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Sharing the Garment: Generations
Warring Together at Purim!
Special Purim Update from Israel!
Special Purim Sunday at Glory!



Thursday, March 17, 2011

Dear Overcoming Saints:

When Rebekah walked in to work on the Purim play for this weekend, I did a double-take. She had on an overblouse that her mother (Pam) had worn when I met her forty years ago! This particular garment is very unusual. Pam's mother, Betty, sheered their sheep in New Hampshire for the wool. She then spun and dyed the thread, made the material on a loom, and finally prepared the garment. I believe this is the only garment her mother ever made from start to finish. Rebekah now wears that garment ... three generations working together to share the garment for this season! If we will enter in to this, we will overthrow our enemy for the future. This is how God works (Isaiah 59:21).



Special Purim this Sunday at Glory of Zion! Rebekah Pierce, Children, Robert Heidler and Barbara Wentroble!

This will be a special weekend at Glory of Zion. The Feast, by Rebekah Faubion, with Dana Davies & Tracey Liggett, is a film that was shot using the talents of the Glory of Zion children's

department. This film portrays the climax portion of the Purim story and is done in the style of Old Hollywood Silent Films. Don't miss a minute! Actually, this is just one act in our children's Purim Production. They will also be presenting the "Identity Dance" (when Esther is chosen), the "Miss Lindy Show" (a video where Haman gets his revenge), "Warrior Practice" (when Esther prepares to approach the King), and the "Waging War Dance" (when the Jews are saved). Robert Heidler will conclude our first service by providing a short presentation on Purim. Barbara Wentroble will minister in the second service and loose the "Esther Anointing" to overcome our Hamans!

SPECIAL PRAYER UPDATE FROM ISRAEL: PURIM

Submitted by Martin and Norma Sarvis

This coming Sunday (beginning sundown Saturday evening) is *Purim*-the day Jews celebrate their remarkable deliverance in 483 B.C. Persia (present day Iran) from a plot to exterminate them. The *Scroll (book) of Esther* will be read-there are Purim plays and costumes, and special pastries and desserts and wine. For most of the world, Purim is celebrated on the 14th of Adar (Sunday, Mar 20th this year)-but in Jerusalem, Jaffa and other 'walled cities' (like ancient *Shushan*-Susa; see Esther 9:18-19), it will be celebrated the following day.

I. ESTHER FAST

Although these are days for rejoicing and feasting (Esther 9:18-19) they are preceded by days of soberness of spirit and fasting. Esther 9:31 refers to Mordechai and Queen Esther prescribing times for fasting and lamenting. These recall the time of fasting which Esther called for all her Jewish subjects before when their entire race was in danger of annihilation and she must go in to seek the favor of the King.

Anti-Semitism, as we wrote in the last update, is rising quickly under a new disguise of being Anti-Israel or Anti-Zionist. We wrote of the horrific attack on the Fogel family in Samaria this past weekend. Yesterday Israel seized a ship making its way from Syria via Turkey to Egypt. On board were discovered some 50 tons of weapons from Iran, destined to be unloaded and taken overland into Gaza to be used against Israel. It included six C-704 anti-ship missiles, two rocket launchers, 230 mortar rockets with a range of ten kilometers, 2,260 smaller mortar rockets and tens of thousands of rifle bullets. As Prime Minister Netanyahu declared, "All those who question why Israel must stop and inspect ships en route to Gaza can find the answer right here. They were en route to terror organizations in Gaza but their ultimate target was the Israeli civilian population." This from Iran (Persia) in which another "Haman" has arisen calling anew for the annihilation of the "Zionist entity."

Yesterday evening (Wednesday March 16th at sundown) observant Jews began a one-day fast. Some Messianic Jews will be extending it the entire three days before Purim begins Saturday evening. We would encourage you to take this season seriously. Read through the Book of Esther; perhaps the Lord may lead you to join with us in a fast during this season. Please pray for the Lord to raise up Mordechais and Esthers whom he has saved "for such a time as this."

II. DEUTERONOMY 25:17-19

As we mentioned in the [Update](#) earlier in the week, because this Sabbath connects with the

beginning of Purim, along with the regular reading from the Torah (Leviticus 6:8-8:36) the regular Haftarah (closing reading from the Prophets) will be replaced by a special one related to Samuel and Saul, the Amalekites and Agag their king (I Samuel 15:2-34). **Additionally, three other verses (quoted below), also related to the Amalekites will be read from the Torah: Deuteronomy 25:17-19. The readings this weekend are entitled *Shabbat Zachor*- "Sabbath Remembering"-because of the closing words of this last-"*You shall not forget.*"**

"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. Therefore it shall be, when the LORD your God has given you rest from your enemies all around, in the land which the LORD your God is giving you to possess as an inheritance, that you will blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. You shall not forget."

We would especially call your attention to the words, "*he met you on the way and attacked your rear ranks, all the stragglers at your rear, when you were tired and weary*" In describing the armies of Israel, Numbers 10:25, Joshua 6:9 and other passages speak of a special "*Rear Guard*". The Hebrew for this word is interesting, because it shares the same root as that meaning "to gather". So although the guard would indeed be looking out for attacks from the rear, it was also responsible for "gathering" the troops in the rear, bringing in stragglers, keeping them moving forward. **We would ask in your intercession for Israel that you pray for God to "gather" His people to Himself...that angels be released to minister to those who will inherit salvation, protecting them from being 'picked off' by the enemy. Pray that Messianic (i.e. Jewish) believers will in unity, and not straggle behind what the Spirit is doing. Pray for a Rear Guard of Intercession over the Body of Messiah in Israel.**

PLEASE PRAY:

* Protection over Israel during this Purim season (March 17-21). It is a season when children are especially visible and vulnerable. Please plead the Blood of Messiah over their lives-and stand against "the Adversary of all the Jews" in the Name of Yeshua.

*For the raising up of Mordecais in this day who will have move in authority, integrity, courage and decisiveness.

*For women of Israel who will, like Esther, have courage and humility to move in righteous counsel into what and who they are called to be on behalf of their people- "for such a time as this."

*For the Gospel to be accelerated among Muslim peoples, that they would be freed from the covenant-hating spirits which put them at enmity with Israel and therefore at enmity with the God of all humankind. Pray for growing love and cooperation between Hebrew and Arab, Iranian, Turkish and other Middle Eastern Believers through the revelation, love and power of the Holy Spirit of Yeshua (Jesus).



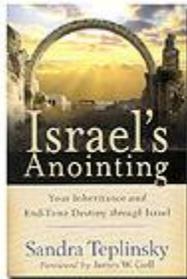
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Blessings,
Chuck D. Pierce

Key Resources to Help you Stand in the Gap and Pray in a New Way!

[Israel's Anointing](#) by *Sandra Teplinsky*



As both Gentile and Jewish believers in Jesus prepare for His return, global revival and warfare will increase. Sandra Teplinsky, a Messianic Jewish believer, mines Israel's ancient spiritual heritage to share critical truths needed at this hour. Unveiling revelation about the Kingdom of heaven transitioning to earth, this book will draw you deep into the heart of God – prophetically, practically and passionately – and empower you to fulfill your destiny in the days ahead.

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[The Messianic Church Arising](#) by *Robert Heidler*

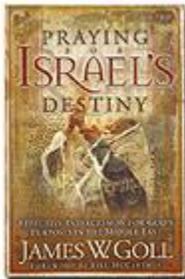
Also available in [Portuguese](#) (\$12) and [French](#) (\$12)



This book will help you experience the fullness of Christianity and to know Christianity as God intended it. Robert Heidler purposes to assist any Christian in regaining the blessings of our lost inheritance! Once you see the root you are grafted into, the power of the Life of the root springs forth in you, and you will bear fruit! Don't miss the chapter on the Cycles of God which will help you understand how the Feasts allow us to see our path to future promise.

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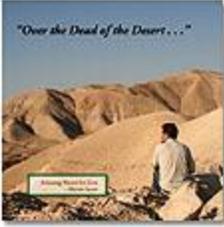
[Praying For Israel's Destiny](#) by James W. Goll



No intercessor can miss the importance of prayer for Israel. Do you wish to see with God's vision? Then pray for the apple of His eye. Do you long for peace on the earth? Then pray for the city of peace. Do you wish to be blessed? Then learn the models of prayer for the nation through which He blesses all peoples. Now is the time to help fulfill God's prophetic appointments for all three of Abraham's national offspring encompassing the entire Middle East. Join with intercessors worldwide to pray for Israel – and watch as God fulfills the amazing promises of His word.

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[Over the Dead of the Desert: Releasing Waters for Zion](#) by Martin Sarvis



Hear the sound of Israel! Martin and Norma Sarvis work with Succat Hallel and lead worship in Israel. They are also hosting us this week in Israel. Martin has a CD produced by John G. Elliott that is just wonderful. Titles include: *Fertile Ground, There Will Never Be, Lament in D Minor, Rachamin Avakesh* (I Will Ask for Mercy), *Holy is He, La'Menatze'ach* (To the Chief Musician), *For Jerusalem: The Lord Himself will be a Wall of Fire Around Jerusalem; May there be Peace within Your Walls; the LORD Himself, Ekhra Berech* (I Bow my Knee), *Shir Ahava* (Love Song), *Run to You*, and *Hodu La'Adonai Kiru BiShmo* (O Give Thanks to the Lord).

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[Positioned for Victory! The Presence War: The Tribes and the Ark](#)

The Lord's presence permeated this entire Judah School Weekend. He released revelation to equip us to enter into his timing and to overcome all that would stand against us. Chuck Pierce and Robert Heidler were joined by Robert Stearns. This is a time to get positioned to overcome the enemy! The sessions covered:

- Now is the Time to Sing
- Prophetic Worship The King is in the Field
- The Tabernacle of David: The Battlefield for God's Presence
- Be Positioned to Secure Your Inheritance

This set also includes Eitan Shishkoff's message on the Tabernacle and bringing God's glory back to Israel from our Firstfruits Gathering as well as both messages from Sunday morning. During the Power of Lift Service Chuck spoke on "The Importance of Being Connected and the Blessing of Elul." Then, during the Power of Use service Robert shared on "Rising above the Perfect Storm That Could Take You Out!"

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