

As Trump lands in Israel, Judea's 50th marked by historic inauguration

“As far as settlements, I’d like to see you hold back on settlements for a little bit” said Trump to Netanyahu in a memorable press conference this past February.

If this is still President Trump’s position, he may be surprised to arrive in Israel just hours before a historic building inauguration in the heart of Judea. Rabbis Ari Abramowitz & Jeremy Gimpel are hosting an internationally live-streamed mega-celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Jewish return to Judea, the first day of the 6 Day War, [Sunday May 21st](#), the 25th of Iyar.

“We didn’t plan this event to coincide with Trump’s arrival,” Rabbi Abramowitz explained, “this is a celebration of one of the greatest miracles in Jewish history – the Six Day War. While we commemorate the return of Jerusalem, our national soul, Judea is our nation’s heart. And now as global condemnation and pressure is strategically focused on Judea & Samaria we must take to the hills and send a very clear message to the world – there is nothing more natural than a Jew in Judea.”

“We chose this date to inaugurate our international headquarters in the hills of Judea because the 50th year is not only a historic milestone, but a spiritual one,” said Rabbi Gimpel. “On the Jubilee year, a shofar is blasted declaring freedom throughout the Land. [This Sunday night](#) we will be sounding the shofar declaring one powerful truth – “Jews will live in freedom in Judea”.

“While we hope that President Trump acts with courage and moral clarity by affirming Jewish autonomy in Judea and Samaria – we are here to say that the Jews have returned to Judea and we are here to stay, regardless of what he or any other leader may have to say about it,” Abramowitz asserted.

Picking up where he left off, Gimpel continued “A Jew named Amos prophesied in these exact mountains that when Israel returns to the Land we will be plant vineyards and drink of their wine - never to be uprooted again. So the UN can pass as many resolutions as it pleases but the Jews are in Judea and we will never be uprooted again.”

The soon to be inaugurated Land of Israel Headquarters is a castle-like fortification in the mountains of Judea that you would need to see to believe. Sharply contrasted by the surrounding caravan populated settlements, their headquarters is built of the very Judean stones upon which it stands. “We are sending a message that the age of rickety caravans has come to an end. Our meter thick Judean stone walls reflect the eternal roots with which we are connected to this land. As Trump visits Massada, a Jewish fortification 2,000 years old, our Center will stand erected for at least 2,000 years to come.” Gimpel exclaimed, while gazing from the buildings window at Massada in the distance.

The Land of Israel Headquarters is situated in the most contested area in Eastern Gush Etzion. With a breathtaking view of the expanse of the Judean Desert all the way to the Dead Sea, the nature of the center differs depending on who you ask. “While I see it as a “Judean embassy” type of building, projecting a message of Jewish identity and nationhood, Jeremy sees it as *Yeshivat Shem Va'ever* resurrected – referring to the ancient Biblical yeshiva for the world.” Abramowitz shared. While the primary function may still be coming together, one thing is for certain – it will continue on the same mission of spiritual advocacy that the two Rabbi’s have been dedicated for nearly two decades.

Having met as soldier and commander in the IDF, Abramowitz & Gimpel have spent the last fifteen years dedicated to their unique brand of “spiritual advocacy” in which they project the “truth and beauty of Israel to the world”.

“This is more than a building. It’s an idea. And we’ve put everything we have into this because it’s an idea who’s time has come,” Abramowitz explained.

“The base covenant between God and Israel is not the Torah but this land. Why is the world so obsessed with dividing our country, which is the size of New Jersey? There is so much open Land in the Middle East!

Spiritually, they are attacking our foundational covenant with God,” said Gimpel. “If a Jew can't live in Judea, where can a Jew live?”

“This is the tip of the spear,” Abramowitz continued. “By focusing pressure and condemnations on Judea and Samaria, demanding Israel’s unilateral surrender of the “West Bank”, our enemies seek to render our country an indefensible 9 miles wide, divide us amongst each other, and undermine the justice and legitimacy of our claim to this Land because ultimately, if we don’t have a moral and historical right to Judea we don’t have a right to Tel-Aviv.”

Promising to be an evening to go down in the history books, the inauguration event will be live stream broadcast to millions around the world on their website “www.TheLandofIsrael.com”.

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