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November/ December update

Bridges for peace - Feed a child volunteer





ZEALOUS IMPACT

The most impactful moment over the past two months would have to be the community. Coming here you have the opportunity to meet people from all around the world, from different cultures and backgrounds. You get the privilege to live day to day life with them and figure out how to walk with God together through these differences.

All of the volunteers invite you in with open arms. This allows you to see what God means when he says Christians should shine with the love of Jesus flowing through them.

Presenting that love to the children I get to meet daily helps to turn around their outlook on Christians. The history between Christians and Jews is an unpleasant one and I feel like I have been put in the position to be apart of changing that past reality.

Excursions



TIMNA

On this Excursion I had the opportunity to overcome my fear of heights. I had to put my trust in the amazing people around me and ultimately God to help me with this challenge.



BIBLICAL NATURE RESERVE

During this excursion we had the privilege to see some of the oldest cisterns in Israel. We learned about living waters that flow and bring life. That is how we should show our faith to others. We also had to work as a team to herd sheep! So Cool!



GOLON

This excursion we learned the history of the Israeli Defense Forces. We learned the challenges they faced during the 6 day war and the way God's hand brought them to victory. In the photo above we visited the old Syrian Headquarters that are now abandoned. The intense feeling of the land we walked on that day is a feeling I can't forget.

ACTS OF SERVICE

All that goes into the Feed-a-child program behind the scenes is so vital in the success of this program. Every single volunteer whether they are working on the food bank floor or in an office play such a big part. I get the privilege to visit these students but it doesn't diminish the quantity of support that is actually behind them.

THE STUDENTS UNDERSTAND WHERE THE SUPPORT THEY GET IS COMING FROM AND THEY START TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH COUNTRIES LIKE JAPAN OR THE UNITED STATES. THEY KNOW MORE AND MORE ABOUT THESE COUNTRIES BECAUSE OF THE DONORS DEVOTION TO SUPPORTING THEIR CHILD. IT IS SUCH A BEAUTIFUL ACT OF SERVICE TO GET TO SEE.

During Chanukah my manager Amanda decided that it would be a great idea to bring Sufganiyot (doughnuts) to some of our students in Kiryat Ekron. Their faces lit up and they had the brightest smiles and it was just amazing to see that in that act of kindness we were able to show our love to them.

