



The Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem

The First Sunday of Every October

Important Facts About The Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem

WHAT IS IT?

The International Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem, instituted with the endorsement of OVER 1200 Christian leaders from all different denominations and cultures of the world, will be held annually on the first Sunday of every October.

Our call is for sustained, fervent, informed global intercession for the plans and purposes of God for Jerusalem and all her people. This global grassroots prayer initiative coincides with the season of Yom Kippur, and for the first time in Church history, makes an effort at linking the Christian liturgical calendar with the Biblical, Jewish calendar.

This Global Prayer Initiative is Co-Chaired by Dr. Jack Hayford (President of The Foursquare Church and Chancellor of The King's College & Seminary) **and Rev. Robert Stearns** (Founder and Director of Eagles' Wings Ministries.)

WHEN IS IT?

The Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem is observed the first Sunday of every October, near the season of Yom Kippur. ***This year – 2009 – it falls on October 4th.***

WHO IS PARTICIPATING IN THIS?

- Tens of millions of Christians, from all different cultures, denominations and generations, from cathedrals in cosmopolitan cities to tribal grass hut churches in Africa and even underground churches in Muslim nations.
- In 2008 we had almost 175 nations participate - **which included underground churches in 7 Muslim nations** - and this year in 2009, by God's grace we are trusting for even more nations to take part in praying for the peace of Jerusalem.

HOW IS THIS SPECIAL DAY OBSERVED?

- *Primarily, praying for the peace of Jerusalem should take place in the local church fellowship as part of their worship service on Oct. 4th. Participation in the DPPJ for a local fellowship can be as simple as including the DPPJ Church Bulletin Insert in their program, and incorporating a sermon & some prayer devoted to this issue on October 4th, or, as involved and time consuming as an individual church desires it to be. The important point is that we want all kinds of churches, from all different worship services, from all over the USA, joining with Christians worldwide to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, at whatever level of understanding they have about this strategic need.*
- *Some cities, states or nations also have regional gatherings - in addition to the local church worship service – to express their unity in prayer for the peace of Jerusalem and her people.*
- *There is a special Day of Prayer gathering on October 4th in Jerusalem with worldwide Church Leaders and Israeli dignitaries that will be broadcast live on God TV to over 200 nations that day.*
- *There is also a 24 hour Prayer Conference Call, hosted by Greater Calling (www.greatercalling.org) where people from all over the world, in every time zone, can call into a “virtual prayer room” via their phones and pray together for the many needs of this strategic region and its people groups.*

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

Please log onto www.daytopray.com for the following:

- Translations of the Day of Prayer materials, Fliers, Sermons, etc. in many different languages, which can be downloaded &/or printed out on your computer. We have material translated into 19 different languages from last year on our website and we will be updating and increasing translation in 2009.
- We have available for download a Children’s DPPJ Program for ages 3 – 6, and for ages 4 – 10. These will include lessons, craft activities, coloring pages, and prayer cards. By May 15, 2009, we will have additional children’s DPPJ resources available as well.
- By May 15, 2009 – we also plan to have a DPPJ Youth Program for Teens available for download with a schedule for the service, a skit, message, video, and music.
- PSAs (Public Service Announcements) in Audio and Video Format
- Press Releases
- List of world-wide Leaders endorsing the Call to Pray
- List of State, National, and International Coordinators mobilizing for this prayer movement plus the link to contact them with questions.
- Resources that can be ordered to equip your church or Bible Study group for training or to enhance your Oct. 4th observance
- Photos and descriptions of previous years observances
- History of Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem

You can also call the Eagles’ Wings office at 716-759- 1058 or 1-800-51 WINGS

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

You can contact your regional, state, or country coordinator through our DPPJ Coordinator webpage where you can Email them directly through the link by their name.

If your nation, region, or state does not have a DPPJ Coordinator, you can contact us through the website www.daytopray.com or by calling our office at 1-800-51 WINGS.

DOES PRAYING FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM MEAN I AM AGAINST THE ARABS AND PALESTINIANS?

God is not a respecter of persons; He loves everyone the same. He has a redemptive plan for the descendants of Isaac and the descendants of Ishmael. When we pray for the peace of Jerusalem, we pray for ALL of the people who dwell there. Our heart is to see God's word fulfilled. We want to see the wall of separation between Jew and Arab broken (Eph 2:14), to see unity, love and appreciation for one another restored, and for God's full Shalom and blessing to rest upon the land and its people.

WHY SHOULD I PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM?

- **Genesis 12:3** – *The Lord says in the covenant He makes with Abraham: “I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” History clearly reveals that those nations and leaders who blessed Israel and the Jewish people were blessed in return by God, and those who cursed the Jewish people and His Holy Land, were themselves the object of God's wrath.*
- **God inspired the writers of Scripture to make a timeless charge to all who follow Him to “Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: may they prosper who love you.” (Psalm 122:6).**
- **Jerusalem – and the nation of Israel – is the only democracy (with freedom of religion and rights for all people and genders) in a sea of 22 Arab non-democratic nations.** Israel and America are defending the same values and freedoms against the same common enemy...radical Islam.
- **We owe the Jewish People an enormous debt of gratitude for their foundation of our Christian faith and their enormous contributions to the advancement of society through medical, agricultural and technological advancements.**
- **It is the Churches Responsibility to Stand with all people of the covenant for the restoration of Israel and God's Purposes in that land. It is the Christian's Responsibility to Fulfill God's Prophetic Words to the Jews, in their generation.**
- **The history of the Church reveals much persecution against the Jewish people – things done in the name of Christ but not the character of Christ. We have the responsibility in our day to make right what our Christian ancestors did wrong, by actively praying for God's blessing upon this land and her people.**