Jerusalem: City of Destiny...and Controversy

CFI-UK Annual Conference 2012
21st–22nd September ~ Victoria Baptist Church, Eldon Road, Eastbourne, BN21 1UE

Previously, through the In Touch magazine, we were able to give you the dates for this year’s CFI Annual Conference. We are now able to provide further details of the Friday evening meeting (doors open at 7.00pm) and all-day Saturday programme (the day begins at 9.00am and ends at approximately 5.30pm). This year we look forward to welcoming Rick Ridings as our main guest speaker for the weekend, accompanied by his wife Patti. Together they lead “Succat Hallel” (Hebrew for Tabernacle of Praise), a dynamic community of worshippers and intercessors from five continents, drawn together to stand as watchmen on the walls of Jerusalem. All have the common desire to minister first unto the Lord, to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, and intercede for Israel and the nations. The Lord brought Rick and Patti to Jerusalem in 1999 to birth Succat Hallel (website: www.jerusalempraise.com). It began in their living room and grew into prayer watches in various locations. In November 2004 the Lord opened the door for Succat Hallel to relocate to a beautiful facility overlooking Mount Zion and the Old City of Jerusalem. Since then they have been crying out day and night 24/7...until He makes Jerusalem a praise in all the earth. Our three main sessions will include times of worship and prayer, as well as an opportunity to hear from the Lord, as Rick opens God’s Word to us on the theme for this year’s conference: “Jerusalem: City of Destiny...and Controversy.”

Before the lunch break on Saturday, September 22nd there will be an opportunity to hear reports from various members of the CFI-UK team on the work of the past year. After lunch we will welcome another special guest, Yanky Fachler, who will speak on: “The Archaeologist, The General, The Lion Slayer And The Clergyman – Four Christian Zionists Who Impacted On Jerusalem In The Century Before 1948.” Yanky was born and educated in the UK, and lived in Israel for almost 30 years before moving to the Republic of Ireland where he is a motivational speaker, ghost-writer and Zionist historian. He is the media spokesperson for the Jewish Representative Council of Ireland, and a founder member of the Holocaust Memorial Day Committee. His 12 books include “2 Lions, 6 Officers and 750 Mules”, “God’s Little Errand Boys”; and “The Vow”, copies of which will be available for purchase at the Conference. Yanky specialises in writing and speaking about oft-neglected Christian heroes who helped the Jews come home. He has addressed Jewish and Christian audiences, as well as historical societies and the Military History Society of Ireland, and his talks have taken him across Ireland, the UK, Israel and the USA. Yanky’s articles have appeared in History Ireland, The Jewish Veteran, and the El Al inflight magazine. He is a contributor to the Dictionary of Irish Biography, and he speaks regularly on Jewish and Zionist themes on Irish TV and radio.

As in previous years, we are able to offer tea, coffee and fruit squash at the various breaks, but everyone will need to bring their own packed lunch. Alternatively, we have tried to allow enough time for visitors who may wish to eat in one of the many cafes or restaurants scattered throughout the main Eastbourne shopping precinct or on the sea front.

Young people from secondary school age and above are welcome to attend all the main sessions, but we regret to say that, although we have tried, we are NOT able to offer a separate programme or crèche for younger children.

There will be the usual CFI Bookstall with its excellent range of specialist resources, and as well as our friends from Olive Grove Project in Luton, we also hope to have displays from one or two other Israel-related ministries.

For those who wish to spend the weekend in Eastbourne, please contact the local Tourist Information Office for accommodation suggestions and booking assistance (Tel: 01323 411400 or www.visiteastbourne.com). For those wishing to use sat-nav or route planning, the church details are at the top of this page. There is parking available at the church itself, in the Cavendish School grounds opposite, and in many of the nearby residential side streets – but please be sensitive to the needs of local residents.

A full programme will be available on the day, and audio recordings of all the main sessions will be available afterwards.

As usual, a thanksgiving offering will be taken for the ongoing work of CFI-UK

No pre-booking necessary...just come and join us! 

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