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2024-25 ANNUAL REPORT

JERUSALEM-CENTERED CHRISTIANITY Ø

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe, but **Eagles' Wings is nearing the completion of a remarkable milestone year in which we celebrated our 30th anniversary!** For the last three decades, Eagles' Wings has been sounding a clear and urgent call to awaken the Church to spiritual vitality and to actively support Israel.

In that time the vision of unity, spiritual awakening, and courageous standing with Israel has grown into a movement that stretches across the globe. **Thanks to our amazing partners and friends who have prayed and sowed continually**, Eagles' Wings is today at the forefront of Jewish-Christian relations. Our online events and courses are awakening believers to the urgency of the hour to know and act upon the Jewish roots of their faith. We are bringing hundreds of Christians to Israel each year, including young adults, emerging pastors, and strategic leaders to give them a firsthand perspective of the Holy Land and to raise up "Watchmen on the Wall" for Zion.

We are living in a moment unprecedented in history where, less than one hundred years after the atrocities of the Holocaust, we are once again witnessing the horrifying rise of violent antisemitism and anti-Zionism on a global scale, as well as multi-faceted attacks against the State of Israel, especially in the months following October 7th, 2023. **This is not a time for the Church to be silent.** Much like Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German Christian pastor who stood up against the evil of Nazism, the global Church must awaken and arise to stand with Israel and the Jewish people as never before.

Together, through the continued generosity and participation of our partners, amazing volunteers, and dedicated staff, our global movement is growing and making a lasting impact. Through the ongoing growth of our **Hechler Legacy Society** and newly launched **Israel Christian Nexus Pastors Network**, we are establishing a solid foundation to continue to advance this vital mission well into the next century.

In this new year and beyond, Eagles' Wings will continue to be at the forefront of calling the Church to its role as a light to the world and **educating and mobilizing believers around the world to stand strong for Israel**. In this milestone year, we have renewed our commitment to this call and will continue to do so in the years ahead. It is because of partners like you that this vital work is possible. The reports on these pages are a testament to your commitment, and together, we will see even greater things in the days to come, for Zion's sake.

Shalom

Bishop Robert Stearns Executive Director, Eagles' Wings

OUR MISSION

Cultivating a global community that is passionately reunited with our spiritual heritage.





RETURN TO JERUSALEM-CENTERED CHRISTIANITY

We help the global Christian community rediscover the rich spiritual heritage of our faith through dialogue and education with Jewish and Christian leaders. (Acts 2:42-44)



UNITY

In the midst of an increasingly divisive culture, we work to strengthen relationships and build bridges across racially, culturally, and spiritually diverse communities. (Psalm 133)



GOD'S COVENANT WITH THE JEWISH PEOPLE AND THE LAND OF ISRAEL

As antisemitism is on the rise, we mobilize Christians around the world to stand with Israel and the Jewish people in prayer and action. (Amos 9:11)





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HOURS OF ONLINE EDUCATION BROADCAST THROUGH TV, RADIO, & MEDIA





It is estimated that there are more than 85 million evangelical Christians in the United States and 600 million globally. **Over the past thirty years, Eagles' Wings has focused on awakening this "sleeping giant"** to reconnect to the Jewish roots of the Christian faith and, with that spiritual vitality, sounding an urgent call to stand with Israel and the Jewish people.



After three decades we have come to believe that antisemitism is a fixable problem, and the best way to fight antisemitism is to create philosemites in the global Evangelical Christian community. Our strategy involves ongoing education, building relationships across diverse communities of the Judeo-Christian tradition, and engaging in advocacy and awareness to change the culture.

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Eagles' Wings does an incredible job connecting the global church to our spiritual homeland. I'm so honored to be a part."

~ Pastor Eduardo N, Lisbon, Portugal



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MOBILIZING THE CHURCH

WHERE ARE YOU CHURCH? Eagles' Wings has spent the last three decades sounding an alarm to the Christian community globally that we must stand with Israel and the Jewish people. Bishop Stearns has shared this message with millions

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1. Christians mobilized by Eagles' Wings for an Israel Rally at the University of Buffalo. **2.** Eagles' Wings marshaled Christians from across the tri-state area to stand for Israel in the midst of a pro-Hamas rally in Times Square on the anniversary of October 7th. **3.** Bishop Stearns with Tennessee Governor, Bill Lee,

around the world via television, radio, and his books *No We Can't* and *The Cry of Mordecai*. In the aftermath of October 7th, the horrific rise of antisemitism and Jew-hatred on a global scale has made the call even more urgent.

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presenting a petition signed by tens of thousands of Christians urging response to a horrific antisemitic attack against an Israel organization which threatened to shut down their conference. 4. Bishop Stearns sounding the shofar at a Christian event in Boston, MA. 5. Bishop teaching an online workshop to Christians, entitled "Why Stand with Israel" which had over 10,000 views in the first week.



1. Pastors from across America experience the land of Israel together. 2. Bishop Robert Stearns meets with a core group of key leaders in preparation for the launch of the Israel Christian Nexus Pastors Network.

PASTORS TRIPS Eagles' Wings has brought over **600 pastors** from **34 states** and **21 nations** to Israel for a life-transforming experience. The trip has so impacted the pastors that **69%** bring their congregations with them for a return trip within the next twelve to eighteen months.

PASTORS NETWORK We are also launching the Israel Christian Nexus Pastors Network. This relational network will unite pastors and leaders in education, relationships, and advocacy on behalf of Israel and the Jewish people. Hundreds of pastors have joined, and it will soon be the **largest pro-Israel pastors' network** in the United States. The Pastors Trip was incredible. I was not prepared for how greatly it would impact my ministry moving forward."

Pastor Gerald M, Garden City Church, Columbus, OH

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS Eagles' Wings has established strategic partnerships with several large church networks and denominations. Recently, Eagles' Wings partnered with the **National Christian Hispanic Leadership Conference**, the largest Hispanic/Latino Christian organization in America, to oversee all their pro-Israel initiatives. Eagles' Wings also works closely with the **Pentecostal Church of God** and the **International Church of the Foursquare Gospel** on strategic projects to educate pastors and their congregations.



EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION 18-30 YEAR OLDS

For over twenty years, Eagles' Wings has been gathering the best and brightest Christian college students to bring to Israel for an educational and spiritual experience, seeing the biblical sites and also meeting with leaders in education, government,

My trip to Israel with Eagles' Wings changed my life forever. My experience has shaped how I view everything in my life and ministry."

~ Joannah D, Hamilton, AL

1. Young people from a dozen states visiting the Dead Sea as part of the Young Adult trip to Israel. 2. Young people on Eagles' Wings trip at the Nova Music Festival site, where hundreds were killed on October 7th. 3. Young adults volunteering at an Abraham's Bread Feeding Center to care for those in need.

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business, and religion, to have an educated heart for Israel. Since then, students from **105 colleges and universities**, including many Ivy League institutions, have completed the program. Some have continued on to prominent places in politics, business, and church leadership.



EXTENDING LOVE & SUPPORT

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Since October 7th, Eagles' Wings has been on the frontlines of the battle Israel has been facing. Bishop Stearns and Eagles' Wings have **led the global church in reaching out with care and practical support to the people of Israel** in the midst of war.

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Bishop Stearns with a school group of young Jewish boys at the Western Wall in Jerusalem.





1. Abraham's Bread worker preparing boxes of food for distribution. 2. Soldiers on the frontlines sharing a meal provided by Abraham's Bread. 3. Volunteers help pack care packages for displaced families from



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Though much of the world has turned against Israel, our Eagles' Wings family has been such a strength and support, feeding thousands of displaced families and troops on the frontlines."

Mimi Rozmaryn, Director, Abraham's Bread

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Our Abraham's Bread Feeding Centers have fed and cared for **tens of thousands** of soldiers that are on the frontlines, as well as providing needed supplies and household goods to some of the over 90,000 that have been displaced from their homes since October 7th. In addition to food and supplies, Eagles' Wings has also partnered with United Hatzalah, a community-based volunteer emergency medical service (EMS) organization, providing **medical equipment and supplies for first responders** on the frontlines. Finally, we have **provided needed equipment to at-risk communities inside Israel** to allow them to properly secure and protect their properties and agriculture. Many of these communities are surrounded by hostile Arab villages and are fearful for their own lives and safety.

the South. 4. Elderly holocaust survivor picking up a special package for Shabbat dinner. 5. Young soldier receiving a new helmet for protection as he defends his community.



PLANTING HOPE

FOREST OF LIFE In 2022, Eagles' Wings launched the "Forest of Life," an initiative to plant over 3,000 trees in desolate parts of the Judean wilderness. The trees will provide both fruit to harvest and other natural resources to Israelis. In addition, the couple who oversee the "Forest of Life" have for the last 20 years employed at-risk youth to help them learn needed skills like carpentry, animal husbandry, and horticulture to help them provide for themselves when they age out of government mandated programs. The farm is located in the very valley the prophet Hosea wrote about, "There I will give her back her vineyards, and will make the Valley of Achor a door of hope..." (Hosea 2:15, NIV).





It is wonderful to partner with Eagles' Wings in restoring the land of Israel, and fulfilling biblical prophecy in making the desert bloom once again!"

~ Omer and Na'ama, Directors of the Forest of Life

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FOREST OF LIFE



Scan to Plant a Tree

1. Bishop Robert Stearns planting a tree in the Forest of Life. 2. Michael and Daniel Stearns with Na'ama and a fresh crop of mangos.

3. Pastor Todd Schumacher of Church of the King in Lake Charles, LA, preparing to plant a tree.



Twenty twenty-four (2024) marked the 30th anniversary of Eagles' Wings. Over 200 friends, partners, and leaders from around the world came together for a gala dinner to mark the occasion. With the theme "From Here to the Nations" the gala featured speeches from internationally recognized Jewish and Christian leaders, as well as video greetings from leaders from around the world including former Israeli Ambassador Gilad Erdan, Gordon Robertson of CBN, Rabbi Marc Schneier, and many more. At the gala, a beautiful 100-page tribute book was presented featuring images and stories from the last three decades.

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Eagles' Wings team members from over the 30 years of ministry came together to celebrate.

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1. Over 200 people gathered in Buffalo, NY, to honor Bishop Stearns and Eagles' Wings on their thirtieth anniversary. **2.** Longtime friends, Pastor

Rusty Nelson of The Rock Family Worship Center and Jewish leader David Nekrutman of the Isaiah Project, embrace. 3. Bishop Stearns with Pastor





Barbara and Bishop Joseph Garlington, who was the keynote speaker for the evening. **4.** Eagles' Wings team members Veronica and Stephen Jenks with founding team member Denise Roe. **5.** Bishop David Thomas and Pastor Judy Shaw emcee the gala celebration.









 The 30th Anniversary Gala was a beautiful evening to remember.
Bishop Stearns addresses the assembled guests.
Founding partner Loretta Levengood is honored for her years of prayer and support. **4.** Eagles' Wings team members Ryan Delling, Benjamin Deitrick, Mark Passarella based in Asia, and Marcus Ahrend from Germany fellowshipping at the Gala. **5.** The Eagles'

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Wings 30th Anniversary Tribute Book. 6. Team member Kelly Fleming and founding partner Loretta Levengood. 7. A moment of worship to remember God's faithfulness these three decades. 8. Bishop Stearns with Jewish leaders Bahram and Doris Nour-Omid from Los Angeles. 9. Rabbi Pini Dunner from Beverly Hills Synagogue offers remarks at the Gala.



HONORING THE LEGACY OF

PASTOR (1934-2023) JACKHAYFORD

No one influenced and shaped my life more than Jack Hayford. Growing up, he was, from a distance, a leader of leaders in the evangelical movement, and the unquestioned leader of the charismatic/ Pentecostal wing of the movement.

I read his books, studied from his Hayford Study Bible, and sang his songs, including "Majesty", which we all sang, seemingly in every service for at least a decade. It was our definitive global worship anthem.

If there was one Christian statesman who I sought to pattern my life after, it was Jack Hayford. His heart for worship, the Word, for bridge building, and for Israel and the Jewish people all struck the deepest chords in my heart.

More than two decades ago Pastor Jack and I first met and had breakfast, in Jerusalem, the city where we would be together so many times in the future.

Literally, from that meeting forward, we were on a journey together that lasted many years. He and his wife Anna came to several Eagles'Wings Jerusalem Banquets, both in New York and Los Angeles, where he spoke and raised support for our work. They hosted gatherings on behalf of Eagles' Wings in their home, introducing us to pastors and rabbis and leaders.

He flew to NYC to join me for the initial meeting in the Israeli Consulate, which would eventually grow into the Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem, which he co-chaired with me.

When Pastor Jack retired from active ministry and sought to pass on the work of the Israel Christian Nexus, started by himself and his lifelong Jewish friend General Shimon Erem, he called me to his office and asked me to take on leadership of this work in Los Angeles, which, I am grateful, continues and is thriving to this day.

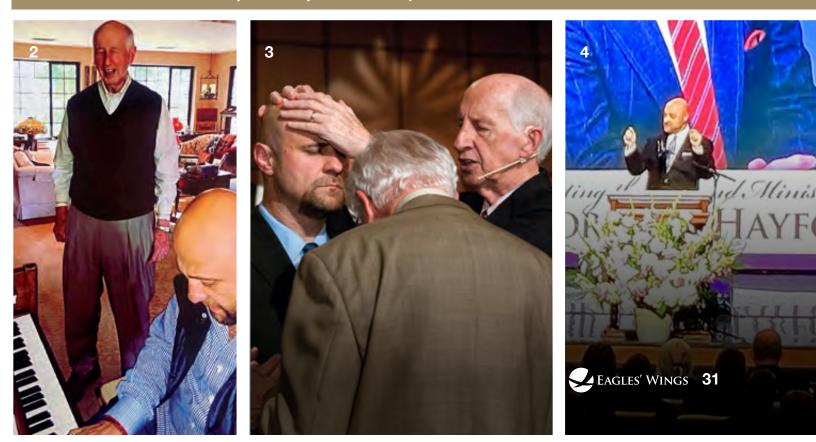
Ten years ago, when the Bishop's mantle was passed to me from Bishop Tommy Reid, Pastor Jack flew out to Buffalo to oversee that sacred ordination.

I will forever cherish the memory of he and I, at his home talking, singing and dreaming together.

Pastor Jack, I love you and honor you. You changed my life and changed your world. | *Bishop Robert Stearns' remarks from Hayford's memorial service*.



1. Pastor Jack Hayford and Bishop Stearns in his home. 2. Bishop Stearns and Pastor Hayford at Hayford's piano singing his famous song "Majesty". 3. Pastor Jack Hayford praying over Robert Stearns as he was installed as Bishop of the Tabernacle in Orchard Park, NY. 4. Bishop Stearns was honored when the Hayford family asked him to speak at Pastor Jack's memorial service.



WHAT LEADERS ARE SAYING



"Through Eagles' Wings, we're seeing African Americans, Hispanics, Asians, and all races coming together and saying we're all committed to the Peace of Jerusalem and to Israel and the Jewish people. Robert is a prophetic voice that has emerged for such a time as this in engaging for the nation of Israel, uniting the Body of Christ."

– Samuel Rodriguez, President, National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference



"I am so excited about this history-making opportunity of the Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem, led by Robert Stearns on the first Sunday of every October...believers from around the world are manning the battle stations as we go before God in prayer."

- T.D. Jakes, Senior Pastor, The Potter's House



"Bishop Robert Stearns is one of the foremost leaders in the Church today. He is making an extraordinary impact around the world, mobilizing support for Israel and a deeper Biblical understanding of the Jewish roots of our faith."

 Dr. Younghoon Lee, Senior Pastor, Yoido Full Gospel Church & General Superintendent, Assemblies of God of Korea



"Bishop Robert Stearns is a unique individual with an unusual call on his life to help us understand the importance of the nation of Israel for our world. I have witnessed and been part of the important work of Eagles' Wings and its global impact."

— Mike Huckabee, Ambassador of the United States to Israel



"I was blessed to have met Robert many years ago. His faithful work through Eagles' Wings has pioneered wonderful support for Israel which is near and dear to my heart."

— Kathie Lee Gifford, former co-host of NBC's TODAY and NYT Bestseller of The Rock, The Road & The Rabbi and The God of The Way



"I am encouraged by the efforts being made by Robert Stearns to educate Christians on the serious threat of radical Islam. He is raising up educated ambassadors to take a stand for truth and our shared Judeo-Christian values."

— Gilad Erdan, former Ambassador of Israel to the United Nations



"Eagles' Wings is doing such an important work in Israel in this critical time. They are not only educating the church and mobilizing global prayer, but they are truly touching the people of the land."

— Christine Caine, Founder, Propel Women



"For the last thirty years, Bishop Stearns and Eagles' Wings have faithfully carried on the torch not only for the cause of Israel, but for the cause of the Kingdom of God. He has been a pioneer in raising up support for Israel in America and around the world."

 Pastor Teo Hayashi, Pastor Zion Church and Founder, Dunamis Movement



Joseph Garlington, Founding Pastor, Covenant Church of Pittsburgh



"There is a tendency for the Jewish people to feel alone, so to have this deeply committed movement of Christians who support Israel is very gratifying."

— David Friedman, former Ambassador of the United States to Israel



"I am very excited about Christian Americans coming to Israel. The experience of the Eagles' Wings Israel initiatives will be indelibly etched in their minds and heart."

— Benjamin Netanyahu, Prime Minister of Israel



PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE





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HECHLER LEGACY SOCIETY

The vision of Eagles' Wings extends far beyond one generation, and so we are actively establishing the Hechler Legacy Society. Like William Hechler, an Anglican pastor who came alongside Theodore Herzl and made possible his dream to re-establish the Jewish people in their homeland, so today

our support for Israel can continue long after we have finished our days on earth. This newly-established legacy fund, already with 44 charter members, is focused on making the movement of Jerusalem-centered Christianity continue and advance for the next 100 years and beyond. To learn more about how you can establish your personal estate plan for free AND have the opportunity to bless Israel in the process, visit eagleswings.org/legacy.

I was captivated by the incredible stories of William Hechler, Theodore Hertzl and Zionism... the Eagles' Wings Hechler Legacy Society ensures that his good work continues through the generations.

~ **Kay H**, Tacoma, WA



LOOKING AHEAD....

As we look to 2025 and beyond, Eagles' Wings is positioned to bring strategic and expanded impact both within the U.S. and internationally. **We are launching the Israel Christian Nexus Pastors Network**, engaging, educating, and mobilizing pro-Israel pastors and leaders to stand with Israel and strengthen the Jewish community.

EDUCATION Eagles' Wings is expanding our online learning community with new resources on YouTube as well as online courses on key topics that can be used as small group or individual studies. Our online Watchmen on the Wall Course has already been translated into Spanish and Portuguese, with planned German, French, and Korean translations. Torah Tuesdays, our global online Bible study, meets each week as Jews and Christians come together to study and learn from the scriptures of the Torah. Through the Israel Christian Nexus Pastors Network, we are producing print and digital resources for pastors to equip their congregation to stand with Israel through a comprehensive understanding of the history and the facts surrounding Israel and the Jewish people.

RELATIONSHIP We are working on numerous projects to bring Jews and Christians together in an unprecedented way. Our initiative, Solidarity Sunday, occurring the week of "International Holocaust Remembrance Day" will feature Jewish leaders being hosted in over one hundred churches across America. Eagles' Wings is also working with Jewish community leaders to link pastors with their local Jewish community, building friendship and fostering understanding. Finally, we have plans to bring up to 300 pastors to Israel to have them experience the land firsthand and become advocates for Israel and the Jewish people.

ADVOCACY Working with members of the Jewish community, Eagles' Wings will mobilize pastors to be vocal and active in standing against antisemitism. Programs being planned include **Celebrate Israel events** bringing together the Jewish and Christian communities in major cities, trips to Washington, D.C., **encouraging elected officials to stand against antisemitism**, and **local events** with the Jewish community to show solidarity.



Eagles' Wings partners are vitally involved in standing with Israel and the Jewish community. Their prayers, donations, and active involvement in this global movement are restoring a relationship and conversation 2,000 years in the making.

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Annual gift of \$200 or \$18/month

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Annual gift of \$400 or \$36/month

WATCHMEN ON THE WALL

Annual gift of \$700 or \$72/month

STAKEHOLDER OF ZION

Annual gift of \$3,000+ or \$360+/month

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