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***“Your people will be my people, and your God my God” (Ruth 1:16)***

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Your Excellencies,

We are deeply shocked and distressed by the current controversy surrounding the so-called Gaza flotilla.

It seems like the words of the Psalmist are being fulfilled before our eyes –

*Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against His Anointed One (Psalm 2 verses 1-2)*

Nothing less than the truth is at stake. Just as in the Gaza war 18 months ago, it seems as if both the media and governments are willingly blind to the disturbing realities behind the recent events. While many well meaning volunteers may have been about the boats heading for Gaza, we have no doubt that malicious forces were at work, that the whole exercise was a deliberate attempt to provoke Israel to action, and to create a PR campaign that would discredit Israel in the eyes of the international community.

Please be reassured by the fact that there are thousands of Christians worldwide who are praying for you, and doing their utmost to fight the flood of misinformation in the media and public sphere.

No matter what happens, we are absolutely convinced that the Lord G'd will protect and sustain Israel through these difficult times, until Messiah comes.

Together with the Psalmist, we pray that the name of the G'd of Israel will not be put to shame, and that the enemies of Israel will be scattered and destroyed.

*Give me a sign of your goodness  
That my enemies may see it and be put to shame,  
For you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me.  
(Psalm 86 verse 17)*

We pray for the government and the people of Israel, that you will remain firm in your resolve to be rooted securely in the land, and that you will continue to seek G'd as your strength and salvation, not the nations of the world.

We pray for the citizens of Gaza - victims of a regime possessed by a spirit of hatred and lies.