

**A Statement of Repentance and Hope  
Proclaimed by Korean Christians  
at “Bless Israel Cultural Festival” in Sydney**

There are many Christians who recognize the biblical importance of the Jewish people. There are many Christians who love the Jewish people and support the state of Israel. There are many Christians who pray every day for the Peace of Jerusalem and for the security and wellbeing of the Jewish people as we face ever increasing geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and ever rising anti-Semitism around the world.

On behalf of these Christians, we have come here today to abide by the Word in Isaiah 40:1. “Comfort, comfort my people.” We have come here today because we believe and trust in the G-d of Israel. We have come here today because we believe G-d will keep all the promises he made to the Jewish people, his Chosen People.

Most of all, however, we have come here today with a heart of repentance. The Jewish Yeshua has taught us to love our neighbor as ourselves and even to love our enemies following the Words of Leviticus 19:18. Yet we, Christians, have been persecuting Jewish people amongst us. We deeply acknowledge the astounding extent of sins of Christians perpetrated to Jewish people during its 2,000 years of history. Having deeply acknowledged the cruel persecutions – unimaginable to us as Christians – directly and indirectly committed in the form of the Crusades, the Inquisition, the Holocausts perpetrated in Christian nations, etc., we are working on a repentance movement among all Christians.

Today, we have also come here with commitment and hope. We will continue to stand against the rising anti-Semitism inside and outside of the Church. We will continue to endeavor for the movement of awakening Christians to pray for the Peace of Jerusalem and to comfort the Jewish people. We will continue to strive to promote stronger international support for the wellbeing of the Jewish people and the peace and security of Israel. We will continue to pray that G-d lead us to heal the deep wounds resulting from the atrocity of the past, open a new chapter in the relationship between the Jewish people and Christians, restore brotherhood among all peoples, and move forward together as one.

You are the Chosen People of G-d. G-d of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob love you, so do we.

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