



## Comfort and trust

At the beginning of the year we often look ahead. The months ahead of us will be filled with expected and unexpected events. Although we live in a new year, we still carry everything that happened in the years before with us. Both the happy things and also the sad things. The idea of a cycle is something that frequently appears in the Bible. Just look at the rhythm of the days and the seasons. Standing at the beginning of a new year invites us to both comfort and trust. Comfort, because of the difficult things that have happened, but also trusting in the hope of new beginnings and the good times that will also come. Let this perspective be our focus in these first months of the year. Comforting God's people and praying for trust in Him. He is always near, that is both a source of comfort and a source of trust.

Shalom,  
The Christians for Israel Prayer Team

## February 2026

Sun 1 Feb Tu BiShvat (New Year for Trees)	This week we want to reflect on the presentation of Jesus in the Temple, 40 days after His birth and on the special witnesses Simeon and Anna. Pray that the time may soon come that the Saviour will build the Temple of the Lord as written in Zechariah 6:12-13.
Mon 2 Feb	The firstborn male of every Jewish family had to be consecrated to the Lord by offering a sacrifice. Thus, the Son of Israel, Jesus, was consecrated (Luke 2:25-40). Give thanks to the Lord that He took care of Israel by making them share in the redemption He brought and will fulfil as well. Pray on this holiday of the New Year for Trees also for a blessing upon the Land, that it may be fertile.
Tue 3 Feb	Simeon glorified the Lord. He spoke about the Saviour as the One who will bring glory to Israel and will be a light for the Gentiles. Give thanks to the Creator of heaven and earth that He extended His light, also to the nations and that we are allowed to live in His presence through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
Wed 4 Feb	Isaiah 9 says: "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light." In a land of deep darkness a light is shining. That Light is the Saviour, the Son of God. His light will spread across the entire earth. Pray that that time, of which Simeon prophesied as well, will be fulfilled completely.
Thu 5 Feb	Simeon and Anna expected the coming of Messiah. Simeon expected the consolation of Israel and Anna, the widow of about 80 years of age, was in the Temple night and day. Two Jewish people who expected the Saviour. Pray that God finds us waiting and vigilant as well. That we as believers from the nations may have a deep longing to expect the return of Messiah to this earth.
Fri 6 Feb	Anna addressed all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem (Luke 2:38). One could easily miss that. They weren't the only ones besides the shepherds and the Magi from the east. Let us therefore pray that we shall be watchmen on the walls of Jerusalem together with Israel, expecting His coming in Glory. (Isaiah 62:6-7).

Sat 7 Feb Sabbath	“Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God. They are brought to their knees and fall, but we rise up and stand firm.” (Psalm 20:8). Pray that God will work out what we ourselves do not think possible.
Sun 8 Feb	“May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you.” (Psalm 33:22). Pray for God’s mercy on Israel.
Mon 9 Feb	Pray for the surviving relatives of the victims of the terror attack on Bondi Beach in Sydney on December 2025. Pray for comfort and encouragement.
Tue 10 Feb	Thank God for the existing opportunities to bless His people. Pray that today new people from the nations will stand up to comfort and bless the Jewish people.
Wed 11 Feb	In some places in the world it is not safe to speak out for Israel. Pray for protection of people worldwide who speak out for Israel. Pray that their words may be a blessing.
Thu 12 Feb	Israel plays an important role in combating antisemitism. Israel does that in the Middle East, but also in Europe. Pray that countries will open up for cooperation with Israel the effectively fight terrorism.
Fri 13 Feb	“And so I will show My greatness and My holiness, and I will make Myself known in the sight of many nations. Then they will know that I am the Lord.” (Ezekiel 38:23). Pray that all nations may see that that the God of Israel is the Creator of heaven and earth.
Sat 14 Feb Sabbath	“Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens. Our God is a God who saves; from the Sovereign Lord comes escape from death.” (Psalm 68:19-20). Praise God today with these words.
Sun 15 Feb	“For this is what the Lord has commanded us: “I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.”” (Acts 13:47). Thank God today that He has made His people a light unto the world.
Mon 16 Feb	Pray that God’s plan with Israel may become visible and understood in Churches where Gentiles are still unfamiliar with it.
Tue 17 Feb	The fact that we as nations were allowed to become acquainted with God, is a sign of mercy. Give thanks to God for this today.
Wed 18 Feb	“For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.” (2 Timothy 1:7). Pray that Christians have the courage to stand up for Israel and show their love towards Israel.
Thu 19 Feb	It is important that the Church is aware of Israel’s special place in God’s plan of salvation for the world. Nevertheless, the Church has often acted arrogantly towards Israel, but also towards God.
Fri 20 Feb	Pray that the Church remains aware of her Jewish roots and the connection with Israel.
Sat 21 Feb Sabbath	“Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from Him.” (Psalm 62:1). Give thanks that salvation is from God and that all of Israel will expect their salvation and blessings from God.
Sun 22 Feb	“The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters...” (Psalm 23:1-2). There are presently about 220,000 Holocaust survivors worldwide. Pray that they may experience in their old age that God takes care of them like a Shepherd.
Mon 23 Feb	Pray for the Israeli Government, for wisdom and understanding. Pray that they seek God’s guidance and put their trust in Him.
Tue 24 Feb	Pray for the protection of the Israeli borders today. Pray that possible threats come to light and that Israel can take timely action against these threats.
Wed 25 Feb	Pray for the Israeli entrepreneurs who had to deal with the serious economic consequences of the war. Pray for good economic times in Israel.
Thu 26 Feb	The famous Israeli invention of ‘drip irrigation’ enables growing plants even in the desert. This technique can play an important role in preventing famine in the world. Pray that this Israeli technique may increasingly become a blessing for the world.
Fri 27 Feb	Tonight Sabbath begins. Pray that Jews in Israel and abroad may celebrate Sabbath safely and peacefully.
Sat 28 Feb	“Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.” (Exodus 20:8). Give thanks that God has placed a day of rest within creation so that all creation may catch its breath.

## March 2026

Sun 1 March	"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."'" (Psalm 91:1-2). Pray for the Israeli children who have experienced war in recent years. Pray for comfort when they are sad or afraid.
Mon 2 March	According to the British rabbi Jonathan Sacks hatred towards Jews comparable with a mutating virus. Throughout the centuries hatred towards Jews has always returned in a different guise. That is why knowledge about antisemitism is important. Pray for the dissemination of this knowledge worldwide.
Tue 3 March Purim (Festival of Lots)	Purim commemorates the Jewish victory against the evil plans of Haman, who wanted to exterminate the Jews during the Babylonian Exile. Thank God that He always saves His people. Pray that the Jewish people can celebrate Purim peacefully and safely.
Wed 4 March	The BDS movement (Boycott Divestment and Sanctions Movement) is an international movement that applauds the boycott of Israel. Pray that BDS' attempts to boycott Israel will fail.
Thu 5 March	After 7 October 2023, Turkey increasingly acted as an enemy of Israel. There are even concerns that one day a military clash between Turkey and Israel would be possible. Pray for protection of Israel against danger from Turkey
Fri 6 March	The Iranian regime openly admits that it wants to destroy Israel. Pray that these evil attempts may end. Pray that the Iranian people may get different leaders who have good intentions for them.
Sat 7 March Sabbath	"Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet My unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor My covenant of peace be removed,' says the Lord, who has compassion on you." (Isaiah 54:10). Give thanks for God's faithfulness to the covenant He made with Israel. Despite Israel's unfaithfulness, God remains faithful, no matter what.
Sun 8 March	"Give praise to the Lord, proclaim His name; make known among the nations what He has done." (Psalm 105:1). Pray that God's miraculous deeds are recognized and remembered among the nations.
Mon 9 March	Pray for all Jews who want to make Aliyah, but who are dreading everything that needs to be arranged and organised. Pray that they will find and receive the right help for this so that they can actually make Aliyah.
Tue 10 March	Since 1st January 2026 Zohran Mamdani is the new mayor of New York. Mamdani is known for his anti-Zionism and Jews in New York are afraid that their safety is less guaranteed. Pray for protection of Jews in New York and the entire United States against antisemitism.
Wed 11 March	Pray that people plotting an attack against Jewish targets are stopped timely. Give thanks that an attack is foiled in Australia, shortly after the deadly attack in Sydney in December.
Thu 12 March	The number of antisemitic incidents worldwide has increased enormously. Pray for protection of the Jewish communities worldwide and pray that governments crackdown on antisemitism where it takes place.
Fri 13 March	Iran regularly tries to attack Israeli citizens residing outside Israel. They often especially target diplomats. The Mossad has already foiled many of such attacks. Give thanks for this and pray for protection of Israeli citizens abroad.
Sat 14 March Sabbath	"But Jesus called the children to Him and said, 'Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.'" (Luke 18:16). In Ashkelon the biggest playground in Israel was opened. Give thanks for this and pray that many children will have a good time there in a safe environment.
Sun 15 March	"Trust in Him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to Him, for God is our refuge." (Psalm 62:8). Pray for unity amongst the Israeli people. Pray that they put their trust in God.
Mon 16 March	There are far-reaching plans to build a large industrial zone between Israel and Jordan. It is expected that this will strengthen the economies of both countries and that Europe and the USA will also benefit. Give thanks for this project and pray that this project will indeed be a blessing for Israel and Jordan and that the safety at the border crossing is guaranteed.
Tue 17 March	For the first time in decades there have been direct talks between Israeli and Lebanese senior officials. After the talks Israel indicated that there had been discussions about creating a good relationship between the countries and economic cooperation. However, Lebanon denied this and

	indicated that normalisation between the countries is still a long way off. Pray that the talks will have a positive outcome.
Wed 18 March	Research shows that the majority of the journalists killed by Israel in Gaza had ties to terrorist organisations. Some even fought for Hamas and were journalists at the same time. Pray that the world will confront this kind of news, and that lies about Israel —such as claims that it attacks innocent journalists—will be refuted.
Thu 19 March	Pray for protection of the people in Ukraine and particularly for the Jewish people living there. The war with Russia is still going on and there is a constant threat of danger. Elderly Jewish people often suffer from poverty. Pray that God will bless the Jews in Ukraine.
Fri 20 March	Following the Hanukkah attack on Bondi Beach in Australia on 16 December, 2025, many messages from Iranians were posted on X (formerly Twitter) to encourage the Israelis. Give thanks for this support from the Iranian people and pray that the Iranian regime will be toppled.
Sat 21 March Sabbath	“Prudence is a fountain of life to the prudent...” (Proverbs 16:22a). A breakthrough in the treatment of blood cancer has been achieved by Israeli scientists. The chemotherapy combined with biological therapy yields exceptional success rates. Give thanks for these medical developments.
Sun 22 March	“When He was at the table with them, He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, and He disappeared from their sight.” (Luke 24:30-31). Give thanks today for Jews who got to know Lord Jesus as their Messiah. Pray for a blessing on their lives and that they will be a blessing to the people around them.
Mon 23 March	In recent years the number of Israelis in Budapest has increased enormously. They come for holidays, study or employment with international companies. Until now antisemitism has been successfully defeated by the authorities. Pray that this will continue.
Tue 24 March	IsraAID is an Israeli organization that takes action in the event of major disasters worldwide. Recently in Sri Lanka after the hurricane, but also in Jamaica and Myanmar. Give thanks for all the aid workers and pray for wisdom and sufficient resources.
Wed 25 March	As a result of the war, many new population groups in Israel were struck with poverty, like the families of reservists. The middle class and the elderly are struggling to make ends meet as well. Pray for wisdom of the Government to adequately help these people to escape from the poverty cycle.
Thu 26 March	The academic boycott against Israeli scientists and Israeli institutions is increasing. Pray for a turnaround in this worrying trend that tries to isolate Israeli science.
Fri 27 March	The Jaffa Institute is the oldest project supported by Christians for Israel. It provides care for many vulnerable Israeli children and young adults. Give thanks for this work and pray that it may be a blessing for many of them.
Sat 28 March Sabbath	“Who is He, this King of glory? The Lord Almighty— He is the King of glory.” (Psalm 24:10). Thank God that He is King of heaven and earth and has everything under control.
Sun 29 March	“Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.” (Psalm 100:4). There are different Jewish artists/bands like Joshua Aaron and SOLU, that reach Christians in many countries with their songs of praise. Pray for a blessing for these bands and that more and more often Jews and Christians from the nations will worship God together.
Mon 30 March	Give thanks for the roughly 100,000 foreign volunteers who have helped after October 7 in Israeli agriculture. Give thanks as well for the different organisations that enabled this. Pray that these volunteers will get ample opportunity to share their experiences with others.
Tue 31 March	Give thanks for all employees and volunteers of Christians for Israel who remain committed to Israel. Pray that they will do their work joyfully and feel blessed in it.