

Watchman's Prayer Letter



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Standing At Our Guard Posts

*"I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts;
I will look to see what he will say to me..." (Habakkuk 2:1, NIV).*

It takes a strong, determined and vibrant faith to stay standing in prayer when the winds of deception, opposition and discouraging reports continue to be heard by the Watchman's ear. "Little is known about Habakkuk except that he was a contemporary of Jeremiah and a man of vigorous faith rooted deeply in the religious traditions of Israel." (The International Bible Society). However, as Habakkuk was deeply rooted in his religious traditions of ancient Israel, let us also be seriously committed to the faith in our hearts that we will overcome, and teach others to overcome, through standing....by not losing our rank...and by mastering our thoughts and overpowering the enemy through the Word of God and prayer. Multitudes of Christian prayer warriors, and serious intercessors, have been holding the fortress of prayer faithfully. CFI began providing prayer bulletins from Jerusalem in the late 1980's, and has become a main supplier to many nations



Watchtower in Tiberias (CC BY-SA 3.0, Wikimedia)

of prayer fuel for the nation and people of Israel. Our spiritual guarding stations are a type of fortification, a defense-barricade against the enemy's onslaught of wickedness and evil aimed against the Nation of Israel, in the spiritual realm. The photo used above is an ancient city tower in the city of Tiberias, now broken down and useless. Digging into the Word of God in relation to our prayer points, and standing firm on the ramparts of God's Word, we, present day guardians, will keep any gaps from forming, and the wall of prayer will not be broken down, nor damaged, because of a lack of concern for Israel. Our Guard Posts provide a safe place from which we can lift our hands in prayer, call out for mercy, pray the Word of God, and proclaim His promises. We are "soldiers" in a nonmilitary way, soldiers of prayer. Our Watchtowers need to be kept manned around the clock. We praise God that these prayer bulletins from CFI go around the world; therefore, prayer is going up at all hours for God's Chosen People, and Nation. **Thank you to every Bible study group, every prayer meeting, every church prayer time and every prayer for Israel that is coming forth from the nations for this beloved nation and people. God is watching from His Holy Habitation.**

Let us Go to the Throne Room of Prayer

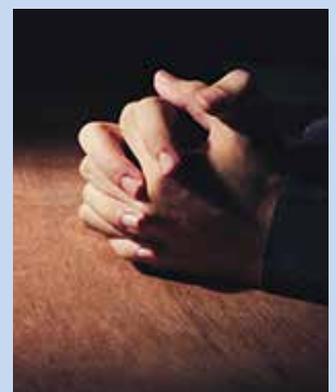
Even though a great deal of time is spent on praying for Israel's safety and security, it is more than necessary – it is imperative. Every day on the calendar, year around, year after year, every inch of Israel's borders must be observed closely because of continual wicked attempts at infiltrating her borders and plots against innocent civilians living in the Land. The red alert on my phone application is quiet at the moment, but the second a rocket or projectile is launched from outside of Israel's borders into this Land, I, along with others, receive the sound of an alert siren telling me, that a launched object is on its way. Please realize how important your prayers are in this area of ministry.

- **Pray against** the threats coming out of Turkey in Joseph Farah's G2 Bulletin which advocated the establishing of joint bases for an Army of Islam's ground, air and naval forces that would arrive from all over the Muslim world to besiege Israel. It stated that if the member states "unite and form a joint military

force, it will be the largest army in the world...the number of soldiers would be at least 5,206,100. Pray that these insidious plans of the rearing of the head of enemies against Israel will come to nothing. ***“They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance, for they have consulted together with one consent, they are confederate against thee...”*** (Psalm 83:4-5, KJV). May the forming of an alliance conspiring, with one accord, never come to pass...but if it does, the God of Israel, the Almighty, will defend Israel, as there is nothing too difficult for Him to handle. ***“...there is nothing too hard for Thee...”*** (Jeremiah 32:17, KJV).

- **Pray Intently that** the threats of Hamas (*Hebrew for violence*) to attack Israel through new suicide attacks will have no successful result. ***“...the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord...”*** (Malachi 4:1; Proverbs 2:22).
- **Pray Fervently that** Israeli leadership will have Godly understanding to decide whether to destroy enemy capabilities (such as Iranian nuclear weapons) rather than to wait until it is too late and run the risk of ruining the safety of the future of the nation. This includes the destruction of Iranian missile bases in Syria which pose a grave threat to Israel. It is a huge responsibility and we need to pray for every member of the Knesset. ***“For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding”*** (Proverbs 2:6).
- **Ask the Lord that** (God Forbid) war breaks out as has been forecasted, that God can give the wisdom to handle evacuations from the north, in an orderly way. Pray for the Home Front Command to devise a good plan that will help people to head to less targeted areas and to have the appropriate shelter and care during times of conflict. ***“Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by.”*** (Isaiah 26:20, NIV).
- **Beseech God for** Israel's government to be in place, in unity and of one accord during times of extreme stress and decision making. ***“I have heard all about you, LORD. I am filled with awe by your amazing works. In this time of our deep need, help us again as you did in years gone by. And in your anger, remember your mercy”*** (Habakkuk 3:2).
- **Proclaim God's Promises that** even though assessment reports have stated that the coming war “is going to be one of the toughest in Israel's history” as well as facing a possible five-front war, we thank God for the 4500 service personnel from the US who have completed military training with Israel. However, we ask that Israel would always remember that it is GOD, not MAN, who can help save her and bring her through whatever she has to face. **Proclaim together by reading: Psalm 5:11; 31:2, 5; 35:35; Zechariah 9:15; 12:8; Psalm 18:2; 89:18; 94:22; 7:10; 118:14-18).**
- **Praise God that** He is far stronger than Hezbollah's 120,000 rockets and projectiles aimed at Israel. Today, Israel's enemies have the capabilities of hitting all of Israel. Praise Him that while Israelis are in “war rooms”, a host of Christian intercessors and prayer warriors – many associated with CFI around the world – will be in their own “war rooms” praying for Israel's safety and welfare. ***“On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the LORD in remembrance, take no rest”*** (Isaiah 62:6).

Thank you once again for your faithful calling to the Lord and His Chosen People. As Christians, we must be the ones, carrying Israel on the wings of prayer without fail. One day we will know how important this was, and how many attempts to hurt or damage the nation were **averted because of our prayers**. God bless you all. Please also pray for Israel's safety during this 70th Anniversary year as many from the nations “come up to Jerusalem” and scout out the Land. Come visit and see for yourself what God has done, and how He continues to perform His Word. And always remember, we can thank the Lord that we, as Christians who believe in Yeshua (Jesus), and God Fearers that we are, can say with Israel, we worship the ***“Lord God of the Hebrews”!*** ***“And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord God of the Hebrews... let my people go, that they may serve me”*** (Exodus 10:3, KJV).



Until He Comes,
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