



Kiryat Arba

CONNECTING SENIORS TO PAST AND FUTURE

The Bible places special emphasis on the important role that both parents and grandparents have to inculcate God's laws and values into their progeny. *"...And make them (God's laws) known to your children and to your children's children"* **Deuteronomy 4:9** The ancient city of Hebron stands today as a symbol and a guide for adhering to this principle. Each of the Patriarchs of the nation of Israel, all three of whom were buried in the city's Cave of Machpela, provide the ultimate representation of a binding chain in which Divine tenets were transmitted from Abraham the grandfather to Jacob the grandson through Isaac the son.

Almost 4,000 years after their burial, a resilient Jewish community living amidst thousands of hostile neighbors, exists in Hebron as well as in Kiryat Arba, located right next to the ancient city. Kiryat Arba is also home to a number of elderly residents including Holocaust survivors. Choosing to live in a symbolically important location, many of them have a strong and healthy drive to fill their lives with a consistent routine of meaning and purpose. These devoted residents in Kiryat Arba have an outlet to do so in the community through the Land of Judah Museum. The museum, which showcases hundreds of archeological artifacts attesting to the nation of Israel's heritage in the region of Judah and the city of Hebron, educates children and adults alike about the Biblical history and archaeology of Judea.

The Museum serves members of Kiryat Arba's senior population by giving them a social setting that is specially designed for them. Additionally, the Museum provides them with frequent lectures on the Bible as well as educational field trips focused on the region's archaeological, Biblical and historic importance. All of these activities provide the participants with the tools to educate and pass on Biblical principles to their children and grandchildren. To be able to continue this program that provides Kiryat Arba's elderly residents with meaning and purpose, the Museum needs your help to cover the costs of educational materials, refreshments, transportation, operations, and salaries for the lecturers and tour guides.

The Land of Judah Museum, in Kiryat Arba—Hebron, needs your help to continue providing quality programming for senior citizens. The museum reaches out to Kiryat Arba's seniors, offering them a unique and enlightening educational experience. Your support will serve as a testimony to the unbroken connection between Kiryat Arba's elderly population and the Jewish heritage in the city of our forefathers. Your support will also help these elderly pioneers pass on Biblical principles to their grandchildren!

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

- ✧ **Biblical Significance:** Biblical synonym for Hebron (Genesis 23:2)
- ✧ **Geographical significance:** Adjacent to Biblical Hebron, home of the Tomb of the Matriarchs and Patriarchs (Cave of Machpelah, originally purchased by Abraham (Genesis 23), it is the burial place of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Leah
- ✧ **Population:** 1,700 families



Archaeological artifacts are an important anchor in the educational programming offered to Kiryat Arba seniors



Your support provides seniors weekly events at the Land of Judah Museum to explore their Biblical roots in Judea

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PROJECT BUDGET

Museum lecturers, tour guides, and transportation.....	\$15,460
Refreshments, maintenance, marketing and equipment.....	7,760
Admission Fees	-4,570
TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED	\$18,650

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