



"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:13)

As we look at the world around us, it seems to be getting darker and darker. Despite all of the forces that are pulling the world into darkness, God's work continues. You can see this in stories of hope from Israel. Think of the organization ADI, which does so much incredible work with people with multiple disabilities. Or the fact that more and more Jews are turning back to the Torah and that the Sea of Galilee is full again. These stories dispel the darkness like lamps. God's light continues to shine through every dark period of history. He holds His People and the Church in His hands! In the months of June and July, let's pray that Israel will be a light among the nations.

*Shalom,
The Prayer Team of Christians for Israel International*

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Wed 1 June	Israel's governing coalition recently lost its majority position in the parliament. So far it looks like the coalition will try to move forward but it will be significantly more difficult to pass legislation. Pray that all of Israel's members of parliament will live up to their responsibility to put the nations' interests first in this complicated situation.
Thu 2 June	Pray for peace on the Temple Mount. During Ramadan there was much unrest on the Temple Mount as groups of worshipers at the mosque frequently instigated confrontations with the police. Pray that this unrest will come to an end.
Fri 3 June	Pray for all Israeli's who have lost someone to the recent terror attacks in the country. A number of the victims were fathers and mothers. Pray especially for those families who are now suddenly missing a parent.
Sat 4 June Sabbath	Once again, we will pray from the Sabbath reading of the day on every Sabbath. "Eleazar son of Aaron, the priest, is to have charge of the oil for the light, the fragrant incense, the regular grain offering and the anointing oil. He is to be in charge of the entire tabernacle and everything in it, including its holy furnishings and articles." (Numbers 4:16) There was a lamp in the tabernacle that was supposed to burn at all times. It was a sign of God's presence and light. Give thanks that God is the Present One and the Eternal One.
Sun 5 June Shavout (Feast of Weeks) Pentecost	"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting." (Acts 2:1-2) The pouring out of the Holy Spirit took place during the Jewish Feast of Weeks. Give thanks for the coming of the Comforter and pray that the Jews will have a blessed Feast of Weeks.

Mon 6 June Shavout (Feast of Weeks)	“In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams.” (Acts 2:17) Pray that God will pour out His Spirit on the whole Jewish People so that they can serve Him in unity.
Tue 7 June	There have been many stabbings in Israel recently. Sometimes there are several weeks in a row with three or more stabbings per week. Pray for protection from these attacks. Pray that the perpetrators (most of them Palestinians) will be stopped in time. Also pray for those who have lost loved ones due to an attack.
Wed 8 June	Pray for Israeli army war veterans who are battling PTSD, post-traumatic stress disorder. Pray that they will receive the help they need and pray for healing from their trauma. Also pray that the people around them will treat them with love and patience.
Thu 9 June	Pray that Israeli political leaders will seek advice from people who walk with God and who can share God’s wisdom with them.
Fri 10 June	Studies show that cases of depression have increased significantly since the beginning of the COVID pandemic, especially among teenage girls. Pray for young people in Israel. Pray that they will get quality care if they wrestle with mental issues and pray that they may also experience God’s comfort.
Sat 11 June Sabbath	“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you peace.” (Numbers 6:24-26) This is a beautiful blessing given to Israel. Pray this blessing for and over Israel.
Sun 12 June	Right now the Sea of Galilee is almost completely full for the first time in 30 years. The lake is an important drinking water reservoir, so this is very good news for the country. Give thanks for this.
Mon 13 June	Due to a number of terrorist attacks in Israel, Israeli citizens who have weapons permits have been asked to carry their weapon with them when they are out in public. This is so that they can take immediate action in the case of an attack. Pray for wisdom for these armed civilians about when and how to intervene in these dangerous situations.
Tue 14 June	Pray for our brave C4I team in Ukraine – for protection, for wisdom to be in the right place at the right time, and for the strength and grace they need as they stand with the Jewish community in Ukraine through this difficult time.
Wed 15 June	Pray for the Israeli police. Unfortunately they have to take out terrorists on a regular basis, putting themselves in dangerous situations as well. Pray for wisdom and protection for the Israeli police.
Thu 16 June	Israeli Member of Parliament Ayman Odeh, a member of one of the Arab parties, recently urged Arab police officers to stop serving on the Israeli police force because according to him this aids the “occupation” of Palestinians. Pray that no one will follow his advice and that there will be Arabs who openly disagree with him on this point.
Fri 17 June	It is extremely difficult for the Israeli government to determine how they should deal with the construction of Jewish villages in Judea and Samaria. The international community condemns this construction but there are many who consider Judea and Samaria the heart of the Jewish nation. Pray that the government will receive the wisdom they need to make good decisions; that they will not be led by foreign criticism but by God’s Word and His promises.
Sat 18 June Sabbath	“That is how it continued to be; the cloud covered it, and at night it looked like fire. Whenever the cloud lifted from above the tent, the Israelites set out; wherever the cloud settled, the Israelites encamped.” (Numbers 9:16-17) God showed Israel where to go in an extraordinary way. Pray that Israel will seek and experience God’s guidance today as well.
Sun 19 June	Millions of tourists are expected to visit Israel this summer. Pray that many people will indeed visit Israel and learn to love the nation and the God of Israel.
Mon 20 June	Large parts of Israel are extremely arid, yet Israeli farmers are growing fruits and vegetables in dry regions with more and more success. They have developed all kinds of techniques to make this possible. Give thanks for this development and pray for a blessing over the ongoing research in this area.
Tue 21 June	Israeli young people start their military service at 18 years old. This means that at a young age they do work that requires a great amount of responsibility. Pray for these young men and women, for the strength to do their jobs and for their protection.
Wed 22 June	Pray for all Muslims who live in Israel. Pray that they will experience conversion and that Jesus will reveal Himself to them.

Thu 23 June	In the Negev desert, the region's first rehabilitation hospital has been opened. It is run by ADI, an organization that works to provide care to children with multiple disabilities. Before this hospital opened, people from the south of Israel had to travel long distances for medical assistance. Give thanks for the opening of this hospital and pray that many people may receive help there.
Fri 24 June	A few months ago, Israel started using a new monitoring system on the northern border. The system is mounted on a large zeppelin outfitted with ultramodern sensors. Israel uses this zeppelin to keep tabs on Iran and other threats. Give thanks for this new system and pray that it will help Israel counteract threats to national security quickly and effectively.
Sat 25 June Sabbath	"Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, 'We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it.' But the men who had gone up with him said, 'We can't attack those people, they are stronger than we are.'" (Numbers 13:30-31) It takes courage to do what God asks. Pray that Israel will have this courage in our days.
Sun 26 June	With danger on every side of Israel's borders and the added risk of an attack from Iran, there is plenty of reason for Israeli's to be scared. Yet many Israeli's show that they are resilient and do not allow their lives to be ruled by fear. Pray that Israeli's will hold onto this attitude, even if the danger increases. Pray that they will put their trust in God and that God will save them from all their distresses.
Mon 27 June	"For He will command His angels concerning, you to guard you in all your ways." (Psalm 91:11) Pray that God's angel armies will stand guard on the borders of Israel.
Tue 28 June	"What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31) Pray that Israeli's may know this to be true, especially those who live close to the border with Gaza. It doesn't mean that area is any less dangerous, but it does mean that God is watching over them. After all, they are His people!
Wed 29 June	For the first time in 14 years, an Israeli head of state has visited Turkey. Relations between Israel and Turkey have been bad over past several years but now that is changing. This is partly because Turkey realizes that it needs Israel for its own economic progress. Pray for wisdom for Israel in responding to Turkey's advances.
Thu 30 June	Pray that God will provide the Israeli army with everything it needs to take out Iran's nuclear enrichment facilities if it that becomes necessary.

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Fri 1 July	In February this year two Iranian drones were shot down over Iraq by American fighter planes. The drones were on their way to Israel to explode there. Give thanks that these drones could be downed and Iran couldn't harm Israel.
Sat 2 July Sabbath	"So Aaron took it as Moses said and ran into the midst of the assembly. And behold, the plague had already begun among the people. And he put on the incense and made atonement for the people. And he stood between the dead and the living, and the plague was stopped." (Numbers 16:47-48) Like Aaron made atonement for the people, Jesus made atonement for the world. Give thanks for this.
Sun 3 July	At the end of March there was a diplomatic summit with representatives from Israel, the United States, Egypt, Morocco and Bahrein. In the future these countries will meet more often. Purpose of the summit was to strengthen mutual ties and to jointly counter the threat from Iran. Pray for wisdom for the countries to make the right decisions together.
Mon 4 July	In the past years the Israeli and German air force started to work very closely together and there are very good ties. Also in other areas the relationship between Israel and Germany is very good, but there is also certainly room for improvement. Germany doesn't always vote within the United Nations in favor of Israel when Israel is accused wrongly again. Pray that the relationship between Israel and Germany will improve.
Tue 5 July	The United Nations has appointed a new rapporteur for the situation of human rights in the Palestinian areas, namely the Italian Francesca Albanese. Israel is very upset about this, because Francesca Albanese compares the situation of the Palestinians in 1948 with the Holocaust. Pray that Francesca Albanese is going to be replaced or repents.

Wed 6 July	Kuwait is the only country in the Persian Gulf that continues to fight Israel. The other countries in the Persian Gulf, like Bahrain, have actually sought rapprochement with Israel. Pray that Kuwait will do the same and abandon the hatred towards Israel.
Thu 7 July	Israel has made public that Iran has made enough plutonium to produce a bomb. Pray that Iran will not be capable to actually make such a bomb.
Fri 8 July	Pray for more solidarity between Israel and the Church, despite of all differences that may exist.
Sat 9 July Sabbath	“So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.” Numbers 21:9 God is a merciful God. Even when we as humans make mistakes, God gives solutions and a new chance. Give thanks for this great miracle.
Sun 10 July	Pray that intercession for Israel in Sunday’s services will take a standard place in the prayer of pastors. Pray that this may also inspire Church members to pray for Israel as well.
Mon 11 July	“They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises.” Romans 9:4. Pray that Christians will take an interest in God’s loyalty to Israel and that this may lead to more love and prayer for Israel.
Tue 12 July	Pray that he immigrants who recently emigrated to Israel will find a house soon. Israel has shortage on the housing market and the construction of new houses is in full swing. Pray for a blessing on these activities.
Wed 13 July	In India some 5,000 people live who according to tradition are descended from the tribe of Menashe. Some 5,000 members of Menashe’s tribe already moved to Israel at an earlier stage. Pray that those who still live in India and want to move may have the opportunity to do so.
Thu 14 July	Pray that Christians may see that the fact that presently so many Jews return to Israel is a fulfilment of God’s promise that He will take His people home.
Fri 15 July	Today there are many Jews in Russia who do not feel safe anymore and want to return to Israel too. Practically this is very difficult, because there are almost no more flights from Russia to Israel. Pray that for these Jews opportunities may be provided to make aliyah.
Sat 16 July Sabbath	“Blessed are those who bless you, and cursed are those who curse you.” Numbers 24:9b. When Balaam wanted to curse Israel, he blessed them. Pray that this may happen today as well with Israel’s enemies.
Sun 17 July	Good education about the Holocaust in schools is important. It makes children aware of the dangers of antisemitism. Pray that this subject is discussed sufficiently in schools and that good lessons are taught about it.
Mon 18 July	Pray for the Jewish children outside of Israel who are bullied at school because they are Jewish. Pray that teachers intervene and pray for comfort of these children.
Tue 19 July	A Belgian shop owner recently said that he no longer wanted to help Jewish customers due to Israel’s attitude towards Russia. It is terrible that Jews abroad have to pay for Israel’s politics. Pray that this kind of action is punished and will not be copied.
Wed 20 July	Research from the University of Tel Aviv has shown that worldwide a record number of antisemitic incidents took place. COVID-19 and the May 2021 Gaza war were identified as causes. Pray for protection of Jews worldwide against antisemitism.
Thu 21 July	The United States, Germany, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands have rejected Amnesty International’s report about Israel being an Apartheid State. Give thanks for this decision and pray that many more countries will follow.
Fri 22 July	A survey among Israeli’s shows that over fifty percent of them is afraid of a second Holocaust. The continuing threat from Iran plays an important role in this. Pray for all Israeli’s who are afraid of this. Pray that they may find comfort with God. And pray for protection of Israel against all who want to exterminate the Jewish people.
Sat 23 July Sabbath	“The Lord said to Moses, ‘Go up into this mountain of Abarim and see the land that I have given to the people of Israel.’” Numbers 27:12. God has given the Land of Israel to the Jewish people. That is something not many people believe anymore nowadays. Pray that the eyes of many will be opened for this truth.
Sun 24 July	The Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs recently said that Hitler was partly Jewish. He said this in order to supposedly show that Zelensky, who is a Jew himself, might just as well be a Nazi. In Israel people have reacted with shock to these statements. Pray that Russia may see sense about these statements.

Mon 25 July	Pray that God's Spirit will work powerfully in Israel and that after the physical restoration of the return of the Jewish people to Israel, the spiritual restoration will also take place.
Tue 26 July	"The LORD reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD." Psalm 146:10. Psalms 146, 147 and 148 are about God's power on earth and His redemption of the oppressed. All three Psalms end with a promise or a statement about God's people. We can especially see God's faithfulness and power in the path that He moved along with His people. Give thanks for God's faithfulness to Israel.
Wed 27 July	Pray for the work of Koen and Ira Carlier and their team in Ukraine. Their work looks very different compared to last year. Many Ukrainian Jews want to return to Israel and are helped with transportation to the border. Pray that the team will receive strength to keep up this work.
Thu 28 July	Pray for the Jews in Ukraine. There are Holocaust survivors who have to flee for the military violence again. Pray for protection of the Jews and pray that, when they want to return to Israel, that this is actually possible.
Fri 29 July	In April Rev Cornelis Kant and Jos van Westing visited Tanzania on behalf of Christians for Israel International, to teach about Israel to pastors and various church leaders. Give thanks that this journey was possible after two years and give thanks for the many people who were able to be reached.
Sat 30 July Sabbath	"...but we will take up arms, ready to go before the people of Israel, until we have brought them to their place." Numbers 32:17a. The tribes Reuben and Gad ask Moses if they can stay and live on the other side of the River Jordan. Pray that Israel will act in unison also in our time when it comes to the defense of the country.
Sun 31 July	Pray today for the international work of Christians for Israel, for providing information through newspapers and websites, books and DVDs. Pray that people will be touched by this information, so that love for Israel and the Bible will begin to grow.