

# Watchman's Prayer Letter



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## Praying Through the Darkness



***“Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy.” (Psalm 64:1)***

Whether we are pleading or crying out to God to preserve Israel from the dreaded peril of her enemies, or to keep her safe in dangerous times, there is no darkness that can keep the light of prayer from shining through. Many in Islam today are enslaved to the adversary, serving a false god and under the dominion of the kingdom of darkness. Many do not know they are in bondage, some live in a state of denial and refuse to admit that they need to be rescued from the domain of darkness.

Since ancient Bible times, Israel's enemies have been taunting her, boasting against her, and threatening her with insulting remarks and offensive provocations. International media bias and fake news serve the world with a Menu of Headlines such as: “Hezbollah Chief Tells Jews to Flee Before Israel Devastated by War”, (Dov Lieber article, *Times of Israel*). ***“For mine enemies speak against me...” (Psalm 71:10a).***

An entire listing of Islamic boasting against the Jewish state could be listed, but just as the giant Goliath boasted against little David, I believe the giant this time (Islam) will be defeated by David (Israel) when the first shot fired begins a war in the north. Israel has been preparing for months how to handle an outbreak of another conflict with Hamas, Hezbollah and other Islamic terrorists. It is our work, as Watchmen on the Walls, to fight the war with her, in the Spirit of Prayer. What can be accomplished in the spirit, are great things for God but we must stay at our Posts and never pull back. May God grant the grace and fortitude to the faithful prayer warriors and intercessors who meet together to pray for Israel, in whatever nation you are from. We are all deeply grateful here in Jerusalem for those whose voices are raised to God on a continual basis and who continue to pray through the darkest of times.

# Let's Enter the Throne Room of Prayer

- **Pray for** the Palestinian couple who last month discovered their teenage son had planned to carry out a terrorist attack against Israeli soldiers. Often when they stand up for Israel, they are persecuted. Pray for their protection and thank God that they were honest and caring people who turned him in before innocent lives were taken. **"...through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies submit themselves unto thee" (Psalm 66:3b)**. Also thank God that a recent article stated that ..."the head of a Palestinian village in Jerusalem says almost all of the city's Arabs would prefer to live peacefully under Israeli administration."
- **Pray Fervently** that Hamas operatives will stop digging terrorist tunnels into Israel. Israel has given a warning to them to stop. Pray that finances and budgets to dig tunnels to infiltrate Israel will dry up in order for secret plots of wicked people to be thwarted. **"Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked, from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity" (Psalm 64:2)**.
- **Beseech the Lord** that more faith, more believers, more God Fearers will be warriors in the Israel Defense Forces and serve in the strength of the Lord. Even though it is made up of many different Israelis from all walks of life, let us pray for great integrity, wisdom and standards to prevail in the IDF and all Israeli military forces. **"I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD..." (Psalm 71:16a)**.
- **Petition the Lord** for His mercies this year for much rain for the Land. According to the news reports, the thirsty Sea of Galilee is sinking toward the lowest level ever recorded as Northern Israel experiences one of the worst droughts in 100 years. Pray for the water tables to rise rapidly once God sends rain. God often withholds rain when He wants His People to repent. Pray that much prayer here will go up for early and latter rains....some of which has already fallen during Succot. **"And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit" (James 5:18)**.
- **Thank God** for our Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu who has proclaimed that no more settlements will be uprooted in the Land of Israel. **"And I will plant them upon their land, and the shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God" (Amos 9:15)**.
- **Praise God** for the breakthrough in the IDF that the military rolled out measures to quit selling harmful cigarettes on army bases. This is a very good step not only for health purposes, but for a cleaner environment for them to work in and also to take care of their bodies. Praise God for this move by the military.

Much continues to take place in the Nation of Israel that signals spiritual strength is gaining ground over the many vices that have entered in through other nations, or the desire to be like other nations. Please keep praying for our Beloved Israel to truly be a "light to the nations" and to lead the world in Godly ways in preparation for the Coming Kingdom of God to this earth: to Jerusalem. May God prepare His Nation, and the true Church, for the days ahead.

From Israel with Love,  
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