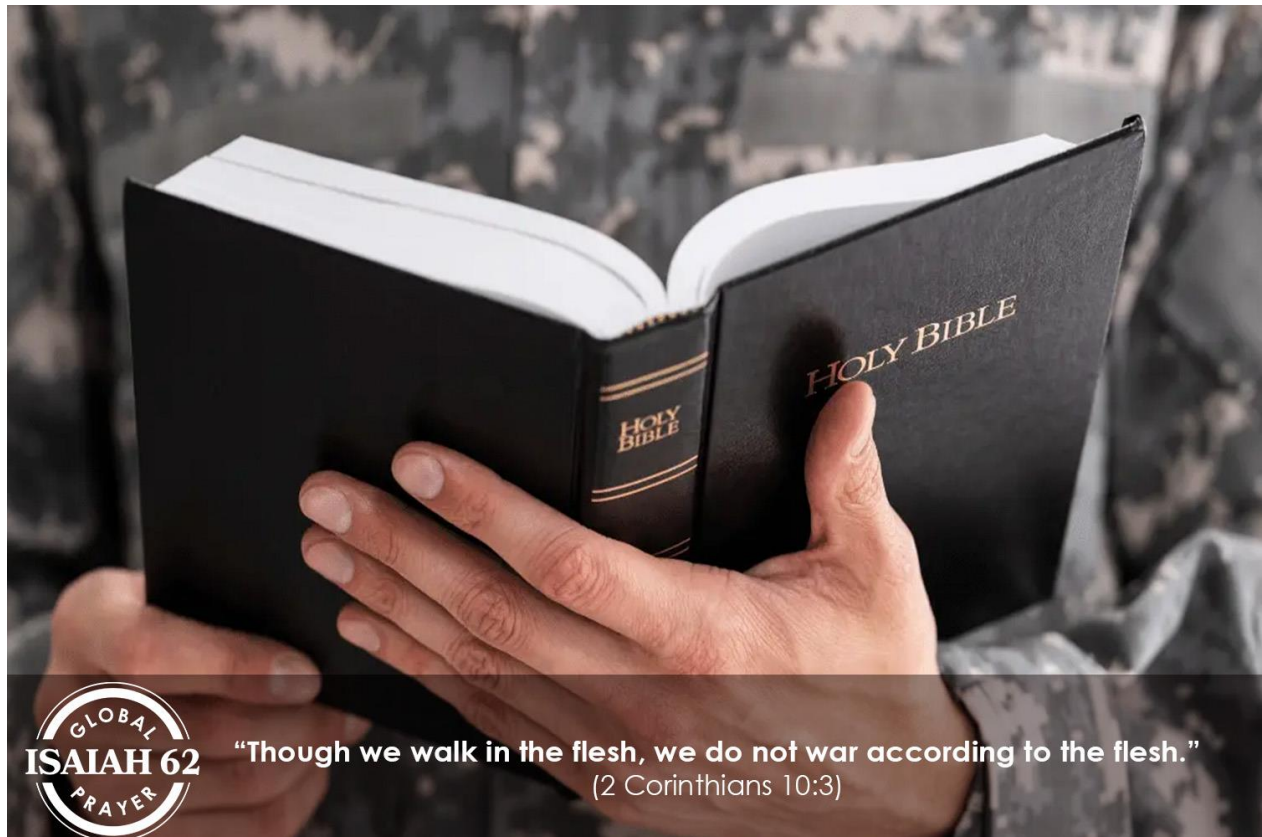


Prayer Points for November 2023

The next day of prayer for our Global Prayer campaign will be on **Thursday, 23rd November**
7-9pm AEDT2023. Please join us!

Check out our website for all our Australian prayer initiatives icej.org.au/get-involved/pray-with-us/
Also make sure to join us **every Wednesday at 4:00 PM (Israel time)** for the weekly Isaiah 62 Global Prayer
Gathering. Go to on.icej.org/ICEJGlobalPrayer



Prayer for Israel

1. Pray that the war will be successful in completely removing the threat of Hamas from not only Israel but the entire Middle East. May they never raise their heads again to harm Israel and suppress their own Arab people. Pray for decisiveness and resolve among Israel's leaders to pursue this battle to the very end

Psalm 18:34ff

- 2.** Pray for the protection of all Israeli soldiers who serve their nation. May a divine hedge of protection surround them!

Psalm 91

- 3.** Pray for unity among the people of Israel, that this war will become the catalyst for a new-found brotherly spirit throughout the nation

Luke 11:17

- 4.** Pray for protection for all those in the region who love peace and seek to live in friendship with Israel and the Jewish people. Pray that God would send deliverance and a spirit of repentance and transformation upon the people in Gaza.

- 5.** Pray that many Rahabs might come forth to join the Israeli people in this effort to restore calm and sanity in the region, just like Rahab did in hiding and assisting the people of Israel.

- 6.** Pray for the Arab churches in Israel, the territories, and the wider Middle East, to have the courage and moral clarity to take a clear stand in the conflict and distance themselves from the evil spirit of Hamas. Pray that God's Spirit will remove the veil of Replacement theology and Supersessionism from their hearts.

- 7.** Pray that this conflict will become a catalyst for spiritual renewal in Israel. Pray that miracles of God would manifest in powerful ways. May this be the time when the Spirit of grace and supplication will be poured out upon Israel as foreseen in Zechariah 12:10ff. Just as Abraham entered the Land of Promise on his 75th birthday to reach his divine destiny, let us pray that on this 75th anniversary of the state of Israel, its people would begin to enter into their redemptive destiny in God.



Dear Prayer Partners,

This prayer letter is written in the shadow of the war which was thrust upon Israel on *Simchat Torah*, the last day of the Jewish fall holidays. I want to reiterate what has been said many times since the war started. Our role at ICEJ is threefold: prayer, giving to relief aid, and standing in solidarity with Israel in our countries.

As the horrific pictures and details about the atrocities committed by Hamas are being gradually revealed, it puts extra pressure on us. Therefore, the first admonishment is: guard your heart. Stress can cause us to be less vigilant against the snares of the devil, and we are tempted to fall into our old habits. Or we simply get depressed or carried away by anger. As James says, "the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God" (James 1:19). Paul adds in Ephesians 6:13, that this is the time to "take up the whole armour of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."

The nature of this fight is spiritual! This war is another clash with the spirit of Amalek, this cruel enemy that attacked the Jewish people many times in history. It is characterized by focusing on the killing of women and children, the elderly and the weak. Moses reminded the people of Israel: "Remember what Amalek did to you on the way as you were coming out of Egypt, how he met you on the way and attacked your rear ranks, all the stragglers at your rear, when you were tired and weary; and he did not fear God." (Deuteronomy 25:17-18) It is the same spirit that was behind the Nazi perpetrators of the Holocaust.

The fact that the fight is going on in the heavenlies, however, does not rule out the physical war that Israel has to wage against the people under the influence of this evil spirit. Such a war is justified by all standards of international law. But there is more to it, and we need to have clarity about this. Israel is chosen by God to represent Him on this earth, the attack against her is an attack on God Himself (Psalm 83:2), and God makes Israel also an instrument of His judgment (Isaiah 41:15).

This puts our theology to the test. Those who embrace the notion that the Church has replaced Israel and the Jewish people are now just like any other nation can easily fall prey to the tired clichés of "ending the cycle of violence" and "even-handedness", which would in effect erase the difference between right and wrong, between light and darkness. As if the massacre of Israeli



civilians by Hamas can somehow be compared to the just defence of the nation by her army, which is doing its utmost to spare civilians.

We are in a spiritual battle, and “the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ” (2 Corinthians 10:4-5). Please pray for moral clarity in this conflict and do not hesitate to speak up for Israel. There are many strongholds in the minds of well-meaning people that must be pulled down.

Shalom from Jerusalem!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mojmir Kallus', is positioned below the text 'Shalom from Jerusalem!'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mojmir Kallus
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Thank you for joining with us in prayer!

