

# Israel Prayer Calendar February & March 2023

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*'And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'" (Luke 18:3-5).*

The introduction to this interesting parable from the Gospel of Luke is, 'Then Jesus told His disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.' I think that many of us have a particular prayer that we have been praying often but which has not been answered yet. This parable is a great encouragement for anyone who wrestles with unanswered prayers. It can also encourage us as we pray for Israel. We may hardly dare to hope that our prayers for peace for Israel or for the decline of antisemitism will become reality. Yet, the Bible calls us to continue in steadfast prayer.

*'I call on You, my God, for You will answer me; turn Your ear to me and hear my prayer' (Psalm 17:6).*

Shalom,  
The Prayer Team of Christians for Israel International

## February 2023

- Wed 1 Feb** In the beginning of February there will be several conferences in Rwanda and Kenya where the Biblical message about Israel will be proclaimed. Local leaders and Christians for Israel International are working together to organize these conferences. Rev. Cornelis Kant will be one of the speakers. Over 230 pastors are expected to attend. Pray that these conferences will be blessed and be a blessing.
- Thu 2 Feb** Give thanks that Israel has a new governing coalition. Pray that this government will put its trust in God and seek God's wisdom and leadership. Pray that the coalition will last longer than the previous coalition and that it will bring calm and stability to the country.
- Fri 3 Feb** Pray that the opposition will work constructively with the governing coalition and that they in turn will listen when to the opposition when it brings up relevant issues.
- Sat 4 Feb** Several Israeli's died in terrorist attacks this past fall. Pray for comfort for the families they left behind, especially for the young families where one of the parents was murdered.
- Sun 5 Feb** 'It is a land the LORD your God cares for; the eyes of the LORD your God are continually on it from the beginning of the year to its end' (Deuteronomy 11:12). Give thanks that the Lord's eyes continually rest on the land of Israel and that the Lord keeps watch over Israel.
- Mon 6 Feb** **Tu B'Shvat (New Year of the Trees).** On this day, in Israel there is a special focus on the environment and trees are planted in many places. Pray that Israel's forests will continue to grow and that the land will become more and more fertile.
- Tue 7 Feb** After a November terrorist attack in Judea and Samaria in which three Israeli's lost their lives, a number of Palestinians handed out candy to celebrate the attack and the 'struggle against oppression'. Pray that these Palestinians' eyes will be opened and that they will turn away from this blind hatred of Israel.

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<b>Wed 8 Feb</b>	Late last year, Israel discovered cholera in water in Galilee. The bacteria likely came into the country via Syria. Give thanks that Israel found out in time and pray that Israel's drinking water will remain pure.
<b>Thu 9 Feb</b>	Pray that the water level of the Sea of Galilee will stay high enough again this year. Pray for sufficient meltwater and rain to fill the lake. Give thanks that the water level has been unexpectedly high the past few years.
<b>Fri 10 Feb</b>	Like the rest of the world, Israel is experiencing high levels of inflation. As a result, more people are facing financial difficulties and more people are living in poverty. Pray for a blessing over the work of organizations like Hineni that distribute food parcels to the poorest in Israel. Pray for permanent solutions to the problem of poverty in Israel.
<b>Sat 11 Feb</b>	Pray for Holocaust survivors, both those who live in Israel and those who live elsewhere. Pray for the healing of traumas and God's comfort when they grieve family and friends who were murdered.
<b>Sun 12 Feb</b>	'The bows of the warriors are broken, but those who stumbled are armed with strength' (1 Samuel 2:4). In human terms, Israel is just a tiny country and Israel enemies are much more numerous, but from God's perspective that does not matter at all. Give thanks that God is Israel's protector, and pray that time after time He will continue to protect Israel from enemy attacks on any front.
<b>Mon 13 Feb</b>	Pray for protection for busses in Israel. Explosives are frequently placed in busses. Pray that they will be discovered in time or fail to detonate.
<b>Tue 14 Feb</b>	Pray for all those who are recovering from injuries caused by terrorist attacks. Also pray for healing from traumas caused by these attacks.
<b>Wed 15 Feb</b>	Terrorist attacks in Israel are often perpetrated by 'lone wolves'. These are terrorists who operate alone and are not affiliated with a terrorist organization. This makes it much more difficult for the secret services to track down these terrorists. Pray that despite the challenges these terrorists will be stopped in time.
<b>Thu 16 Feb</b>	At the moment, the Israeli army is facing a significant problem with the theft of weapons and ammunition from army bases. Pray that the army will take the right steps to prevent this. Also pray for protection for soldiers: they are the targets of many terrorist attacks.
<b>Fri 17 Feb</b>	Israel is conducting much research into medicines and other treatments against cancer. Pray for a blessing on this research and that it will be a blessing to the world.
<b>Sat 18 Feb</b>	The youth village 'Yemin Orde' is located in the north of Israel. Since 1953, it has been a safe home and a school for thousands of underprivileged youths where they receive help in finding a place in society. There are several youth villages like this in Israel. Pray for a blessing over these youth villages and that the young people will also learn to know the Lord or know Him better.
<b>Sun 19 Feb</b>	'In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven' (Matthew 5:16). Pray for the Jews in Israel who believe in Jesus as the Messiah. Pray that that they will be a blessing to the people around them in the places where God had set them, whether in offices, the army, the government, the classroom, or elsewhere.
<b>Mon 20 Feb</b>	Pray for peace in the city of Nablus, where there are frequent clashes between the Israeli army and Palestinian terrorists. Pray for the end of the unrest and violence.
<b>Tue 21 Feb</b>	Last year, there were almost 200 more firearm attacks on Israeli soldiers and citizens in Judea and Samaria than the year before. Pray for healing for survivors and comfort for those who have lost loved ones. Pray that the violence will stop.
<b>Wed 22 Feb</b>	The Israeli army recently made known that through raids and arrests, they were able to prevent some 500 terror attacks in Judea and Samaria. Give thanks that the army was able to prevent these attacks and pray that the army will also be able to prevent attacks in the future.
<b>Thu 23 Feb</b>	There are initiatives in Judea and Samaria where Jews and Arabs work at the same companies, giving an example of living peacefully together. Give thanks for initiatives like this. Pray for their protection as well; it can often be dangerous for Palestinians to participate in such initiatives.
<b>Fri 24 Feb</b>	Pray that the new terrorist organization in Judea and Samaria, Lion's Den, will be dismantled. Pray that the members of this terrorist group will change their ways. Pray for the miracle that they will come to faith in the God of Israel.
<b>Sat 25 Feb</b>	In Judea and Samaria, there are frequently Palestinians who burn large amounts of household garbage, try to contaminate the water and try to rob and destroy archeological sites. Pray that they will have a change of heart and that the destruction and pollution of the land will stop.

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- Sun 26 Feb** 'I will give one tribe to his sons so that David my servant may always have a lamp before me in Jerusalem, the city where I chose to put my Name' (1 Kings 11:36). At the moment, Jerusalem is still a city surrounded by conflict and controversy. Pray that the time will come quickly when Jerusalem will be known to the entire world as the city where God's name is established.
- Mon 27 Feb** Once again, a terrorist tunnel has been found underneath a United Nations school in Gaza. This shows again that Hamas uses people – and even children – as human shields. Pray for the population of Gaza who suffer under their own leaders. Pray for peace between Israel and the Palestinians.
- Tue 28 Feb** Iran is constantly engaged in smuggling weapons to Hezbollah in Syria and Lebanon to pose a threat to Israel. Pray that Israel's attempts to block these smuggling activities will be successful.

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- Wed 1 Mar** Pray for the residents of the southern towns of Israel close to the border with Gaza. These towns face the constant threat of rocket attacks from Gaza. Pray for protection from such attacks. Pray that things will remain calm on that front and that Gaza will not start any new war.
- Thu 2 Mar** Last year 74,000 Jews made Aliyah. This is a 200 percent increase compared to 2021. Give thanks for this.
- Fri 3 Mar** Iran is constantly engaged in smuggling weapons to Hezbollah in Syria and Lebanon to pose a threat to Israel. Pray that Israel's attempts to block these smuggling activities will be successful.
- Sat 4 Mar** Give thanks for the work of Christians for Israel in the Netherlands, where the organization was founded 43 years ago.
- Sun 5 Mar** 'This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: "When I bring them back from captivity, the people in the land of Judah and in its towns will once again use these words: 'The LORD bless you, you prosperous city, you sacred mountain'" (Jeremiah 31:23). Give thanks that He is bringing them back from captivity. Pray that more and more Jews will make aliyah.
- Mon 6 Mar** Ta'anit Esther (Esther's day of fasting). 'Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish' (Esther 4:16). Esther's words reflect great courage. Pray for courage like Esther's to stand for truth and to stand in the gap for the Jewish people and those who are oppressed in general.
- Tue 7 Mar** Purim (Feast of Lots). 'For the Jews it was a time of happiness and joy, gladness and honor' (Esther 8:16). Give thanks that God is a Savior. Pray that God will save Jews in our time too anytime evil plans are made against them.
- Wed 8 Mar** In the past year, several famous people in the United States unashamedly made antisemitic comments, among them the famous rapper Ye (Kanye West). Pray that antisemitism will never become normal and that these kinds of people will face consequences for these comments.
- Thu 9 Mar** During the football world championships in Qatar Israeli fans and journalists were beleaguered and taunted in countless ways. This shows again how much hatred there still is towards Israel in the Arab world, despite the Abraham Accords. Pray that this hatred will be broken.
- Fri 10 Mar** Antisemitism is increasing at universities around the world. Pray for protection for Jewish students, and a change in their opponents' way of thinking.
- Sat 11 Mar** At a conference in Germany last year, Mahmoud Abbas said that Israel has committed 50 holocausts against the Palestinian people. Abbas has retracted his words but it recently came out that Germany does not intend to do anything about the charges that have been brought against Abbas. Pray that the world, especially the European countries, will see what Abbas actually stands for and that he cannot be a partner for peace in the Middle East.
- Sun 12 Mar** 'So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal' (2 Corinthians 4:18). Pray that in regards to Israel we will focus on the promises in God's Word of His un-failing faithfulness to Israel instead of focusing on the idiosyncrasies of the moment as Israel makes some decisions we applaud and others we regret.
- Mon 13 Mar** So much of the reporting on Israel around the world is negative and one-sided that it is difficult for people to form a realistic view of the situation. Pray that people – especially Christians – will become motivated to find trustworthy news about Israel. Pray that they will be open to adjusting their perspective.

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<b>Tue 14 Mar</b>	At a Hanukah celebration late last year, American president Joe Biden promised to combat the growing antisemitism in the United States. Pray that these will not be empty promises. Pray that the combating antisemitism will also become or remain a priority in other countries.
<b>Wed 15 Mar</b>	Israel has asked to work together with the United States in the near future to enable defensive military action in Iran. Pray for good cooperation between the U.S. and Israel and pray that such military action will not be necessary.
<b>Thu 16 Mar</b>	It recently came to light that Hezbollah has been using people who were appointed as honorary consuls in various countries to smuggle weapons and funds. Give thanks that this has been discovered and pray that Hezbollah will not be able to smuggle weapons and money any more.
<b>Fri 17 Mar</b>	Last year the Quds Force, a kind of Iranian foreign secret service, made multiple attempts to attack Israelis outside of Israel. Just this past November an attack on a businessman was prevented in Georgia. Give thanks that the Quds Force has been unsuccessful in carrying out attacks so far. Pray that all of Quds Force's evil plans will come to light on time.
<b>Sat 18 Mar</b>	Once again Iran has increased its stores of enriched uranium. This brings Iran even closer to being able to make an atomic bomb. Pray that Iran will be stopped from enriching more uranium and that God will protect Israel from every danger from Iran.
<b>Sun 19 Mar</b>	'May all who hate Zion be turned back in shame' (Psalm 129:5). Pray that this verse will be fulfilled in all who hate Zion: Jerusalem, the city of the Jewish people and the city of God.
<b>Mon 20 Mar</b>	The Palestinian Authority is trying to sue Israel in the International Court of Justice in the Hague for crimes they claim the state [of Israel] has committed. Pray that the court will dismiss this case and not take it into consideration. Pray for Israel's protection in the legal arena.
<b>Tue 21 Mar</b>	Israel has undercover spies in countries and regions that are antagonistic towards Israel such as Iran and Gaza. Pray that these spies will not be discovered and that they will be able to pass much important information on to Israel.
<b>Wed 22 Mar</b>	Compared with the previous coalition, the current one is significantly more right-leaning. Some in the United States are critical of this, because they feel that it tends towards right-wing extremism. There are even politicians who are threatening to give Israel fewer weapons because of this. Pray that the United States will continue as a faithful ally to Israel.
<b>Thu 23 Mar</b>	The United Nations have accepted a resolution determining that there will be an annual commemoration of the Nakba, the 'expulsion' of Arabs from Israel. The Israeli representative correctly pointed out that this just fans the flames of the conflict and that no attention is given to Jews who were driven out of Arab countries. Pray that more countries will stand up to support Israel and vote resolutions like this down.
<b>Fri 24 Mar</b>	Pray that pastors, elders and preachers around the world will grow in their understanding of Israel and pass this on to their congregations in preaching and prayer.
<b>Sat 25 Mar</b>	'A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity' (Proverbs 17:17). Pray that Jews will be able to depend on Christians more and more as friends and as people who stand up for them when they are faced with antisemitism or hatred towards the state of Israel.
<b>Sun 26 Mar</b>	'Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other' (1 Thessalonians 4:9). Pray that the love between Jews and Christians will grow.
<b>Mon 27 Mar</b>	Give thanks that this year Israel has been a state for 75 years. Pray for protection for the Jewish people within and outside of Israel.
<b>Tue 28 Mar</b>	Pray for a blessing over young adults who are active in Isreality in several countries. Pray for inspiration and creativity for all involved, as it isn't always easy to reach out to young people sharing the message about God's love and plan for Israel.
<b>Wed 29 Mar</b>	Give thanks for all of the activities that are being organized by Christians for Israel in many different countries. Also pray that many people who have not heard the message of God's faithfulness to Israel yet will come and that what they hear will be thought provoking.
<b>Thu 30 Mar</b>	Several Christians for Israel conferences recently took place in India. Six hundred pastors heard the message of God's love for Israel and His plan for Israel and this world, many of them for the first time. Pray that this message will take root in the hearts of these pastors and bear fruit in the churches in India.
<b>Fri 31 Mar</b>	Pray for a blessing over the work of Koen Carlier and his team in Ukraine. Pray that they will be able to distribute many food parcels. Give thanks that they have been able to help many Jews this winter. Pray that Jews who want to emigrate from Ukraine to Israel will have the opportunity to do so.