



# MAKOR HATIKVAH

## A MESSIANIC HEBREW DAY SCHOOL IN THE HEART OF JERUSALEM

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”הִנֵּה נִחַלַת יְהוָה  
בְּנִים שְׂכָר פְּרִי  
הַבֶּטֶן”  
תהילים פרק קכז: 3

*Behold, children are a  
heritage from the Lord,  
The fruit of the womb is  
a reward.  
Psalm 127:3*

## ISRAEL RANKS #4 FOR BEST PLACE TO RAISE CHILDREN

According to a recent international poll, Israel is a wonderful place to raise children and ranks #4 above England, the U.S., France and Canada. Reasons cited were the level of education, attractions for children, level of self-confidence and just an individual sense of well-being. The poll checked issues such as access to education, expense and quality of education, health services. One poll respondent, a mother of two children, age 6 and 8 living in Israel for the last two years stated, “Israel is a country where anything is possible. There are wonderful things like the great weather, the fabulous food and the rich culture. These are great things to experience together as a family.” (Translated from Yediot Ahronot, Aug. 30, 2015)





## LETTER FROM MANAGING DIRECTOR

*What a joy it has been to receive so many new students this year, a number of whom are new to Israel.* Each one of them is discovering that Makor HaTikvah is much more than a school. It is a feeling of “family” and “home,” – a place where they can feel safe, are able to express themselves and have immediate acceptance. It is a place where they can pray first thing in the morning and invoke God’s blessing on the day. It is a place where they can study in a calm and peaceful environment without fear of bullying, rejection, pressure or so many of the other issues which are rife in almost every Israeli school. There is no question that the Lord has provided such a school for such a time as this – a time when more and more Jews are choosing to return to their homeland as a result of much unrest in the world. You are helping to provide this educational choice as you continue to support Makor HaTikvah and partner with us to make sure that we are able to meet all of our many financial obligations until such time as we are able to receive government funding. Thanks again from all of our staff and all of our parents for the role you are playing.

*Makor  
HaTikvah  
is much more  
than a school.*

With Much Gratitude and Thanksgiving,  
Cookie Schwaeber-Issan  
Managing Director, Makor HaTikvah Messianic Hebrew Day School  
Along with all of our staff

## TWICE REJECTED, TWICE CHOSEN



You won’t want to miss the poignant, beautiful story “Twice Rejected, Twice Chosen,” written by one of our parents about the blessing of adopting children. It’s sure to inspire and bring a smile to your face. It can be accessed at our website [www.makorhatikvah.org](http://www.makorhatikvah.org) by pressing the “Articles” tab.



## ADOPT A STUDENT

This year, we have at least 12 students whose families are unable to pay their monthly tuition of 850 NIS per month (\$212). As you know, we initiated our



Joseph Reserve Scholarship Fund a number of years ago just for this purpose, but the fund is nearly depleted, and if you’d like to help one of these struggling families, please let us know. What a great blessing this will be to these families who would otherwise have no way to send their children to our school.

## MEET OUR NEW STAFF

### Tamir

Tamir is a qualified special ed teacher who has joined us this year and will be working with specific students one on one. Tamir, a strong believer of 16 years and father of four is presently working on his Masters Degree in learning disabilities and we believe he will be a great asset to our school.



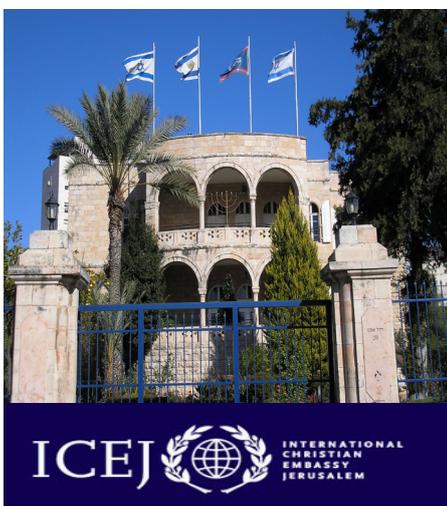
### Dina

We have been blessed to find a believing psychologist named Dina, who came to live in Israel five years ago from Colombia after marrying an Israeli. She is also the mother of two girls. We believe that Dina will be a great addition to our staff and will also fulfill the requirements of the Ministry of Education, which included having a that we have a trained psychologist in our school.



### Yael

Yael, our new native English speakers' teacher moved to Israel with her family almost 5 years ago from the U.S. where she worked as an elementary school teacher. She also holds a degree in psychology and has a teaching certificate in elementary education. She and her family are strong believers, and we are blessed to have her join our team this year.



# Thank you!

*Special thanks goes to the International Christian Embassy for their recent donation of 10 laptops to our school. This is such a great blessing to us, and we appreciate their constant help to our school each year.*

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

Without your continued help with these special funds and projects we would not be able to meet the needs of our students.

### **A/C needed for the Media and IT Dept. (New)**

We need to install an A/C unit in the IT dept as the school's server is located in this office and needs to be cooled. 2,100 NIS (\$554).

### **Electrical Maintenance Work Needed (New)**

We need to do some electrical maintenance to make sure our school stays in regulation (code) and is safe for our students. 10,000 NIS (\$2,632)

### **New Office for the Media and IT Dept.**

As the school needed to make room for the Media/IT Department before the 2015-16 school year began we had to go ahead and build the new area. Please consider helping us cover this cost of 10,000 NIS (\$3,800).

### **Renovations for the 2015-16 School Year**

We continue to work on these renovations right now as the school year begins. We greatly appreciate any help given towards this unavoidable work every school year. We desire to provide the best facility we can for our students and staff.

### **Tax Debt (Ongoing)**

We've made some inroads in our tax debt and are now down to 277,000 NIS (\$72,000). It would be great to end 2015 debt free, and we are praying for that to happen!

### **Transportation Help for Trips (Ongoing)**

Donations to this fund will help our school to finance holiday activities as well as transportation for school trips. Projected costs are: 12,000 NIS / \$3,157

### **Extra-Curricular Activities (Ongoing)**

Our Middle School students are offered elective programs in addition to their academic studies. Last semester, we offered Robotics as well as jewelry making. This semester, we are offering a course in photography and home-making. Unfortunately, the fund for these activities has been completely depleted by last semester's activities. If you'd like to donate towards this, please indicate that with your gift.

# MAKOR MAILBAG FROM AROUND THE GLOBE



 Great! It looks almost like a family album. ;))  
Ari N., Finland

 I know the Lord will keep blessing you and the school this upcoming year. I am excited to hear all the good news and your reports. I wish my boys were studying there. M. S. (China)

 I enjoy receiving the newsletter from your school as it clearly reflects how God is at work! Lots of struggles & challenges, but God is in charge.  
Candice C.V., Dallas, TX

 I have just forwarded to many here & abroad your letter, & pray for more prayer & responses for Makor HaTikvah. Thrilling report from Australia/NZ friends. You are in our prayers constantly The Lord Bless you as you begin the new term on Sep 1. with significant events to happen any moment...Isa 10:27.... The Lord will be YOUR Shield. Audrey & Reggie E (Sri Lanka)

 What an awesome newsletter....so many great stories of inspiration and "can do attitude." It was just an absolute pleasure to get you here and to be involved with MHT. What an Awesome God we serve. Pete and Sandy S., Australia

 Thanks for this. We hope and pray you will have another good year and the Lord will bless you in all you do. We look forward to more news in due course! Best wishes Frank and Sue Flynn, (UK)

 Just read the newsletter and it's amazing to see how God is increasing and growing the school. My heart is broken that I can't do more for you financially when I see the needs. I was blessed with a surprise amount of funds that I specifically prayed for to get out of debt and was able to settle a large debt with it, Praise God. Please pray with me that He would increase me financially so I can give into works like yours. I tithe and support three foster children, which is the most I can do, in addition to driving sick people around and helping out from my home and my heart. God bless you... what testimonies there will be to share in eternity! Linda M.

 You are doing a great work for the Kingdom of God and I want to encourage you to keep going, even though many times I'm sure it is "uphill!" The grace and mercy of Yeshua be multiplied to you and everyone involved in this valuable work. Grace P. (U.K.)

## MHT STUDENTS'

## ART

For a mere 150 NIS (\$35) plus postage, you can own a genuine MHT painting stretched out on a canvas frame. Think of what these paintings might be worth one day if the artist (one of our MHT students) becomes known. You are able to choose a picture from one of our postcard collections. Just write to [principal@makorhatikvah.org](mailto:principal@makorhatikvah.org) and let us know which one you want.



## DONATE TODAY!

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Makor HaTikvah School  
Account number: 033588  
Bank sort code: 31-012  
SWIFT Code: FIRBILITXXX  
IBAN: IL350310120000000033588

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Swift: LUMILITBSC  
IBAN: i104 0109 0200 0000 2991  
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