

Dear brothers and sisters at Oak Grove Christian Church,

I am sure you don't remember, and I don't either - sorry, when was the last time you received a direct 'thank you' from the Galilee in Israel, but looking at the encouraging record of your love and support for us is so uplifting and such a blessing. On behalf of our team in Galilee, I truly thank you for standing with us in various ways over the years. I remember our visit to your church many years ago and if the Lord allows it would be great to visit you again if we are in your area again.

So much has happened over these past 11 years since we started our partnership with CHLF, but the most important is that God has always been faithful as He is and it is an honor to be serving and partnering with Him as He seeks to see His own growing in Him and living their lives for Him.

One of the most exciting things for us as a team is that over the years, our role has become more a role of disciplers, spiritual parents and supervisors / encouragers to those the Lord entrusted to us as they take up their responsibilities and serve the Lord.

Ahead of us now is what has become an exciting annual event for the coming generation ... our third annual 'Christmas Youth Conference' to take place Jan. 5-7, 2017. I believe you have followed up on last year's conference. We are thankful to the Lord for allowing us and giving us the pleasure of working with the future leaders of the work of the Lord here in our land, and thank you for standing with us and supporting us in what we are doing. Your support and encouragement keep us keep going as we know that there is a great cloud of witnesses and encouragers standing with us and for us.

We ask the Lord to strengthen you and reward you richly as individuals and as a church for your faithfulness to Him and your love for His work.

In Him,

For the team in Galilee,

Saleem Hanna,

Team Leader and coordinator.