

ISAIAH 62 PRAYER INITIATIVE

Monthly Prayer Letter for October 2026

"The LORD also will roar from Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem." (Joel 3:16a)

Dear Prayer Partners,

As the Feast of Tabernacles, or Sukkot, draws to a close and the annual cycle of Torah reading begins anew, we are reminded of God's enduring faithfulness and His unfolding purposes for Israel and the nations. Also known as the Feast of Ingathering, Sukkot celebrates the harvest and prophetically points towards the day when the nations will come to Jerusalem to worship the Lord. In a season marked by uncertainty and turmoil, this appointed feast declares a powerful truth: God remains faithful to His promises.

Throughout Scripture, Sukkot carries profound prophetic significance. Zechariah speaks of a day when the nations will come up to Jerusalem to worship the King. Isaiah describes a feast prepared for all peoples, when the veil covering the nations will be removed. These promises reveal God's heart for the nations and His enduring covenant purposes for Israel.

It was during this very feast that Yeshua stood in Jerusalem and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink" (John 7:37). He spoke of rivers of living water flowing from those who believe in Him, pointing to the Holy Spirit. How desperately our nations need that living water today. As we pray for Israel and the nations, we do so with confidence that the Spirit of God is still moving, awakening hearts and drawing people to Himself.

This year's Feast theme, "The Lord Roars from Zion," comes from Joel chapter three, which opens with a promise: "When I restore the fortunes of Judah and Jerusalem." The roar from Zion comes in the context of restoration. God has not forgotten His covenant or abandoned His purposes. Joel then brings the nations into the valley of decision, where the Lord executes His judgment concerning His people and His land. God's purposes for Israel are not peripheral to the biblical story, and the nations are accountable before Him for how they respond.

Yet the roar from Zion is not the final word. Joel continues: "But the LORD will be a shelter for His people, and the strength of the children of Israel" (Joel 3:16b). The God who roars is also the God who restores, protects and saves. This Sukkot, believers from around the world gathered in Jerusalem, offering a foretaste of the day when the nations will come to worship the King.

Let us pray with renewed faith that the veil over Israel and the nations will be lifted and that living water will flow freely. May we bless Israel, intercede for the nations, proclaim the hope of the coming King and hear the voice of the Lord who roars from Zion.

Blessings from Jerusalem,



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Prayer Points for October 2026

The next day of prayer and fasting in our Isaiah 62 Global Prayer Campaign will be on Wednesday, 7 October 2026. Also, join our daily Global Prayer Gathering at 4:30 PM (Israel time) to pray for Israel. Go to: on.icej.org/ICEJGlobalPrayer Finally, send us your prayer requests at: prayer@icej.org



PRAYER FOR ISRAEL AND THE NATIONS

1. For upcoming elections in Israel. Israel is entering a crucial season as the nation prepares for elections on 27 October amid ongoing military threats and the continuing possibility of a wider regional war. Pray for wisdom, integrity and discernment among Israel's current and future leaders. Ask the Lord to raise up leaders who will act with courage, humility and genuine concern for the wellbeing of the nation, pursuing truth and righteousness while seeking His guidance in every decision. "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." (Proverbs 14:34)

2. For the Middle East is being reshaped. The Middle East is undergoing significant change as regional powers, including Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Egypt, seek greater influence and new alliances and security arrangements emerge. At the same time, Iran and its proxies continue to pose serious threats to Israel and regional stability. Pray for Israel's leaders to respond with wisdom and courage. Ask the Lord to frustrate plans formed against Israel, restrain those who seek conflict and open new doors for genuine peace between Israel and her neighbours. Pray that amid shifting alliances, the Lord will guide the leaders of the region towards decisions that bring stability and peace. "He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariot in the fire." (Psalm 46:9)

3. For Iran and her people. Pray for the Iranian people, asking the Lord to bring mercy, freedom and righteous leadership. Intercede for the underground Church, including pastors, house church leaders and new believers facing persecution. Ask God to protect His people, strengthen their witness and open doors for the Gospel. May many Iranians encounter Yeshua, receive living water and become messengers of hope and reconciliation throughout their nation. "For I will pour water on him who is thirsty, and floods on the dry ground; I will pour My Spirit on your descendants, and My blessing on your offspring." (Isaiah 44:3)

4. Pray for Aliyah. Over the past year, Jewish communities in many Western nations have experienced a severe and sustained rise in antisemitism. Against this backdrop, interest in Aliyah is rising sharply in several Western countries as increasing numbers of Jewish people consider making Israel their home. Scripture reminds us that the Lord is gathering His people back to the land He promised them. Please pray for protection, provision and safe journeys for those making Aliyah. Pray that they will find refuge and belonging in Israel, and that their return will open their hearts to encounter the Lord and recognise His faithfulness to His covenant promises. "For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land." (Ezekiel 36:24)

5. For spiritual awakening in Israel. This year, during the Feast of Tabernacles, a record number of young Israelis participated in prayers of repentance leading up to Sukkot. This heartfelt response reflects a growing spiritual hunger among Israel's younger generation. Let us give thanks for what the Lord is doing and pray that this hunger for God will continue to grow, leading many to seek Him and encounter Him, as Jacob did when he wrestled with God. "And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: 'For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.'" (Genesis 32:30)

6. For the veil over the nations. Isaiah speaks of a veil covering all peoples and a shroud spread over all nations, which the Lord Himself will remove. Pray for spiritual blindness to be lifted from the nations and for people to recognise the truth of God's Word and His redemptive purposes for Israel. Pray especially for the Church to discern God's purposes, reject antisemitism and replacement theology, and demonstrate His love and faithfulness towards the Jewish people. Above all, pray that the nations will turn to the Lord, encounter Yeshua and come to worship the King. "And He will destroy on this mountain the surface of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations." (Isaiah 25:7)

PRAYER FOR THE ICEJ

7. For the lasting fruit of this year's Feast of Tabernacles. Let us join together giving thanks to the Lord for every life touched, every nation represented, and every heart strengthened during the ICEJ Feast of Tabernacles this year. Let us pray that the revelation, fellowship, and prophetic encouragement received in Jerusalem will continue to bear fruit in the lives of participants as they return home. *"You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain."* (John 15:16)

8. For the strengthening of relationships between the global and local Body of Christ. Please pray that the unity and fellowship experienced between Local believers in Israel and those from around the Nations during the Feast would continue to grow throughout the coming year. Let us ask the Lord to deepen relationships between local congregations, ministries, and the International Christian Embassy Jerusalem as we continue providing for this year's Feast and let us ask building His kingdom together. May the Body of Christ, both Jew and Gentile, walk together in humility, love, and spiritual maturity, demonstrating the unity Yeshua prayed for. *"endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."* (Ephesians 4:3)

9. For the ongoing provision and strengthening of the ICEJ ministry. We thank the Lord for His faithfulness in providing for this year's Feast, and let us ask Him to continue supplying every need (2 Corinthians 9:8) of the ICEJ. Pray for wisdom for the ICEJ leadership as they steward what God has entrusted to them, and let us pray for generous hearts from among believers worldwide. May the Lord provide for upcoming projects, outreach initiatives, and ministry opportunities, enabling the ICEJ to serve Israel and bless the nations with excellence and faithfulness. *"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work."*



Thank you for joining with us in prayer!



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