



Shalom,

Every week a portion of the Torah is read in the synagogue. This portion is called parasha. This way, the entire Torah is read in one year. Every Saturday/Sabbath in this prayer calendar includes a part of the parasha that is read in synagogue on that Sabbath. This is a way for us as Christians to experience our solidarity with the Jewish people. It is also a prayer point in this calendar; that we as Jews and Christians may worship God in solidarity.

Another important area for prayer is Israel's safety. In recent weeks, violence has escalated in Israel. What began with riots on the Temple Mount has, in a matter of days, degenerated into a violent conflict, with over 4,000 rockets fired from Gaza at civilian targets in Israel for over twelve days. Also from Lebanon (Hezbollah) rockets were fired. The situation forced entire cities into bomb shelters. Even after the announced ceasefire, Israel remains under pressure, and the people are on high alert. The violence is not over. Two people were stabbed to death during the Pentecost weekend in Jerusalem. Prayer for Israel is still as important as ever. How wonderful that we can pray for Israel together through this prayer calendar!

Many blessings,

*Christians for Israel Prayer Team*

## June 2021

<b>Tue 1 June</b>	Pray for the reduction and easing of the unrest in Israel and Jewish-Arab tensions and violence. Pray for the people of Gaza, that they'll be freed from the terror regime of Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ), that they will be spared unnecessary harm.
<b>Wed 2 June</b>	Pray for Israel's protection against rocket attacks from Gaza and the north. The rockets are not only targeting southern and northern Israel, but can even reach Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. Pray that these rockets do not hit their targets. Pray especially for Holocaust survivors and small children, for whom it is a traumatic experience to have to flee to shelters again and again.
<b>Thu 3 June</b>	Pray for all those who lost loved ones on Friday April 30 <sup>th</sup> , during Lag Ba'Omer, in the terrible stampede that occurred at Mount Meron. The suffering is immense. Pray for the recovery of the wounded and for healing for all those who witnessed the stampede.
<b>Fri 4 June</b>	Israel is facing cyber-attacks with increasing frequency. Thankfully Israel is well prepared with its Unit 8200. This unit specializes in Israel's defense in the digital arena. Pray for a blessing over this unit's work and protection from cyber-attacks.
<b>Sat 5 June Sabbath</b>	"They gave Moses this account: "We went into the land to which you sent us, and it does flow with milk and honey! Here is its fruit." Numbers 13:27. God gave a beautiful country, the land of Israel,

	to His people. The land was abundantly fruitful in the time of Moses and after centuries of decline it is again now. Give thanks for this evidence of God's faithfulness.
Sun 6 June	A nasal spray has been developed in Israel that kills all inhaled viruses. This makes the nasal spray a promising weapon against the coronavirus. Pray that this spray will contribute to the fight against corona inside and outside of Israel.
Mon 7 June	Pray for the innocent men, women and children in Gaza who are being used as human shields by the terrorist organization Hamas. Rockets are fired from flats, hospitals and schools. When Israel defuses these rocket installations, there are unintended civilian casualties. Pray that this escalation of violence will stop.
Tue 8 June	A map of corona testing locations in Israel was recently placed online. Unfortunately secret Israeli army bases were also included on the map. Naturally the map was quickly taken offline, but there is a chance that hostile entities had the opportunity to copy the information. Pray for Israel's protection in this situation. Pray that hostile entities will not be able to do anything with the information.
Wed 9 June	Like last summer, far fewer tourists are expected in Israel this summer than usual. This means that things are becoming even more difficult for people who make a living in tourism. Pray that help will be available to these people and they can continue to provide for their basic needs.
Thu 10 June	Pray for those in Israel who are living in poverty, whether they are children, adults or Holocaust survivors, there are many heartbreaking situations. Give thanks for all the organizations that help these people and pray that they will have the means to help more and more people.
Fri 11 June	Pray for honest reporting on Israel. No country in the world would accept rockets being fired at civilians. Pray that the media will see this and report on it fairly.
Sat 12 June Sabbath	"The next day Moses entered the tent and saw that Aaron's staff, which represented the tribe of Levi, had not only sprouted but had budded, blossomed and produced almonds." Numbers 17:8. God Himself showed the people of Israel who He had appointed as leader. Pray that God will do the same in this time and show the Jewish people, religious or non-religious, who their spiritual leaders are and who they should follow.
Sun 13 June	The Israeli organization Save a Child's Heart treats children with heart diseases from all over the world. What is so interesting is that 50% of these children are from Gaza, Iraq or Morocco. Where a child comes from does not matter to the organization, but what a child needs. The organization hopes that this approach will lead to more peace. Pray for a blessing over this work.
Mon 14 June	Continue to pray for Israel's protection in the legal arena. The investigation against Israel by the International Justice Court, though contested by several countries, is still in progress. Israelis could be charged for actions during the war with Gaza in 2014.
Tue 15 June	Research shows that Israel is insufficiently protected from enemy drones. The origins of many of the drones that fly above Israel are unclear, which means that some of them may be hostile. Pray that Israel will develop strategies to combat this danger.
Wed 16 June	Israel is allowing tourists to enter again – if they are vaccinated and in limited numbers. Give thanks that tourists can come to Israel again. Also pray that the number of visitors will soon increase, so that more people can become acquainted with the land of God and for the good of the Israeli economy.
Thu 17 June	Pray that the Israeli government will make the right decisions regarding economic recovery after the corona crisis. Pray that the funds that are available will go to the populations that have the greatest need.
Fri 18 June	The water level of the Sea of Galilee is very high at the moment, partly due to the large amount of rainfall this spring. Give thanks for the high levels in this body of water where the levels are often low.
Sat 19 June Sabbath	"The LORD said to Moses, 'Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live.'" Numbers 21:8. God remains faithful to His people, even when it is unfaithful to Him. God's faithfulness is shown here in the copper snake and later in the greatest gift ever given: His only begotten Son who He gave for the salvation of His people and the world. Give thanks for God's salvation.

<b>Sun 20 June</b>	“‘The days are coming,’ declares the Sovereign LORD, ‘when I will send a famine through the land—not a famine of food or a thirst for water, but a famine of hearing the words of the LORD.’” Amos 8:11. Pray for hunger and thirst in Israel and in our own lives. Pray that we will be satisfied with spiritual food.
<b>Mon 21 June</b>	The Israel of today is built on the prayers of yesterday! Prayer for Israel is extremely important. There is a battle over Israel being fought in the heavenly places as well as here on earth. Pray for protection for Israel from Satan’s attacks.
<b>Tue 22 June</b>	The Palestinian Media Watch (an organization that monitors the Palestinian media) continues to detect many antisemitic messages in the media that are directed towards children. Violence against Israeli Jews is frequently glorified and the message is spread that Israel should be eradicated. Pray that this indoctrination of children will end.
<b>Wed 23 June</b>	There have been many violent demonstrations recently where Israeli Jews and Israeli Arabs and Palestinians came to blows. Pray for wisdom for the security forces to deal with such demonstrations.
<b>Thu 24 June</b>	Pray that the funds Iran is allocating to terrorist activities in Israel will dry up.
<b>Fri 25 June</b>	Israel, Cyprus and Greece have agreed to connect their power grids. This is a step towards sustainability and a way to have access to more electricity. Pray for good cooperation between these nations.
<b>Sat 26 June Sabbath</b>	“Then Balak’s anger burned against Balaam. He struck his hands together and said to him, “I summoned you to curse my enemies, but you have blessed them these three times.” Numbers 24:10. When God wants His people to be blessed, no one can go against Him. Pray that God continues to call new people or nations to bless Israel.
<b>Sun 27 June</b>	“Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.” Ephesians 6:13. Pray for Christians in Gaza. Pray for their protection in the Islamic setting where they live.
<b>Mon 28 June</b>	It seems that the Biden administration plans to deal with the Middle East the same way that Obama did. This leads to concern in Israel over the dependability of their ally. Pray that America will always have Israel’s safety at heart.
<b>Tue 29 June</b>	Pray that more and more countries will see the BDS movement, which calls for a boycott of Israel, for what it is - an antisemitic threat.
<b>Wed 30 June</b>	Iran and China have made a deal for more strategic cooperation in the coming 15 years. There is concern in Israel over this deal. It could lead to more power and access to better weapons for Iran. Pray that this deal will not cause Israel any harm.

## July 2021

<b>Thu 1 July</b>	A number of Jews were driven out of Yemen by Iranian supported Houthi rebels. At the time only a few dozen Jews lived in Yemen, but according to a report only four Jews are left now. Pray that the Jews who were driven out will reach Israel safely and pray for the protection of the remaining Jews.
<b>Fri 2 July</b>	For a while relations between Israel and Saudi Arabia seemed to be warming somewhat but now Saudi Arabia appears more reserved again. The kingdom only wants to normalize [relations] if there is an independent Palestinian state. As Christians we do not know what the big picture is and what the right path is for Israel in this matter. Pray that will make good decisions and that if it is God’s will Saudi Arabia will normalize its relations with Israel.
<b>Sat 3 July Sabbath</b>	“So the LORD said to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him.” Numbers 27:18 God promises that the Spirit will be poured out on all “flesh”; a promise that He keeps in every period of human history. Pray that Jews and Christians will be filled with the Spirit and will worship God in unity.
<b>Sun 4 July</b>	Recent explosions in Iranian nuclear enrichment facilities have caused considerable damage. Give thanks that Iran’s sinister work is being hindered in this way and pray that Iran will not be able to make nuclear weapons.

<b>Mon 5 July</b>	Pray for continued progress in the peace process with Arab nations that are seeking a closer relationship with Israel. Pray that more nations will follow.
<b>Tue 6 July</b>	The country of Bhutan undertook diplomatic ties with Israel at the end of 2020. This is unique because the country has hardly any diplomatic ties with other countries. Pray that the two nations will be a blessing to each other.
<b>Wed 7 July</b>	In England a group of ex members of the Labour Party has made a list of Jewish Labour activists for some negative purpose (it is unclear exactly what they had planned). Thankfully the situation is being taken extremely seriously and the police have opened an investigation. Pray for protection for Jews in England and that the people who are behind this list will be punished.
<b>Thu 8 July</b>	The rise of anti-Semitism is clear and happens (also) at high levels, for example at the World Council of Churches and the United Nations. As Christians, we need to stand in the gap for the Jewish People through prayer and not be afraid to raise our voice. Pray that the opposition to anti-Semitism will be clear and will make a difference.
<b>Fri 9 July</b>	Research shows that although the lockdowns have led to reduced numbers of physical attacks on Jews, conspiracy theories in which Jews are blamed for the coronavirus have increased significantly. This raises the concern that as corona restrictions are lifted, the number of physical attacks on Jews will see a sharp increase. Pray for protection for Jews from such attacks.
<b>Sat 10 July Sabbath</b>	"Select some towns to be your cities of refuge, to which a person who has killed someone accidentally may flee." Numbers 35:11 God is a God of justice. He wanted and still wants justice to prevail and that no one is punished unjustly. Give thanks that we have a just God and give thanks that He gave His Son as a ransom for us sinful people.
<b>Sun 11 July</b>	A Jewish cemetery in Denmark was recently defaced with anti-Jewish slogans. Red-colored dolls and antisemitic pamphlets littered the ground. Such forms of antisemitism are extremely painful to the Jewish community. Pray for comfort and God's protection for the Jewish community.
<b>Mon 12 July</b>	A number of European countries are considering limiting circumcision for Jewish and Islamic boys for anything other than health reasons, or even banning circumcision altogether. It is seen as a violation of bodily autonomy. Pray that this will not happen and that Jews will be able to maintain this form of religious freedom.
<b>Tue 13 July</b>	The man who threw Jewish woman Sarah Halimi out of her window in 2017, resulting in her death, will not be prosecuted for the deed. Because he was so deeply under the influence of weed at the time of the deed, it has been decided that he cannot be held accountable. Jewish agencies in France see this as a slap in the face and a threat to the safety of the Jewish community. Pray for protection for Jews in France and pray that justice will prevail.
<b>Wed 14 July</b>	Pray for a blessing over organizations that help Jews return to Israel. Pray for sufficient funds to help all the people who want to leave for Israel.
<b>Thu 15 July</b>	Argentina has the largest Jewish population of Latin America. However, more and more Jews are deciding to move to Israel. Give thanks for all these Jews who are deciding to go to the Promised Land and pray that they will soon find their feet in Israel.
<b>Fri 16 July</b>	Of the 2000 Ethiopian immigrants who had been allowed entry into Israel, the last 300 immigrants arrived in Israel in March. Give thanks that all 2000 immigrants are now in Israel. There are still more Ethiopian Jews waiting to come to Israel however. Pray that they will soon be granted entry as well.
<b>Sat 17 July Sabbath</b>	"At that time I commanded Joshua: 'You have seen with your own eyes all that the LORD your God has done to these two kings. The LORD will do the same to all the kingdoms over there where you are going. Do not be afraid of them; the LORD your God himself will fight for you.'" Deuteronomy 3:21-22 God also fights for Israel today. Give thanks for this and pray for Israel's protection from its enemies.
<b>Sun 18 July Tisha B'Av (Day of Mourning)</b>	On Tisha B'Av the Jewish people remember the destruction of the First and Second Temple. It is a day of mourning and fasting. Pray for comfort for the Jewish people on this day and that the hope of the Messiah's coming will give them strength.
<b>Mon 19 July</b>	"For the LORD has chosen Zion, He has desired it for his dwelling, saying, 'This is my resting place for ever and ever; here I will sit enthroned, for I have desired it.'" Psalm 132:13-14 Pray that Jesus will quickly return to the earth to live in the middle of His people and to reign from Jerusalem.

<b>Tue 20 July</b>	Pray that churches, preachers, Bible studies, youth groups and will have open eyes and hearts to see God's unending faithfulness to Israel and to recognize the promises being fulfilled in our time as God brings His people home and the land of Israel flourishes.
<b>Wed 21 July</b>	Pray for a blessing over the work of preachers, pastors and elders who preach Gods eternal love for Israel in their congregations and pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Pray that their congregations will be open to this message and that their love for the people of Israel will grow.
<b>Thu 22 July</b>	"I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd." John 10:16. Pray for more unity between Jews and Christians. Pray that they will learn from each other and that friendships will grow between them.
<b>Fri 23 July</b>	Christians for Israel publishes the theological periodical Israel and the Church. This is a periodical for theologians and pastors. Pray for inspiration for the editors of this publication and that it will be read by many pastors and theologians.
<b>Sat 24 July Sabbath</b>	These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." Deuteronomy 6:6-7. Pray that from a young age, Israeli children will learn about God and may know that He is their loving Father.
<b>Sun 25 July</b>	"You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come." Matthew 24:6. The state of Israel has already gone through many different wars. Pray for protection for Israel in all the danger that comes at them and pray that they will know that one day the Messiah will come to bring lasting peace.
<b>Mon 26 July</b>	Pray for Christians for Israel's board of directors. Pray that they will make good decisions and that they will take Christians for Israel in the right direction.
<b>Tue 27 July</b>	The Israel Products Center (IPC) in the Netherlands has come under fire from the Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority (NVWA) for incorrect labeling of products from Judea and Samaria. Pray for protection for IPC from these attacks through the legal system
<b>Wed 28 July</b>	Pray for creativity for the C4I (Christians for Israel International) teams as they work to spread the message about Israel around the world digitally.
<b>Thu 29 July</b>	Pray specifically for the C4I teams on the islands of Oceania to find alternative ways of distributing the Israel newspaper now transport costs have risen significantly. Also pray for Christians in Pakistan, who need to be very cautious talking about Israel. Thankfully C4I does has the opportunity to do online Bible studies in Pakistan.
<b>Fri 30 July</b>	Pray for the C4I team in Ukraine as tensions rise in the eastern part of the country. The Jewish communities that Christians for Israel helps are located in the same region. Also pray for the representative of C4I in Myanmar in light of the uncertainty caused by the coup.
<b>Sat 31 July Sabbath</b>	"Your clothes did not wear out and your feet did not swell during these forty years." Deuteronomy 8:4. God cared for His people Israel in the wilderness in a very special way. Pray that God will provide all of His people's needs again today.