

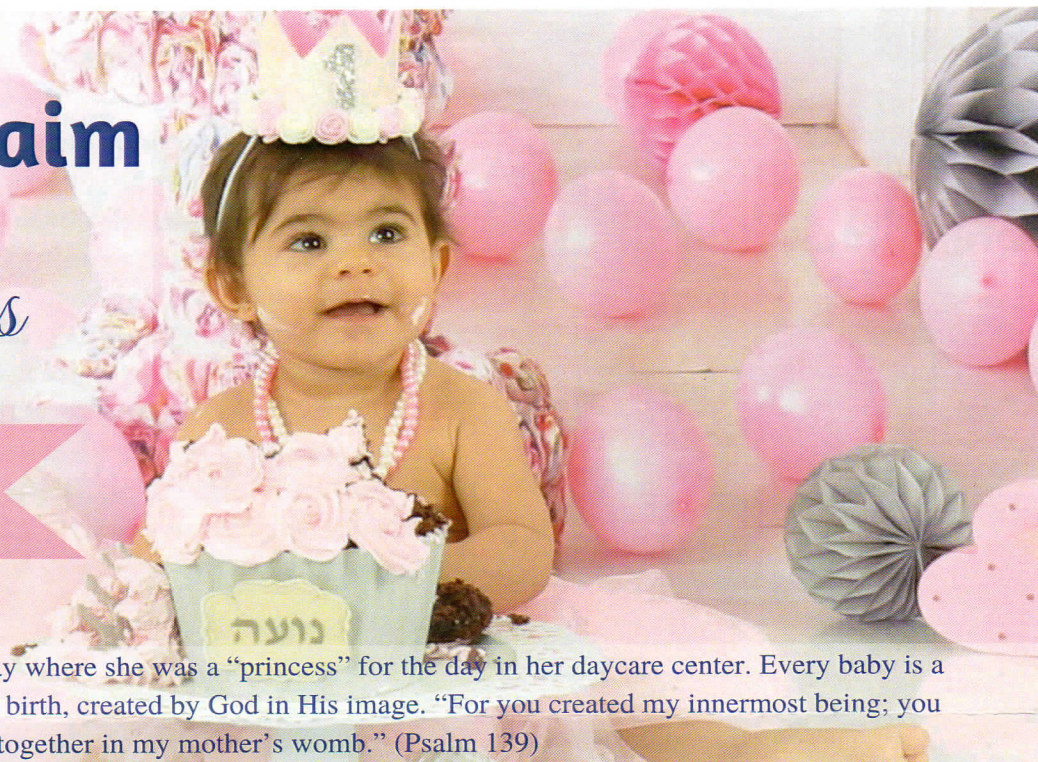


# Be'ad Chaim

Israel Pro-Life Association

## Life News

### Newsletter February 2019



Baby Noah just celebrated her first birthday where she was a “princess” for the day in her daycare center. Every baby is a prince or a princess, a chosen child before birth, created by God in His image. “For you created my innermost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.” (Psalm 139)

## Dear Friends, Partners and Prayer Warriors,

Be’ad Chaim, Israel Prolife, is dedicated to protecting women and unborn children. We are grace-based and compelled by the love of God to extend His mercy, care and practical help. Our “moms” are from all walks of life – each one precious and with her own story. Our “Lilach” pregnancy centers, in all major Israeli cities, serve every woman who turns to us for help without regard to nationality or religion. Nearly every day, a new baby is born to our Be’ad Chaim family. Needy mothers find immediate help through our hotline service, and love, respect and encouragement through their local counselor.

Our year-long “Operation Moses” sponsorship program provides vital needs such as: baby bed, stroller, bathtub, bed sheets and monthly vouchers to purchase diapers, formula, wipes and other necessities. Half of our centers have clothing distribution programs, which we like to call our “boutiques”. In this letter, I want you to meet some of those who have been rescued through “Operation Moses”. As you read about their lives, struggles and joys at receiving a new child, you will understand the huge impact the Operation Moses project has had on their lives.

Thank you, our sponsors from around the world, for providing for the needs of a new baby for a full year. I am deeply grateful for your partnership as together we love moms and their babies unto life.

*Sandy Shoshani*

National Director



## Kati & Baby Josef

Kati is a Christian Arab who is now married for the second time. Her older daughters from her first marriage are in the custody of their father. Kati and her new husband have a lot of debts, and when she discovered her pregnancy, - she considered aborting the baby due to their difficult financial situation. An anonymous person called on her behalf to ask us to help her because Kati was about to have an abortion. Our caring counselor phoned Kati, and she agreed to come to the office. At the office, Kati cried, repented and rededicated her life to the Lord. Her baby boy Josef, was born in December with a chronic thyroid condition which doctors said would require life-long medications. We prayed for healing for Josef. A week later, doctors were amazed to report that there were no thyroid problems and Josef would need no medication. They couldn’t figure out how he was healed!





## Nuria & Baby Nadav

Baby Nadav was born on December 3rd and weighed 3 kilos. Nuria lives with her mom and brother in a town near the Gaza border. (During the final weeks of her pregnancy, well over 500 rockets were launched at her area but just prior to the birth, the bombing stopped, and she could have her baby in peace). Nadav's father lives in a farming community nearby. Originally, he said that he would not interfere with Nuria's decision regarding abortion, but that he would not support the baby if she chose life. Nuria's mom, a nurse, pressured her to abort because she knew what it was like to be a single mom and didn't want that for her daughter. In the end, not only is Nuria's mom ecstatic about being a first-time grandmother, but Nadav's father wants very much to be a part of his life. How time can change things - for the better! Nuria had serious doubts about continuing her pregnancy because of the shame she felt, but her faith in God in the end prevented her from ending Nadav's life.

## Maya & Baby Annaelle

Maya is divorced, but had no children with her ex-husband. She had a new boyfriend who worked in the Police and who seemed to be nice. At some stage their relationship went downhill, and then got to a point when he threatened her with his weapon. She fled from him and moved in with her working mother, but not before finding out that she was pregnant. Her ex-partner pressed her to abort, but her mom convinced her to keep the baby and told her about Be'ad Chaim. Maya's beautiful baby girl, Annaelle, was born in October. During the pregnancy, Annaelle's father was not in the picture, but recently he showed interest in getting to know his daughter.



## Batya & Baby Rami

Batya has been married for 5 years and has four children under the age of five. When she got married she had already accrued a lot of debt, and her husband did not have a steady job. This situation put a lot of pressure on their marriage right from the beginning.

When Batya found out she was pregnant with their fourth child, her husband and everybody around her pressured her to have an abortion. However, Batya absolutely refused and as a consequence, her husband left her for a few months.

During this time Batya became deeply depressed and her pregnancy was hard both physically and emotionally. She contacted Be'ad Chaim and our counselor showed her love, respect and care. Rami was born in December. Since the birth, Batya's husband has returned home, found a new job, and they are working on their marriage.



## Ahuva & Baby Maayan

Ahuva came to Be'ad Chaim on the recommendation of a friend. She could easily have had an abortion, which she had wanted to do, because she had contracted Lupus. She discovered her pregnancy when she was hospitalized for her condition. Ahuva has a two year old son by the same father, but he left her because he felt that he couldn't cope with another baby as well as a failed business. Ahuva went through the pregnancy pretty much alone. In November 2018, four weeks before her due date, little Maayan was born. She weighed only 2 kg and had to stay in an incubator for a few weeks because she was not gaining weight. After a feeding tube was inserted, she started to gain the weight she needed to be released from the hospital. Ahuva survives on a small disability allowance and lives with her mother. The Operation Moses project has been vital to Ahuva and baby Maayan.



## Orli & Baby Amalia

Orli is 26 years old and lives with her mother and grandmother. She was in a relationship, but when she discovered that she was pregnant, her boyfriend pressured her to abort. When she refused, the relationship ended. Desperate for help, Orli searched the internet and found the number for Be'ad Chaim. Our wise hotline counselor calmed her, encouraged her to consider her options and connected her with her local counsellor in whom she found a much needed listening ear and friend. On Dec. 26th, baby Amalia was born.

## Elia & Baby Ofra

Ofra was born exactly on her due date: Jan. 1, 2019 and greeted her mom with the new year. She weighed just 2.9 kg at birth. There was an attempt at nursing but mother Elia felt she wasn't producing enough milk so she went to bottle feeding. Ofra joins 3 older siblings, who are from Elia's now ex-husband. (Elia divorced because of domestic violence.) After some time, Elia thought to give her "ex-" another chance and they moved in together. She was overwhelmed when she became pregnant, but her "ex" promised to pay more child support and "give his new daughter a name". Elia had considered abortion but when she saw her baby's early heartbeat, she couldn't bring herself to do it. Elia gives everything of herself for her children. She worked as a caretaker for an elderly person, which was very physically taxing on her. She realizes that she will have to go back to work soon, but her whole family has now welcomed the new bundle of joy.



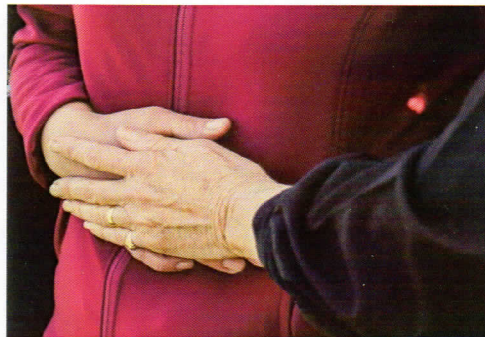


# THE GARDENS OF LIFE!

a memorial forest to honor unborn children

## Tu Bishvat, the "New Year of the Trees", in the Gardens of Life

In the Gardens of Life, a beautiful four-acre forested area in Latrun, in central Israel, 20 women and men gathered together to show respect for children who have gone to their heavenly homes. After a time of sharing, prayer and tears, we planted cypress trees to honor and remember those who were miscarried, aborted, or passed away later. One of the participants summarized our precious time together: "Thanks so much for giving us the opportunity to plant a tree the other day and for your prayers. It was a great time of healing and release for us." This is precisely the goal of the Gardens, to give people closure, restoration and comfort. Isaiah 61: "To comfort all who mourn, to provide for those who grieve in Zion, to give them a crown of beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and a garment of praise in place of a spirit of despair; so that they will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified."



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- Join us for weekly prayer [info@beadchaim.org.il](mailto:info@beadchaim.org.il)
- Sponsor a baby through our Operation Moses project
- Plant a tree in the Gardens of Life or volunteer gardening
- Donate new or "like new" baby items for our boutiques