Dear Friends of Tzedakah Ministries,

From the very first newsletter of *Tzedakah Times*, the ministry has sought for the newsletter to be a source of information and not simply an attempt to secure donations. This is why we have not requested financial support in the newsletters.

However, I also have a responsibility to be a good steward for this ministry. I have a responsibility to communicate with you what we seek to achieve as a ministry of Jewish evangelism. Therefore, this non-newsletter of *Tzedakah Times* will be shorter than our traditional newsletter. We briefly also will seek to focus on what we call our “Mission and Vision” objectives and try to summarize how we work to achieve those goals.

Yes, I will be honest that one thing we hope to achieve through this non-newsletter is that you will be led to support Tzedakah Ministries on a regular basis. Tzedakah Ministries needs your financial support and ongoing prayers at this time. The ministry has so much we need to achieve and we need your help. We cannot do it without you and neither would we want to do it. Shalom!

Acts 20:24,

Amy Downey, President

**Inform Christians and Churches about the Urgency of Jewish Evangelism...**

Traveling to churches is the most engaging of tasks that Tzedakah Ministries undertakes throughout the year. We go to these churches and only ask for a love offering in return and hope that they will assist in travel expenses ... most do but some do not. Most of the time the travel costs to these churches are met but at times they are not but that is not an issue we raise because we need new allies and new partners in the work of Jewish evangelism. *We cannot do the work of reaching Jewish people alone.*

**Educate/Equip Believers on Methods & Opportunities for Jewish Evangelism...**

One of the first questions Tzedakah Ministries is often asked is simply “Did you really say free?” For this ministry always has sought to give away our evangelistic materials. We will take suggested donations for *Who Really Killed Jesus?* and *What Are the Odds?* but often we give them away if they commit to sharing them. However, all of our traditional evangelistic tracts are free without exception. We do this because equipping Christians and churches to help us in this task is vital to reaching the 97-99%. We also do this because we want to take the unknown of Jewish evangelism out of the equation.

**Provide Jewish Seekers with Tools to Search and Believers to Grow...**

Tzedakah Ministries is not the largest Jewish ministry but we have a large social media footprint — Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, blogosphere, etc. We are “out there” so that Jewish people can find Jesus. The website (www.exploremessiah.com) is a place where Jewish seekers/believers can go and ask the questions they are afraid to ask out loud. We are hoping to find ways to promote it better in the near future because the information available I would argue is deeper than you could find anywhere and could help Christians/churches as well.

We have run out of space to discuss CAFÉ Kehillah, Aggie's House, our new VBS and Sunday School literature that needs to be shared with you but I hope you see that Tzedakah Ministries takes seriously the words of Romans 1:16 — “to the Jew first and also to the Greek.”