

CCOC Graduates Fighting in Gaza War

The Gaza War continues to rage. Rockets continue to bombard southern Israel, reaching deeper inside the country.

As we write this, there are presently nine courageous young people fighting for their country in the Gaza War who are graduates of our CCOC program. They are in the tank brigade, the Navy, the Air Force, the submarine division of the Marines, Intelligence and other units.

There are many additional Chernobyl young people who are in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) reserves who are being called up for active duty.

We want you to know that these young men and women are able to serve their country – the Jewish homeland – with bravery and distinction because you gave them the opportunity to do so. Your partnership with CCOC enabled them to be rescued from the contamination and horror of the Chernobyl region.

Once they arrived at CCOC's campus in Kfar Chabad, Israel, they received loving care, state-of-the-art medical treatments, healthy food and an excellent education. All of this enabled them to integrate smoothly into life in Israel and become productive citizens, ready to do their share for the country that has literally restored their lives.

There is no question that these young people recognize all that Israel has done for them. They are eager to serve in the IDF and consider it an honor and a privilege to do all they can for their new homeland.

We can not tell you any details about those who are on active duty in Gaza. Military confidentiality prevents that. What we can tell you is that each of them is courageous and brave. Each one of them is happy to be able to serve Israel and defend her against enemies who would destroy the Jewish homeland.

We
would like to ask you to please keep the Chernobyl
soldiers and all the other IDF soldiers, as well as all the civilians in Israel, in your
heart and in your prayers.

We
all pray that they will return safely from the fighting and that through their
heroic efforts, real peace will finally come to Israel and the world.