



**John Brown, Zion Oil & Gas, Inc.  
Founder, Executive Chairman**

## **BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

In 1983, during a visit to Israel, John Brown became spiritually inspired by scripture (1 Kings 8:41-43) and dedicated himself to finding oil and gas in Israel – starting the process that eventually led to the founding of Zion Oil & Gas. During the next 17 years he made numerous trips to Israel, hired oil and gas consultants in Israel and Texas, met with Israeli government officials and otherwise assisted Israeli exploration companies. This activity led Mr. Brown to form Zion Oil & Gas, Inc. in April 2000.

Mr. Brown is Zion's founder and Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors. He also previously served as President, and Chief Executive Officer at various times from 2000 - 2015.

He has extensive management and marketing experience, having served as Corporate Director of Purchasing at GTE Valeron, a subsidiary of GTE Corporation, from 1966-1986, and as V/P Director and Officer of M&B Construction Services from 1989 to January 2000.

## **THE VISION AND THE CALLING**

**(Acts 22:14, 15)**

When first visiting Israel in 1983, I believe that God gave me a scripture (1 Kings 8:41-43), a vision (Oil for Israel) and, as a Christian Zionist and New Covenant believer (Isaiah 65:1), the calling to render assistance to the Jewish people and Nation of Israel and to aid them in the Restoration of the Land by providing the oil and gas necessary to help the People of Israel maintain their political and economic independence (Leviticus 19:33,34) (Exodus 6:6-8).

In the Bible, God sovereignly declares that Israel is His chosen people (Exodus 4:22); and we can gain some understanding of God's choice, His vision and purpose by reading (Deuteronomy 7).

As a Christian Zionist, I declare, "... thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God". (Ruth 1:16) And I believe that, as true Christians, we must all so identify with Israel, as we are all part of the "wild olive branch" grafted onto the olive tree by the grace of God (Romans 11). But as the Bible declares, God HAS NOT forsaken His covenant people (Jeremiah 31:31-40); and, "as new covenant believers," we are commanded by God in the Bible to stand together with the Jewish people whom the world has abused. As the fulfillment of prophecy is for the Jewish people - for them the realization of their covenant and for them the answer to their prayers of countless generations:

"And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God." (Amos 9:14-15).

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## **TO ALL MY FRIENDS AT GTE VALERON**

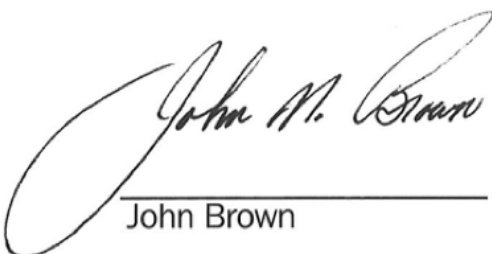
Now it is with deep regret that I must resign from GTE Valeron. However, I am involved in an oil project that God blessed me with in Israel, and now will devote all of my time in the oil business and doing God's work. Most of you are familiar or know of my past when I was hospitalized four (4) times for alcoholism, but this was all changed dramatically in January 1981 when I was "Saved" or "Born Again". These two (2) terms are not from any denomination, but it is from the Bible and can be found in the New Testament in the book of St. John, Chapter 3 verses 3 through 7. What these terms mean is that I accepted JESUS CHRIST as my Personal Savior. I can testify that I have attended various churches all my life, but I was not "Saved" or "Born Again". (Romans 10: 9,13)

There is no church membership or denomination or water baptism whereby you are "Born Again" or "Saved", and there is Salvation in no other way but for each person to individually accept JESUS CHRIST as their own personal Savior and Lord of their life. Like St. Paul in the New Testament, I was instantly converted and I believe it was to be a witness for you especially here at GTE Valeron. Please don't misunderstand me, as I am not anything special nor did I earn the Salvation, because it cannot be earned as it is a universal gift of God and available to everyone who wants it. (Acts 22: 14,15)

I now pray that each and every one of you will believe that what happened to me is very real and seek the truth for yourselves. Please don't ignore what God is saying to you through me because it is a clear choice whether you choose JESUS CHRIST as your Personal Savior and receive eternal Salvation, or deny Him and Choose eternal Damnation.

I love you all and that is why I'm sending you this.

IN HIS LOVE,



John Brown

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