

“I love Israel.”

- Gizat M., an Ethiopian Jew now living in Kiryat Malachi, Israel

For thousands of years, Ethiopian Jews have kept Jerusalem in their constant prayers and thoughts. Since 1948, tens of thousands of Ethiopian Jewish families have risked their lives and financial security to walk for days and weeks through the wilderness to make it back to their ancient home.



Israel: I am proud to call it home.

While adjustment to life in modern Israel can be difficult at times, I have high hopes for a better life for my children. I encourage my children to study hard, find good jobs, join the army and contribute to our beloved country.

My hometown in Israel, Kiryat Malachi, has recently welcomed more than 2,000 new immigrants, including many former Ethiopians - bringing its total population to 20,100. The town was founded in 1951 to replace a “tent city” housing Jewish refugees from Arab countries. Today, refugees and the children of refugees who live in this desert town are making great strides. Perhaps one of my children isn't far behind.

To learn more about diverse Israel, go to: www.bluestarpr.com