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Grace Rodnitzki is the Director of International Relations of the Ethiopian National Project (ENP,) a partnership between global Jewry, the government of Israel and the Ethiopian community in Israel. Through this Jerusalem-based position, Grace works closely with field workers and professionals in Israel, delving into the critical day-to-day work that they carry out so that she can share ENP's story. As part of her position as ENP's Director of International Relations, Grace relays the stories of Ethiopian-Israelis with individual donors, foundations, and federations across the globe.

Grace hails from King of Prussia, Pennsylvania. She has felt a calling to inform others about Israel's uniqueness since her youth when she was involved in the regional and international levels of the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO). Grace is a graduate of Brandeis University (1990,) and studied at Pembroke College of Oxford University (1988-9.) Following receipt of her B.A., Grace was a Raoul Wallenberg Scholar at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (1990-1,) where she participated in its Leadership Studies program. Later, in her capacity as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar (1992,) Grace studied at Melbourne University in Australia and delivered lectures throughout Australia on Israel and Operation Solomon, the miraculous secret operation in which over 14,000 Ethiopian Jews were airlifted to Israel within 36 hours.

Grace returned to Israel in May of 1993, herself a new immigrant. After seven years at the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee in Jerusalem, Grace joined ENP in January 2005, just as it commenced its flagship SPACE (School Performance and Community Empowerment) Scholastic Assistance and Empowerment programs.

Grace leads ENP's Jerusalem-based development, missions and volunteer endeavors, lives in Modi'in, Israel, and is married with three children.



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