first floor in the dining hall, building new playground, and installing a new washer/dryer in the office).
- Pray for God's leading and wisdom in preparing the 2022 season at the Shoshanah Campus.







Ariel Australia  
Victoria, Australia  
Chris & Lisa Savage



## Praise Reports

- We praise God
  - For the many who are being blessed through the community of believers from around Australia and the world in the online fellowship through Zoom teaching sessions
  - For the opportunities to bless those who are despairing in these times
  - For life eternal in Messiah
  - For those who continue to support us in prayer, resources, and time. We are extremely grateful.

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray
  - That the COVID-related restrictions that have prevented us from meeting together in our study groups will be lifted
  - That the Lord would bring helpers in the area of social media so that we can use these platforms as effective tools for discipling
  - That I will be able to find an effective balance between teaching and evangelizing
  - For continued divine appointments where we can preach the gospel

Keep praying for continued boldness in the work of disciple-making that God will

- Open a door for the Word especially among the Jewish people
- Enable us to declare the mystery that is Messiah
- Enable us to speak with clarity
- Give us the words to speak on each occasion



Ariel Canada  
Montreal, Quebec  
Jacques & Sharon  
Gabizon

## Praise Reports

◦ We are looking forward to the upcoming baptisms in early September, coinciding with the first Fall Feast. We have at least two candidates who will be testifying to their faith.

## Prayer Requests

◦ Please continue to pray for the ongoing translation work into French. The commentary on Acts is completed but is in its last stage of proofing.

◦ Please pray for the ongoing street-to-street and park-to-park outreach. We are waiting to return to our door-to-door outreach as soon as the pandemic allows.

◦ We are excited for the French radio to begin airing our programs. We now have a third station that will allow us to teach the premillennial biblical stance, especially as it concerns Israel's place in God's plan for the ages.





Ariel Canada  
Montreal, Quebec  
Jackie Fierman

## Praise Reports

- Praise the Lord for a good teaching schedule online. I have also had two teaching weekends out of town for the first time in nearly a year!
- Thank God for continuous good health, safety, and financial support in these different times.
- I am so grateful to be able to participate in the street evangelism Beth Ariel has been doing here in Montreal. When possible, I go out twice a week.
- A new Christian French radio station bent on putting out the dispensational view in Quebec City in these last days has offered me opportunities to use their new studios... for free!

## Prayer Requests

- Pray for how I and the branch should use the services of the new radio station. Amillennialism is growing in French Canada with the replacement theology that accompanies it. Churches are “dropping” Israel.
- Please continue to pray for direction as I navigate the pandemic guidelines and look for how to best continue to evangelize and make disciples. Pray for continued good opportunities to teach in both English and French online. I hope to do some traveling in the coming months if COVID restrictions permit it.
- May the teaching I am privileged to share accomplish all the Lord desires.
- Please pray for continued good health and safety.
- Please pray for the salvation of my siblings, nieces, nephews, and extended family.





Ariel China  
Evergreen

## Praise Reports

- We praise the Lord:
  - For your ongoing prayer support
  - For His special work in our church ministry
  - For the two mature believers who joined the church and are now helping us in our work
  - For the strength and wisdom God provides and that is necessary to continue our translation work

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray
  - For wisdom as we seek to properly serve the church since it reopened
  - For wisdom as we are using Ariel's material in our ministry to the church
  - For the translating, proofreading, and publishing of the abridged version of *Yeshua – The Life of Messiah from a Messianic Jewish Perspective*
  - For the video project we have been working on and that is to reach and teach more and more Chinese-speaking believers
  - For the development of our tea
  - For the work on our website
  - For opportunities to develop friendships with Messianic believers in our city
  - For believers in China, especially for their safety and comfort during times of persecution
  - For a job for our daughter Weiting who will graduate next year





Ariel Germany  
Duesseldorf,  
Germany

*(This branch is led  
by a team of ten  
dedicated people with  
a heart for Jewish  
mission work.)*



## Praise Reports

- We praise the Lord
  - For His guidance regarding the building and property we had intended to purchase in Germany
  - That no major damage occurred in spite of the repeated flooding of our warehouse
  - For exciting new ministry contacts in the Netherlands

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray that the Ariel Germany team stays focused on its goals despite all the turmoil and divisions caused by the pandemic and the global situation. We want to be found faithful in what the Lord has entrusted to us and make wise use of the time and opportunities we still have.
- Please also pray
  - For God's guidance in finding the right building to maintain and build up the ministry
  - For favor with those who have so generously donated to the previous building project so that these funds can still be used toward the purchase of another property
  - For the many translation projects we are working on



Ariel Hungary  
Urom, Hungary  
Ivan & Rita Nagy



## Praise Reports

### ◦ Praise the Lord

- That we are able to continue our fellowship at the same place where we were before the pandemic
- For a letter we received expressing gratitude for the teaching material that has been translated into Hungarian and is now available on our homepage
- That many small fellowships use this material
- For a youth summer camp during which Dr. Fruchtenbaum's "Life of Messiah" course was taught
- For the fact that our daughter was able to participate in this camp
- That Ivan was able to teach about the gift of prophecy in a Chinese church in Budapest

## Prayer Requests

◦ We have been meeting with a Jewish friend of ours to study Jewish law. Our friend often brings other guests, and there have been many opportunities to share our faith with these Jewish people. Please pray for the meetings.

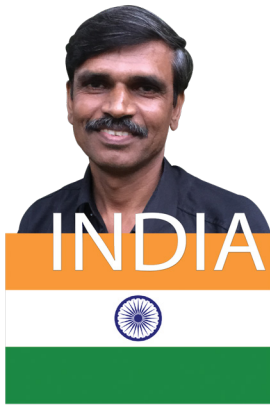
◦ Please pray with us for the Jewish Holocaust survivor who has been attending our fellowship online and has heard the gospel presented from the Jewish perspective many times. She is now reading the Gospels. Rita visits her on a regular basis. The two ladies have great conversations about the Messiah. Please pray for these meetings.

◦ Please also pray

- For our fellowship meetings
- That Dr. Fruchtenbaum's video about the gospel may reach many people in Hungary
- For the sister in our fellowship who regularly visits Holocaust survivors
- For the finances that are necessary to continue the work in Hungary
- Against anti-Semitism in Hungary

- For Rita as she studies Hebrew with a group of other people
- For Ivan's workload as a teacher of both music and the Bible
- For Ivan to receive more opportunities to teach some of his students one-on-one
- For the health of the entire family, including Rita's mother
- For our daughter Noemi





Ariel India  
Ahmedabad, India  
Bakul Christian

## Praise Reports

- I am praising God for the opportunities that He has given me to teach. Currently, I am teaching three Bible studies per week.
- I am currently preparing a documentary about the Jewish community in Gujarat. The footage has already been recorded and is in the editing stages. Once the film is done, it will be put on YouTube.

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray
  - For the translator who is working on the Come and See series, as the work is progressing but too slowly for our liking
  - For the translation of *HaMashiach – The Messiah in the Hebrew Scriptures*
  - For my health, as I am still facing breathing problems and had to go to the hospital numerous times in the last months
  - For my wife's health (heart and cholesterol problems)
  - For peace in India
- As a specific prayer request, please remember our daughter Selena. While she is a permanent resident of Canada, she has not received her Permanent Residency card yet. She will need this document to fly to India for her wedding in September. India has been hit by a third wave of COVID, and most countries stopped their flights to and from India. Please pray that the Lord would open the doors for Selena to come home and get married to her fiancée.







Ariel Israel  
Near Natanya  
Sasha & Lilian G.

## Praise Reports

- The Lord has been very gracious to us and has answered many of your and our prayers positively. We just received a gift from a faithful friend of the ministry that will cover the costs of building up the Ariel Israel website in Russian!
- A new respectful, knowledgeable, and faithful brother has joined our media team as a content writer. We are praising our Lord for this development.
- Over the recent months, Ariel Israel's social media team has worked hard on our Instagram presence. Instagram is a platform used by the younger demographic and has therefore become an increasingly important part of our work. At the same time, the social media team continued to maintain its focus on the growth and impact of Facebook. In July, we were able to reach just under 40,000 Israelis through both platforms.

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray
  - For the team that is working on the Russian website
  - For wisdom and creativity for those who are building this website
  - For wisdom and creativity for those who are promoting the ministry via social media posts
  - For those in the team who are managing Ariel's wonderful content and digital assets
  - those who visit the website of Ariel Israel— that unbelievers may be touched by the light of the gospel and that believers may grow deeper in their knowledge of the Word of God





Ariel Italy  
Paolo Speciale &  
Martina Pifferi Speciale

## Praise Reports

- We praise the Lord
  - For His mercy and safety during our move to the north of Italy
  - For all the contacts we were able to make through our social media pages and the website, as many of the people who reached out to us are Jewish unbelievers
  - For all the people supporting us in prayer, volunteering their time and skills, and through donations

## Prayer Requests

- We ask you to pray for:
  - Guidance and wisdom in reaching the Jewish community close to where we now live, while staying in touch with the one in Florence
  - The translation and revision projects that need to be completed—that the Lord may give us the necessary intelligence and accuracy while we work
  - New strength as we continue to sow seeds—that the harvest be abundant for the glory of our Almighty Father
  - For O., our Hebrew teacher—that she might find the courage to read the Bible we gave her
  - For L., a Jewish friend of ours, who received numerous Ariel manuscripts and has heard the gospel many times





Ariel Liberia  
Wion and Shirley  
Wleh

## Praise Reports

- We are thankful to God for Dr. Fruchtenbaum, his family, and immediate co-workers. We are also thankful to Him for all of you, our prayer partners and supporters. We want to encourage you to continue your prayers. They are fighting battles for us. We are surviving and continue to be strong in the ministry through these prayers.
- In August, we started teaching two new classes. Most of our students are bishops, pastors, and church leaders. Many are developing an interest in the Messianic Jewish perspective of the Scriptures and have begun using Ariel's materials in their local churches and ministries.
- Beginning September, Wion will also be teaching the material in a Bible college.
- Shirley is conducting a discipleship class for young women using the Ariel material. She is also using the material for her lessons at church.

## Prayer Requests

- Pray for our country. Many people are dying of COVID-related issues in Liberia. Pray for their families.
- May Yeshua heal our land and other countries that are going through the same.
- Pray for the students of our Messianic Jewish Studies and the organic agriculture training we offer.
- Pray for the churches we planted as services continue in our country despite COVID.
- Pray for support for both Ariel Liberia and True Vine Organic Ministries.
- Pray for Shirley's work as there is a need for discipleship among women.
- Pray for the salvation of the people we reach with the gospel.





Ariel New Zealand  
Auckland, New  
Zealand  
Johan van Vuuran



## Praise Reports

- Praise God for all He has done and provided for Ariel NZ.
- Praise the Lord with us for the study groups all over the country that are using Ariel material. We see lives impacted as people are coming to a proper understanding of God's Word.
- Praise God for the love and encouragement from our families.

## Prayer Requests

- Please continue to pray that the Lord will add to the number of people who attend the study groups. Also continue in prayer that the growth is such that from these groups leaders will emerge who can start their own study groups. Also pray that people use what they are learning in their sphere of influence.
- Please pray for our Board to make humble and wise decisions regarding our work in New Zealand.
- Please continue to pray for healing, as some of the members and their wives are experiencing health issues. Also please pray for my health as I am also experiencing some health problems.
- Please continue to pray that the New Zealand borders will open and that we can have Israeli backpackers visiting our country again. Also please pray that in the meantime the hosts will prepare and gain knowledge of how to witness to the backpackers.
- Please continue to pray that I receive more bookings for speaking engagements at churches and small groups.
- Please continue to pray that we can reach more people by teaching the Scriptures from a Jewish perspective.



Ariel USA  
Dallas/Fort Worth,  
Texas  
Dr. Jeffrey Gutterman  
Director

## Praise Reports

◦ Praise for the technology that has allowed the Dallas/Fort Worth Branch to reach people around the world. More and more are attending each month to hear the Word of God being taught.

## Prayer Requests

- Prayer for:
  - The peace of Jerusalem
  - The United States of America
  - The opening of ears and hearts of those who have not received Yeshua as their Messiah
  - The health and well-being of the Home Office staff and Ariel branches around the world





Ariel USA  
North Carolina  
John & Sharon  
Metzger

## Praise Reports

- Praise the Lord that I am about 90% recovered from COVID. If you wish a full update, please email me for a copy of our newsletter ([EhbedAriel@gmail.com](mailto:EhbedAriel@gmail.com)).
- I am grateful that after several weeks of recovery I was able to get back to working on the *Ariel Study Bible*.
- Praise for God's healing touch in my wife's life as well.
- Praise the Lord for the speaking opportunities in September and October.

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray for my work on the *Ariel Study Bible*.
- Please pray for God's protection during the following travels:
  - September 12th, I will be traveling to a supporting church in New York.
  - In October, Sharon and I will be traveling to northwestern Pennsylvania to speak in a local church and participate in the 50th wedding anniversary of a couple we helped get together.
  - I will be going to the Pennsylvania State Sunday School Convention in Chambersburg to lead a workshop and man a book table for Ariel Ministries (Oct. 23).
  - I will be holding a three-day Bible conference in a church in South Carolina about an hour from us (Oct. 25-27).





Ariel USA  
Rock Hill, SC  
Jack Nakashima

## Praise Reports

- We have been busy with a variety of different things, and much has been accomplished over the last few months.
- I am slowly getting used to teaching on camera and editing the video. Beyond teaching the book of Revelation, other topics are already being asked for.
- We were asked to share about missions with young children. Normally, I only make presentations to adults, but the children were very enthusiastic and interactive.

## Prayer Requests

- My wife will spend most of September in Tanzania, focused on evangelism and ministering to (and with) orphans.
- Please pray for wisdom and direction regarding Ariel Fellowship in South Carolina. We are considering changing the meeting time and location.
- Lord willing, I will be making a ministry trip to Florida in October. Please pray for this trip.
- Please continue to keep my work with Ariel Online Courses in your prayers.
- There are a number of unmentioned issues that we are praying about. Please join us in seeking God's direction.





Ariel USA  
New Mexico  
Roberto Anchondo

## Prayer Requests

- Pray for the evangelistic team in Mexico. We just had an outreach in Juarez, and a new Bible study was started for the people who accepted the Lord. Please pray for these new believers and the pastor who is hosting the Bible study.
- Presently, I am ministering to three Jewish individuals, two of whom are atheists and one who claims to believe in the Messiah but not as Deity. One of the atheists asks many questions, and the other is still very reluctant. However, every time I meet with them, we end up talking about the Lord.
- Please pray for my health. It has declined in the last several months.
- Please pray for our Saturday Bible study. People are hungry to know about the last days.







Gefen International  
Israeli Network

## Praise Reports

- We praise the Lord
  - For enquiries from Israelis to the network and hosts as part of the northern hemisphere summer season
  - For the easing of travel restrictions from Israel and within certain countries where our network operates
  - For the Israelis who got to travel to Italy, Switzerland, and Bulgaria
  - For the four Israeli Messianic believers who are using the network after just finishing their army service
  - For the families with little children who are staying with hosts
  - For all the opportunities we have had to sow seeds, read the Scriptures, and discuss our faith in Yeshua with Israelis

## Prayer Requests

- Please pray
  - For enquiries from Israelis to continue to grow, both to the network and to hosts
  - For more progress to be made between governments and airlines of certain countries who are wanting to ease travel restrictions where it seems increasingly possible to do so
  - That the Israeli Messianic believers using the network would have good opportunities to share the good news of Messiah with other Israeli travelers they meet
  - That all the continuous seed sowing among Israelis would see many more come to a saving faith in Yeshua the Messiah
  - For the Lord's provision for every host, prayer, and financial supporter of this outreach
  - For the Lord's provision for all the costs involved to maintain and grow the outreach at His leading



## Our Purpose

Ariel Ministries exists in order to evangelize Jewish people and to disciple Jewish and Gentile believers through intensive Bible teaching from a Jewish perspective.

## What Can You Do?

- Share the love of Messiah with a Jewish friend or neighbor.
- Study the scriptures from a Jewish perspective so that you will be able to present Messiah in a Jewish context.
- Pray for the work of Ariel Ministries and for the salvation of the Jewish people.
- Share the Jewish perspective of Scripture with other believing friends.
- Encourage your pastor or congregational leader to hold a Bible conference.
- Undergird the work of Ariel by partnering with us financially.
- We are here to serve you, pray for you, and work with you. Thank you for committing to the vision of Ariel Ministries.



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