



Alyth's Israel Mission Statement

Through the Israel group and the Clergy team, we work to engage our community with an Israel as it is today. We aim to ensure that Alyth is a safe space to talk about our love for Israel, our concerns and our support during the challenges that Israel faces.

"Alyth recognizes its permanent and historic bond with the land and people of Israel, and will work actively to:

- enhance the centrality of Israel in the lives of its members;
- deepen members' engagement with Israel and its people;
- strengthen members' commitment to Israel;

"We would also like to see the values of Reform and Progressive Judaism expanded in Israel and to form an integral part of our interaction with Israel. These values of respect for democracy, pluralism, egalitarianism and equality are core values of Reform Judaism and we at Alyth need to promote these values through our interaction with Reform and progressive institutions, communities and organisations in Israel."

And what is our view on Israel – in this we ascribe to the position of our Movement, which states that:

- We have a non-negotiable commitment to the State of Israel and its security. We believe that the pursuit of peace is the highest ideal and priority. We are deeply committed to democracy, human rights and social justice, and religious pluralism.
- We are committed to two viable states as the only just and realistic solution to the present situation.
- We believe that Israel should be a Jewish state and a state for all its citizens. We believe that exponents of moderate, liberal Judaism should ally with moderate, liberal secularists and work together to combat both religious and secular extremism.

