

SEPTEMBER PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray for Israel

A. Resuming of Ethiopian Aliyah

Around 7,500 members of the ancient Ethiopian Jewish community remain in transit camps in Addis Ababa and Gondar, most living in very difficult conditions. They left behind all their homes, lands, and possessions many years ago, and have now been separated from their families in Israel for up to 25 years.

- Please pray that the door would quickly reopen for the last remnant of Ethiopian Jews to come home to Israel.
- Pray that the next government in Israel would act swiftly to keep the nation's official promise to bring home all the remaining members of this Jewish community.
- Also pray for the ICEJ's on-going Aliyah efforts in other nations and regions of the globe, especially in the former Soviet republics, such as Russia, Ukraine, and Belarus, as well as in Eastern Europe, Germany (many Jews from the old Soviet Union live there), France (many moved there from North Africa), Brazil and other Latin American nations, the Kaifeng Jews from China, and the Bnei Menashe from India.
- Pray for the recent and upcoming Aliyah seminar weekends which we are sponsoring in Russia, Ukraine, Finland, Germany, and Brazil. These seminars usually result in 80% of participants deciding to move to Israel. Ask the Lord for 100 percent Aliyah rates out of these efforts.
- Pray for the Church worldwide to wake up to God's plan and purpose for using Gentile believers to help bring His people home to Israel in our day.
- Finally, at the beginning of the year we started praying that the Lord would move upon more Jews who live in North America to consider making Aliyah to Israel. There are over five million Jews in the United States and most seem comfortable with their lives and have no desire to uproot their families to start a new life six thousand miles away in Israel. But please continue to ask the Lord to draw His people even in the USA to return to the Land of their forefathers, for His glory.
- Scriptures to use:

"Thus says the Lord God: 'Behold, I will lift My hand in an oath to the nations, and set up My standard for the peoples; They shall bring your sons in their arms, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders ...' (Isaiah 49:22)

"He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad." (Matthew 12:30)

B. Elections in Israel

As the Israeli elections draw closer, things are now heating up as summer winds down and candidates prepare for the last stretch before the voting on September 17th. Most of the parties have saved up the bulk of their campaign funding for this final push over the next two weeks or so. Israel is a vibrant democracy, but the political conversation can get rather rough-and-tumble at times.

Meanwhile, most polls show the new Blue & White list holding steady with the ruling Likud party at around 30-31 seats each. However, the Israeli public still does not exactly know the views and platform of Blue & White and their leaders, and how they differ from *Likud* or other factions.

- Let us pray that there will be a good civil discourse between the candidates and parties during this final leg of the campaign.
- Please pray that the various party positions become clearer to the voting public over the coming weeks.
- Let us continue to pray that the Lord would steer the nation in the right direction through this voting process.
- Pray for a clear decision by the Israeli public.
- Pray for upright leaders.
- Pray especially that the new elections would give Israel a leader who would have wisdom in forming a coalition government without having to surrender to the demands of the strict ultra-Orthodox parties on such matters as marriage, divorce, immigration, and conversion.
- Scriptures to use:

"Therefore, give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?" (1 Kings 3:9)

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance." (Psalms 33:12)

Also pray from Psalm 119:18.

2. Pray for the Region

A. Building Tensions between Iran and Israel

Reports continue to mount indicating that Israel and Iran, in many ways, are already in a proxy war with each other. This has become more apparent through the Syrian civil war over the past couple of years, as Israel has carried out hundreds of airstrikes inside Syria against Iranian and

Hizbullah forces, weapons depots, arms shipments and other military targets. Just over recent days, it was revealed that Iranian forces inside Syria were planning to send an explosives-laden drone over the border into Israel, but IDF planes thwarted the plot. Recently, there also have been rumors and reports that Israel is carrying out airstrikes against Iranian-backed Shi'ite militias in Iraq. Israel also appears to be participating at certain levels in the coalition the US is putting together to protect the flow of oil and shipping through the Straits of Hormuz and other key waterways in the region from Iranian threats.

- Let us pray that Israel will always have the upper hand in this growing confrontation with Iran, and that the advances and aggression in the region by the radical Islamic regime in Tehran would be completely turned back by the Lord God Almighty.
- Pray against any Iranian attempts to target Israel and to drag the whole region into war.
- Let us also pray that peace would prevail in the Persian Gulf region, and that the US-led sanctions against Iran would persuade the regime in Tehran to end its drive for nuclear weapons and its aggressive actions in the Middle East.
- And let us pray that a new government would arise in Iran which would be more concerned with the welfare of the Iranian people than with their obsessive hatred of Israel.
- Scriptures to use:

"Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the wicked; Preserve me from violent men, who have purposed to make my steps stumble." (Psalm 140:4)

"Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war." (Revelation 19:11)

Also pray from Isaiah 54:17.

3. Pray for the ICEJ

A. Feast of Tabernacles 2019

As we continue to pray for the Feast of Tabernacles in mid-October:

- Please pray that attendance will be rich and all of those called to be here will be in attendance.
- As there are still many volunteer position that need to be filled for the Feast, please pray that the right men and women would respond to God's call and serve alongside us.
- Please pray that both pilgrims and volunteers would be blessed with ample time off from work and the necessary finances.

- Please pray for a very sweet and very strong presence of the Lord on every day of the upcoming Feast of Tabernacles.
- Pray that the Holy Spirit would anoint the worship and the preaching of the Word of God as never before.
- Pray that the Church worldwide would fully awaken to the prophetic and spiritual significance of celebrating the Feast of Tabernacles in Jerusalem in anticipation of the Lord's soon return.
- Scriptures to use:

"Your people shall be volunteers in the day of Your power; In the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning, You have the dew of Your youth." (Psalm 110:3)

"And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

Thank you for joining with us in prayer!