

While we are compiling this prayer calendar it is relatively quiet in Israel. There have been no major rocket attacks for a while. In Israel the COVID-19 virus is spreading too, but not many people have died because of it. Although it is the month of July 2020, Israel hasn't taken steps yet to place areas of Judea and Samaria under Israeli law. However, this calm doesn't mean that other countries and organizations sit still. Lots of plans are in the making to dispute Israel at all levels when Israel proceeds to "annexation". Among these countries are Israel's enemies, like Iran, that never sit idle in attacking Israel. We don't know how this is going to move forward. But we do know that God has everything under control and that He gave prayer to us as a weapon against Satan's attacks. Let us pray that it will remain quiet in Israel and that the real peace and quiet will come soon under the rule of Messiah.

"Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you." (2 Thessalonians 3:16).

Many blessings,

Christians for Israel Prayer Team

## August 2020

"But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today." (Deuteronomy 8:18). Pray that the Israeli people may bear this in mind in this difficult time.
Pray for the protection of Jewish villages in Judea and Samaria. Because of the plans to place these villages under Israeli law, it is likely that the violence against Jews in Judea and Samaria flares up.
Israel currently faces the biggest deficit in history. The causes for this are the government's expenses due to the coronavirus pandemic and the reduction of tax-generated income. Pray that people will remain calm and that the people who need help will receive it.
Surveys were carried out among the Palestinians living in the so-called C-area, the area Israel wants to place under Israeli law. The surveys show that a majority of them prefers to live under Israeli authority. They do not want to live under the corrupt Abbas government. These are stories you actually never hear in the media. Pray that these stories will be heard as well and that the image of Israel will not be biased.
There is enmity against the Jewish people, lies and agitation, danger of war and terrorist attacks, false accusations and falsification of history. But the miracle remains: Israel lives! Give thanks according to Lamentations 3,22.23: "Yes, the mercies of the LORD are not finished, yes, His mercy does not cease, it is new every morning: great is your faithfulness".

Thursday 6 August	Pray for wisdom for the Israeli government regarding the plans to place parts of Judea and Samaria under Israeli law. Pray that the pros and cons are weighed correctly and that they put their trust in God.
Friday 7 August	The Palestinian Authority (PA) pressed charges against Israel at the International Criminal Court (ICC) in The Hague. To back up these charges the PA had to submit all kinds of documentation, but now it turns out that the PA has cooked the books. Speeches delivered by the PA for example, were rigged before they were submitted. Pray that the ICC cannot harm Israel.
Saturday 8 August Sabbath	Terrorists recently launched helium balloons on multiple occasions from the Gaza strip with explosives in the direction of Israel in order to set big fires in Israel. Pray that this form of terrorism stops and that the balloons do not cause fires in Israel.
Sunday 9 August	"The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe." Proverbs 18:10. Give thanks that we can call upon the name of the Lord and that He gave prayer as a strong weapon against attacks from Satan.
Monday 10 August	Because Israel has to endure constant threats from surrounding countries, they are working hard to improve weapons and defense systems. Recently important breakthroughs were achieved in these areas. Give thanks for these breakthroughs and pray that it will not be necessary that Israel has to apply them.
Tuesday 11 August	In southern Israel, amongst others in Ashkelon and Ashdod, more and more air-raid shelters are prepared because of fear for new missile attacks from Gaza. Pray for the protection of the people in the southern Israeli villages and towns.
Wednesday 12 August	After a long time, Israel has a new government since a couple of months. It is a government consisting of politicians who were each other's rivals during the elections. Give thanks that there is a new government and pray for a good corporation inside the coalition.
Thursday 13 August	Give thanks to the Lord God for His word and his promises to His people: "With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the LORD: 'He is good; his love toward Israel endures forever." (Esra 3:11)
Friday 14 August	Pray for the Holocaust survivors inside and outside Israel. Many of them are well into old age and couldn't receive many visitors lately, due to Covid-19. Pray for strength and comfort for them.
Saturday 15 August Sabbath	Pray for the protection of the medical staff in Israel. They are vitally important in fighting COVID- 19, but at the same time also vulnerable through their contacts with patients.
Sunday 16 August	Behind many great miracles and blessings in Israel's recent history is the invisible power of Christians who intercede. It is inspiring to know that we, as intercessors, are allowed to participate in this. The Lord bless you in intercession!
Monday 17 August	For a long time Israel contended with a water shortage in the Sea of Galilee. But that is solved now. In the meantime, the Israelis have internationally become leading regarding the reusage of waste water and the economic use of water. Give thanks that God blesses Israel with this.
Tuesday 18 August	Israel is also called the start-up nation. A start-up is a beginning company that is involved with looking for solutions for an often-world-wide problem. In Israel a lot of pioneering research is being done, for example for the medical world or the environment. Pray that the Israeli start-ups may continue to be a blessing for the world.
Wednesday 19 August	Pray for the Israeli economy. The economy received a heavy blow, just like many other countries because of the new corona virus. Pray that the economy will improve soon and the unemployment decreases and the costs, among other things, for health care can stay affordable.
Thursday 20 August	Because of the COVID-19 crisis Israel loses revenues from tourists, but also friendship and encouragement. Every year thousands of Christians come to Israel to encourage and support Israel, but this year that is different. Pray that Israel may experience support in other ways.
Friday 21 August	Pray for protection of Israel against attacks from the outside on all areas: military threat, cyberattacks, economic sanctions and lies.
Saturday 22 August Sabbath	It is important as Christians to pray for 1) the Jewish people, 2) the State of Israel, 3) the Peace of Jerusalem. Listen to the Holy Spirit, ask the Lord for guidance from the Holy Spirit so that we can pray purposefully.

Sunday 23 August	"He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people. Amen." (Revelation 22:20-21). Pray that Lord Jesus may come soon.
Monday 24 August	In the Tzahal (the Israel Defense Forces, or IDF) are soldiers from different descent and complexion, because of the Diaspora. Druze and Arab Israelis also serve in the army. This makes youngsters performing their compulsory military service feel more and more united with youngsters from a different descent. Give thanks for this positive outcome of the army.
Tuesday 25 August	For the first time in history Israel has a Minister born in Ethiopia. It is 39-year-old Pnina Tamano-Shata, as Minister of Immigration. For the Ethiopian-Jewish community this is an important recognition of really belonging to Israel. Give thanks for this appointment.
Wednesday 26 August	Since the beginning of the COVID-19 crisis the unemployment in Israel has increased considerably. Over one million people are at home redundantly. Pray that the unemployed find new jobs soon and that tourism, in which many Israeli hold jobs, will pick up too.
Thursday 27 August	Pray that Christians with a vison for Israel may inspire their pastors and fellow Christians so that they too will understand that Israel is a sign of hope and that the return of the Jewish people is a fulfilment of Biblical prophecy.
Friday 28 August	Pray for all churches and congregations who do not see Israel's significance in the history of salvation. Pray for guidance by the Holy Spirit in this process.
Saturday 29 August Sabbath	Give thanks that from the beginning of the year to its end, the eyes of the Lord God are fixed on the land he has appointed for his people Israel (Deuteronomy 11:11,12). Even if we do not understand all of today's developments, we can be quite sure that He knows what is necessary to achieve His goal.
Sunday 30 August	David's calling to God is an example of how we as Christians can pray for the Jewish people. (Psalm 56:9-12)
Monday 31 August	Prayer is the key that opens the door to the morning and the bolt on the door of the evening. Pray that more Christians will recognize that daily prayer for Israel is important.

## September 2020

Tuesday 1 September	Pray for the protection of Northern Israel. There is danger especially from Lebanon where Hezbollah is active. Hezbollah is supported by Iran.
Wednesday 2 September	Terror group Hezbollah is momentarily leading the Lebanese government coalition. This means that the group has more influence than ever in determining the future in the land. The European Union designates only the military branch as a terrorist organization. Pray that the EU and the res of the world will see the whole of Hezbollah as a terrorist organization so that more measures car be taken.
Thursday 3 September	In Lebanon Hezbollah has deployed hundreds of missiles towards Israel. Pray for Israel's protection against this threat.
Friday 4 September	Last Spring Iran tried to hack Israel's water system in order to increase the chlorine contents with a view to make people ill. Israel has now stepped up the protection of the water system. Pray for Israel's protection against cyberattacks
Saturday 5 September Sabbath	"Israel, put your hope in the Lord both now and forevermore." (Psalm 131:3). Pray that in exciting times the Israeli people may place her hope on the Lord.
Sunday 6 September	"You, God, are awesome in your sanctuary; the God of Israel gives power and strength to his people. Praise be to God!" Psalm 68:35-36.
Monday 7 September	Pray for the relationship between Israel and Jordan. Jordan has indicated that the relationship wil seriously deteriorate if Israel proceeds to "occupy". Pray that the relationship between the two countries is safeguarded and that it may contribute to peace in the Middle East.

Tuesday 8 September	Palestinian leaders continue to incite their population to terror against Israel in every possible way. There are continuing songs, poems and videos on TV that call to violence towards Israel. Pray for protection of Israel against this hatred.
Wednesday 9 September	Pray for the politicians and authorities of Israel, that they will be men and women after God's own heart (Jeremiah 3:15). Pray that God will revive His people (Psalm 85:6).
Thursday 10 September	More and more prominent Arabs call on normalization with Israel. They recognize that Israel is a state built on science, knowledge and prosperity and that the state is striving for peace. Give thanks for this positive development and pray that it may be a blessing for Israel.
Friday 11 September	Recently it happened twice that the Palestinian Authority (PA) refused an airplane cargo with medical supplies to fight COVID-19 because the flight was coordinated by Israel (the flight itself came from the United Arab Emirates (UAE)). This way the Palestinian population is suffering under the regime of its own leaders. Pray that this may change and that unlike now there will be more cooperation with Israel.
Saturday 12 September Sabbath	The Turkish president Erdogan more and more constitutes a threat for Israel. In multiple ways he tries to extend his influence in Israel. For instance, he supports Turkish organizations that labour for Islamization of Arabs in Israel. Pray that the work of president Erdogan is fruitless and that he does not interfere with Israel.
Sunday 13 September	"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." (1 Timothy 2:1-2). The campaign for the presidential election in the United States on November third, is in full swing. Pray that whoever is ultimately elected president, is pro-Israel.
Monday 14 September	Pray for congregations where there is preaching about the restoration of Israel, where there is interest in Biblical prophecy, and where there is an explanation of the books of the Old Testament. Pray for your own congregation as well.
Tuesday 15 September	At present there is worldwide a lot of support for the Black Lives Matter movement, a movement that fights racism. Unfortunately there are many inside the movement that express their implacable opposition against the Israeli State, which is an apartheid state in their eyes.
Wednesday 16 September	At the moment more Jews live outside Israel than inside Israel. In the entire world there are about 14.5 million Jews of whom seven million live in Israel. Pray that a change may come and that many Jews will return.
Thursday 17 September	Pray that the Jews who want to return to Israel will succeed in making ends meet and that they will be able to prepare for their Aliyah.
Friday 18 September	In June 2020 thirty-seven Jews from Peru made Aliyah to Israel. Peru was seriously affected by COVID-19 and there was talk of riots in the streets because of shortage of food supplies. Give thanks that these Peruvian Jews can find a safe haven in Israel
Saturday 19 September Rosh Hashanah	Today is Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish new year. In Judaism it now is the year 5781. It is also the beginning of the ten days of repentance that ultimately lead to Yom Kippur. Pray for blessed days for the Jewish people
Sunday 20 September	"Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days." (Psalm 90:14). As a symbol for the hope that the next year will be a good year, sweet things are eaten like a piece of apple dipped in honey. Pray for a blessed and sweet new year
Monday 21 September	Pray that Jews who have returned to Israel soon find a job and will not encounter all kinds of administrative hurdles.
Tuesday 22 September	Pray that rabbis of Jewish communities outside Israel urge the community members to make Aliyah.
Wednesday 23 September	"From the LORD comes deliverance. May your blessing be on your people." Psalm 3:8. God's blessing is on the people of Israel. We see in our time that God is bringing His people home in this Land. Pray that many people may come home in Israel.

Thursday 24 September	Praying leads to a pure heart; a pure heart leads to love; love incites to love of ones neighbour; and this dedication ultimately leads to peace of the heart. So, through prayer we have everything, purity, joy, love and dedication and peace! – Mother Theresa. Give thanks that we can always go to God in prayer and that He wants to work through us.
Friday 25 September	The Word of God is encouraging when you pray for Israel: "I am the Lord, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for me?" Jeremiah 32:27.
Saturday 26 September Sabbath	Today is a worldwide day of prayer, humility, repentance and prayer for revival and restoration. This day precedes Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. Pray that from humility and repentance recovery comes forth for the world.
Sunday 27 September	"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10. In this time of COVID-19 Christians for Israel cannot organize Israel conferences and meetings like usual. Pray for the work to continue online. Pray for new opportunities to spread our message digitally.
Monday 28 September Yom Kipur	"Because on this day atonement will be made for you, to cleanse you. Then, before the LORD, you will be clean from all your sins." (Leviticus 16:30). Pray for a blessed Yom Kippur for Israel.
Tuesday 29 September	Thank the Lord for His Word and His promises to His people: "He is good; his love toward Israel endures forever." (Ezra 3:11).
Wednesday 30 September	Rev Willem J.J. Glashouwer's book "Behold He Comes" is now available in English. Many translations will follow, amongst others in Russian and Rumanian. Pray that the book will encourage Christians worldwide and may help to get ready for Jesus Christ's return.