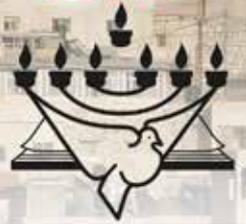


Wall of Prayer

*Praying for Israel's Cities,
Towns and Villages*



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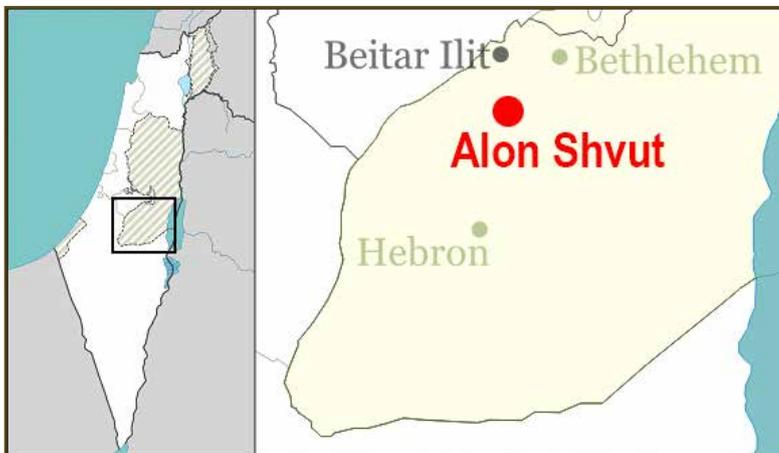
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"If ye will still abide in this land, then will I build you, and not pull you down, and I will plant you, and not pluck you up; for I repent Me of the evil that I have done unto you" (Jeremiah 42:10, JPS Tanach 1917).



Alon Shvut, in the district of Judea and Samaria, under the Gush Etzion Council, was founded in 1970. It is an Israeli community raised up by the Lord God of Israel, one of the many towns, cities and villages He promised to blossom and bud when His Chosen People came back home. It is exactly one kilometer northeast of Kfar Etzion, and southwest of Jerusalem. Some of the Jewish neighborhood communities near it are Neve Daniel, Elazar and Efrat. Over a year ago, a census was taken and then its population was approximately 3,180 families and children.

It is a complicated area to live in with much tension and some fear. Senseless murders of innocent Jewish people in the community has sent it into mourning at different times. The roads and some sidewalks can be unsafe at times, and violence perpetrated by Arabs has not been unusual. It has a hitchhiking station nearby where three Israeli boys were abducted and murdered in the summer of 2014. CFI ministered the love and compassion of Christians from around the world, to one of the mothers of the deceased boys, as she had never met a genuine Christian before in her life. Pray that this pastoral, rural area where children love to walk, guitars in hand to swim in the local spring, jog and ride bicycles, will be kept from harm. The area also contains a boutique winery, bakeries, restaurants and beauty spots.



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Let's Ascend the Wall of Prayer and Beseech the Lord:

- **Pray** that the Bible-believing Jewish communities who have helped to settle these lovely communities, will continue to receive the blessings of God by following His Ways. ***"...For the ways of the LORD are right, the righteous walk in them..."*** (Hosea 14:9b).
- **Call out to God** that all fortified army camps with security barriers and infantry soldiers will continue, to be kept by the Right Hand of God, to keep the people in the communities, safe. ***"...but I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High, I will remember the works of the LORD...Who is so great a God as our God?"*** (Psalm 77:10-13).
- **Thank the Lord** that one day all communities in Israel will have no need to fear violence, unprovoked terrorist attacks and senseless murders of innocent Jewish people. ***"Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away"*** (Isaiah 51:11).
- **Pray fervently** that the LORD will be the determination within Jacob, to continue on at whatever the cost. May all of Israel praise His Name soon, and turn from any ungodliness, and remember that God has chosen Israel and will continue to settle them in their own Land. ***"For the LORD will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and set them in their own land: and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob"*** (Isaiah 14:1).
- **Praise His Name** for God's wonderful *"Rachem"* (mercy) upon Zion and upon Jerusalem, His Holy City. May the faith and spirit of Israel (while their enemies seek to kill, the Israelis embrace life) prevail. When their enemies destroy, they build. May this enduring spirit continue to grow and develop into all that the Father God wants it to be and may their final redemption and salvation soon come to all Israel. ***"...and in this way all Israel will be saved. As it is written: "The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob"*** (Romans 11:26, NIV).

May the God of Israel, who is in complete control of His World, continue to perform His Promises to Jacob. As our eyes watch, the most marvelous miracle on earth continues to take place – the growth and development of the infant Jewish state into a full grown and strong nation, the strongest on earth. Why? Because GOD ALMIGHTY is their strength, their power, their fortitude, their stamina, their KING! He has brought them home from the four corners of the earth to show that *when He makes a Promise, He keeps it!* He has planted the Jewish people with all of His Heart! And we shall see in the future, that He will protect her and fight for her, when her enemies try to move her from God's Land. Pray for this lovely community and protect them through your prayers and strategic intercessions. **Come to visit her and tell the people you are praying for her!**

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