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## A Judeo-Christian Party In Israel's Knesset?

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**For years, Israel Today commentator Victor Mordecai has been working to establish a Judeo-Christian political party under the title "The Bible Block." He now has some assistance from Israel-loving Arab residents of the town of Nazareth.**

A leading Arab-Christian family from Nazareth, one of whom is a senior officer in the Israeli army, is working to create their own Judeo-Christian party, and have asked Mordecai to lead the Jewish component.

Last month, Bishara Shlayan announced on his Facebook page the "birth" of a new political party called "B'nei Brit" (Children of the Covenant). Shlayan also posted these intentions in Arabic.

Shlayan's uncle is Major Ihab Shlayan, the leader of the Christian IDF Enlistment Forum; in the past, this group has faced persecution from Muslims and even (nominal) Christians in Nazareth for urging Israeli Arab Christians to join the army. Ihab will handle "military front" of this campaign, while Bishara would be in charge of the political aspects of the Galilee group.

In what Mordecai calls "a revolutionary and courageous move," these Arabs have come to the realization that their future is with Israel and the Jews, and not with the Muslims who are trying to push the ancient Christian community out of Nazareth (Today, 65 percent of Yeshua's hometown is Muslim and 35 percent Christian).

While they have been encouraged in their efforts by many local Jews and fellow Christians, they have received many threatening responses from the Muslim community. Bishara's Facebook page was immediately attacked by hundreds of opponents of this idea; at the same time, hundreds of Jews and Christians came to his defense and urged him to persevere. Responses ran the gamut of pro and con; some said: "God is with you! Be courageous!" while others were threatening and

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intimidating, such as “Woe to you!”

From Facebook, the story was picked up by a number of Arab media sources in Israel, including the newspaper Al Arab and a short time later, by the Egyptian daily Al-Ahram. These news sources have generally given the story a negative spin.

Bishara is not deterred, believing that a Judeo-Christian alliance will strengthen the Arab Christian community in Israel, and weaken the feelings of hostility towards Israel, which has been the case until now, which only works to isolate this community from the greater Israeli population.

At the same time, he is making every effort to maintain good relations with his Muslim neighbors. At first, Bishara hoped to register the B’nei Brit party in local elections in October, but after many threats from Muslim and certain Christian communist groups, he decided to let things cool down for awhile and register the party next year.

It will be interesting to see if and how a Judeo-Christian party in Israel finally gets established. Will such a party participate in Israel’s next elections? Will Arab Christians find themselves stronger by such an alliance with the Jewish community? Will Israel be blessed by such an alliance? We believe the answer is yes.

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