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EILAT

“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land” (2 Chronicles 7:14, NIV).

Every nation on earth, along with Israel, has the opportunity to receive health and wholeness and soundness of spirit, if they will only ask God for forgiveness. Repentance is not easy for nations to do, but Nineveh (Jonah 3) did it, and she was saved. The above Scripture was originally, and it still is, for God’s Chosen People, Israel. With all of the promises of salvation and redemption for this beautiful Nation of People, and their Land, there still remains many areas which only God can heal. As we pray for our own nations, let us pray first and foremost, for the “chosen nation, Israel.” Let us pray in love, in compassion and deep concern because we love her.

Our chosen city in Israel this month is Eilat. It lies at the southern tip of Israel, near the Gulf of Aqaba and the Egyptian village of Taba. It is home to over 50,000 people, and is a popular tourist attraction for people from all over the world. It is mentioned in the Bible. “Eilat is first mentioned in the Hebrew Bible in the Book of Exodus. The first six stations of the Exodus are in Egypt. The seventh is the crossing of the Red Sea and the 9-13th are in and around Eilat, after the exodus from Egypt and crossing the Red Sea.” (Wikipedia Commons) We do not pray often enough for this city of Israel. It is a very modern-day city, and sea vacation spot. In the making is a new international airport which will be based in Eilat for international guests from across the world.

Let’s Enter the Throne Room of Prayer:

- Pray fervently for spiritual revival to begin there. If Nineveh repented, so can Eilat of the worldly pleasures and places of comfort that have been built. It is a lovely spot for a vacation, but it lacks spiritual input from the Scriptures. “Then the people of Nineveh believed in God; and they called a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least of them. When the word reached the king of Nineveh, he arose from his throne, laid aside his robe from him, covered himself with sackcloth and sat on theashes. He issued a proclamation and it said, ‘In Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles: Do not let man, beast, herd, or flock taste a thing. Do not let them eat or drink water. But both man and beast must be covered with sackcloth; and let men call on God earnestly that each may turn from his wicked way and from the violence which is inhis hands. Who knows, God may turn and relent and withdraw His burning anger so that we will not perish. When God saw their deeds, that they turned from their wicked way, then God relented concerning the calamity which He had declared He would jbring upon them. And He did not do it.” (Jonah 3, NASB).
• Thank God for the light that is coming from places like “The Shelter” (TheShelter.com) which is a testimony to Yeshua, in this place. It is a very popular place for many to visit and much light shines from this place, declaring the hunger for God’s Word. “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven” (Matthew 5:14-15 NIV, Proverbs 14:25).

• Beseech the Lord for a hunger and thirst for righteousness like has never before permeated this city. “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled” (Matthew 5:6, NIV).

• May God’s ministries thrive near the shores of the Red Sea...that righteousness might begin to flow like a river right into the city. “But let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream” (Amos 5:24, KJV).

• Ask for attractions to be built that would be of a religious and spiritual nature such as telling the story of the Great Exodus and how God brought His People by way of this great waterway into the Land of Israel. Ask God for those who would stand up and tell the story of the Bible there. “One night the Lord said to Paul in a vision, “Do not be afraid anymore, but go on speaking and do not be silent” (Acts 18:9, ESV).

• Intercede for many youth from around the world who come there for beaches and swimming to be drawn by the Spirit of the Lord, to come to seek spiritual help from Godly men and women who know the Bible, and the way of righteousness. May Eilat be such a spiritual attraction in the coming days, that people will ask the way, just as they inquire about Zion. “They will ask the way to Zion and turn their faces toward it. They will come and bind themselves to the LORD in an everlasting covenant that will not be forgotten” (Jeremiah 50:5, NIV).

• Pray for divine protection for Eilat in case of any conflict or war that might spark a nationwide emergency problem for the nations. May Eilat become a way of righteousness and a pathway for holiness. “In the way of righteousness is life, and in its pathway there is no death” (Proverbs 12:28, NASB).

• Believe the promises that all of God’s Land, every city, seaport, beach front and vacation spot will be havens of truth and righteousness, for His Name’s Sake.

As the Lord brings back His People, may He bring a reign of righteous hearts, desiring to take first place among the nations in spiritual things. This is prophesied to be, and let us pray until He Comes to usher it in.

Until He Comes,
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