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JEWS LEAVING FRANCE

In July, the chief rabbi of Paris recommended all Jews to leave France. This is unprecedented and expresses the acute changes happening in the nation that hosted the Olympics. Ezra has worked in France since 2019 to pave the way from France to Israel.

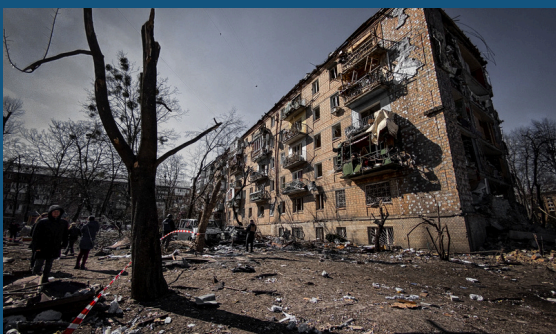
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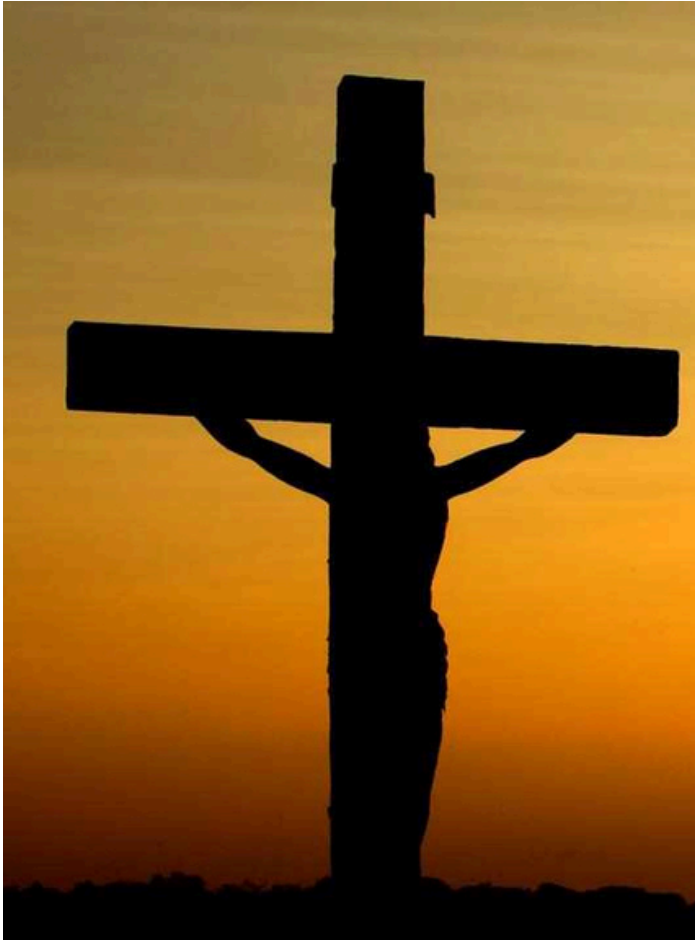
Mirjam Wagner-Cullen has joined our team as UK Development Officer and as a Personal Assistant to CEO, Pat Frame. In her role, she will be working for Ezra UK as well as Ezra International.

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War in Ukraine is devastating lives





UKRAINE WAR

The war in Ukraine continues to disturb and destroy lives in Ukraine. Our teams find it hard to work efficiently, when safety on the streets is not guaranteed, when power cuts can take most of the day, when lifts in apartment blocks cannot be trusted (due to power cuts!) and distances to open airports have hugely increased travel times. In some cases, the safest route out of Ukraine is through Moldova. In all these difficulties, our teams continue to rescue, return and restore the Jewish population of Ukraine, saving some from the frontlines, by risking their own lives.

FUTURE WORK

Do you know of churches or events where Ezra's work could be presented, here in the UK? It could be a prayer group, a bible study group where Ezra could teach about the biblical prophecies and Aliyah, or a Sunday morning service with a slot for Christian charity work? Please contact us via facebook or email to book one of our staff to come and speak.

Greater love
has no one than this:
to lay down one's life
for one's friends.

John 15:13

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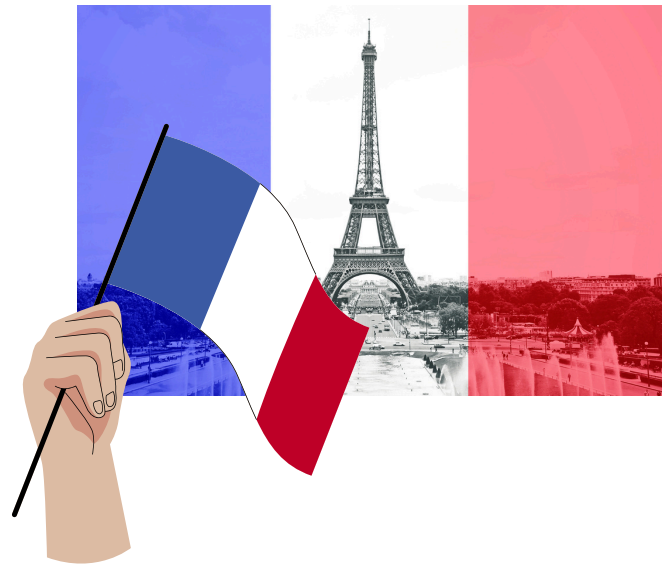
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France has the largest Jewish population in Europe and the third largest in the world. The Jewish population is over 450,000 with the majority being in Paris. Marseille is the 2nd city and the city where Ezra France is based.

In 2015 almost 8,000 French Jews made Aliyah after several terrorist attacks against the Jews in France #JeSuisCharlie. In the years prior to that there were around 2,000 Jews per year leaving France for Israel.



Over 158% increase in Aliyah!

After October 7th Massacre and resulting rise in anti-semitism, the numbers of applications for Aliyah had grown by 158% in January 2024, according to Jewish Agency! The numbers are expected to climb even higher next year. Ezra in France is seeing an increase in people contacting Ezra for help. "It's like a snowball that keeps on growing," says Maria, our representative in France. "Every day there are Aliyah flights from major cities in France, but despite this, many Olim are forced to fly from Germany and Switzerland because there are not enough tickets from France!"

This July, 45 people helped by Ezra made Aliyah in contrast to 16 in July of last year. There currently are further 90 people in the pipeline for Aliyah process through Ezra. While we thank God for the new urgency of French Jews to find their home in Israel, we are saddened by the increased anti-semitism and unrest in France.

Welcome onboard, Mirjam!



Mirjam has a wealth of experience in administration and pioneering work, having worked in a Swiss Bank, IBM and as an administrator to a pioneering Christian School, Melville-Knox Schools. She also holds Masters in Theology from Glasgow University. Having brought up multiculturally in Finland and Switzerland, Mirjam speaks several European languages and is at ease in multicultural setting and workplace. Israel has always held a special place in her heart, a country and people Mirjam is now serving through Ezra.