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WHERE IS THE PRINCE OF PEACE?

BY HEART STAFF

n the season of goodwill, the headlines are dominated by war.

With conflict now raging in the Middle East as well as in Ukraine, the land where Jesus was born is sending its young men into battle to root out the terrorism on its borders.

Even experienced journalists struggled, when faced with evidence, to take in the enormity of the most brutal and barbaric attack on Israel and the Jewish people since the Holocaust. The 1,200 death toll in Israel's small population equates to 10,000 UK or 60,000 US citizens killed in 24 hours.

Three-year-old Aviv was kidnapped with her mother and sister, aged 5, after seeing their grandmother murdered. As we go to press, her safety and whereabouts are unknown

Thus 50 years since the unexpected victory in 1973's Yom Kippur War, God's 'chosen' people are engulfed in an "abyss of pain and suffering which seemed to have no end", according to the Evangelical Sisters of Mary, an order of nuns founded in Germany after World War 2. Their founder, Mother Basilea Schlink, initiated repentance for the Holocaust among her defeated fellow German citizens.

The tragedy of the Palestinian people also seems unending. With Gaza's governing terror group Hamas waging war from its positions under hospitals, mosques and private homes, civilians are mercilessly used as human shields. Hamas' leaders live in luxury abroad while, on the ground in Gaza, its foot soldiers have been preventing citizens from evacuating (even shooting some) until the IDF (Israel Defence Force) gave them safe passage.

Despite the IDF's targeted bombing before its ground offensive, civilians have died, although Hamas' Ministry of Health figures are disputed.

Meanwhile a new wave of antisemitism has been unleashed across the world, not least through what is seen as largely biased reporting by the mainstream media. Since 7 October there has been a 510 per cent increase in antisemitic incidents in the UK, according to the Community Security Trust which monitors the safety of the UK's Jewish communities.

It has also been reported that extremist imams are using their pulpits to openly attack Jews and lead prayer for a Hamas victory; the Chief Rabbi has said that this has caused British Jews "very deep pain and made them more fearful than at any time since 1945".

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"NEVER AGAIN"

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"WORSE THAN THE NAZIS"

A Holocaust survivor remembers p15

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WHERE IS THE PRINCE OF



Young IDF soldiers sing a chapter of the psalms as a prayer for the missing hostages

n Israel itself, more than a quarter of a million Israelis are homeless because of the war; Mike Evans of the Jerusalem Prayer Team reports that there are now thousands of widows and orphans after the 7 October massacres: They are under a lot of pressure and have nothing, no husband, no home, no clothes, absolutely nothing except bills and babies."

The Prince of Peace

'The Prince of Peace' is one of the Old Testament terms for the Messiah (Isaiah 9:6), along with 'Mighty God' and 'Everlasting Father'. It is easy to wonder if he is still in control, but there is evidence of fresh spiritual hunger and stories of heroism and self-sacrifice have emerged across nationalities.

A Bedouin soldier was hugged and applauded by Jewish Israelis for battling the Hamas terrorists. An Israeli Arab rescued two little girls when the terrorists attacked and took them to safety after their father was killed.

Angelic protection

Meanwhile incidents of miraculous protection have been reported by Israeli soldiers, with a rabbi suddenly appearing in Gaza and an old woman in Lebanon, warning them in each case to flee before a bomb went off.

A nation unified

The horrors of 7 October have also brought the nation of Israel together. As reported by Robin Benson in this paper, Israel's enemies were rejoicing over the secular/religious schism in Israeli society due to PM Netanyahu's proposed judicial reforms. Now tragedy has united the secular and religious citizens in a war effort.

Zaka, composed of Orthodox Jewish voluntéers, has won great respect for its painstaking work sifting through remains of the murdered to provide a dignified burial. When they feel overwhelmed, they take solace in prayer and song.

Renewed prayer

Further evidence that God is at work is seen in the renewed prayer around the world from Christians and in Israel itself. Each generation of Israelis hopes that their children will not have to go to war, but a crisis wakes up faith and, as outlined by Pastor Werner Oder in this paper, IDF troops have been going to war singing to God.

Children in Gaza have also heard the Gospel from a group working there; it was estimated that over 1,800 youngsters had heard a Gospel presentation in early November.

'One new man'

The Bible speaks of God bringing about 'one new man' (Ephesians 2) when Jew and Gentile will be united in

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their love of the Jewish Messiah. Recent weeks have seen testimonies of former Muslims who now love the God of Israel

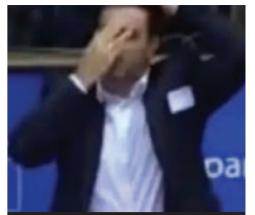
"They have nothing: no husband, no home, no clothes, absolutely nothing except bills and babies"

In this paper we report on two former Iranian and Hamas fighters who came to Christ and found their learned enmity against the Jews had been washed away. Through finding the Jewish Messiah, they realised that the hatred they bore

had a spiritual root.

Above all, the Christian God, the Prince of Peace, is close to those who suffer. Brenda Taylor of Dovetail Shalom Ministries said after the 7 October atrocities: "God's heart breaks for everyone who's been killed"

And Pastor Christy Smith of Brighton Elim said in his Sunday message on 5



Yoni Asher, whose wife and two young daughters were taken to Gaza, shared his story at the EU Parliament and then stood up to pray the 'Shema': "Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one". Yoni's younger daughter, Aviv, is featured on our cover and there are pictures of his wife, Doron and elder daughter, Raz, in the centre section

November: "God cries for Jewish babies burnt alive and for Gazan children blown up in their homes (when Hamas would not allow them to leave). 'Blessed are those that mourn: for they shall be comforted' (Matthew 5:4).'

COMFORT FOR THE BEREA

Christmas can be lonely for many; in the West as well as the world's war zones, the bereaved suffer. Mother Basilea Schlink of the Evangelical Sisters of Mary wrote: "If we feel lonely because we have lost a person dearest to us, Jesus is close by, wanting and waiting to give us himself and fill the aching void in our hearts. And he will do even more than that for us for where he is there is life in all its fullness."

Christians believe Jesus suffered in our place. Jesus' victory over death by rising again and his promise to return give us hope. So it is only in repentance for our own personal sin that we can regain peace. It is that peace which unites different people.

True peace comes one heart at a time. In this season where Jesus, the Prince of Peace is proclaimed, our part is to invite him into our hearts and our homes.

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Do I need this?

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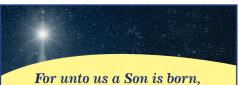
"Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus shed his precious blood and died for my sin and rose from the dead. I am willing to turn away from my sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart and life as

The churches featured in this paper will be happy to welcome you and explain the importance of daily Bible reading, daily prayer, baptism, being part of a congregation where the Bible is preached and believed, and telling others about what Jesus has done for you.

my personal Saviour."



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unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgement and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this

(Isaiah 9:6-7)

PALESTINIAN CHRISTIANS FEAR REPEAT OF ISIS GENOCIDE

hristians in Gaza are in danger and should be rescued at once.

Joel Rosenberg, a Messianic leader in Israel, has written an open letter to the Israeli government pleading for Christians to be urgently evacuated to the West Bank rather than heading to southern Gaza with the rest of the remaining north Gaza population.

As we went to press, the Christians were sheltering in Gaza's three main

Rosenberg wrote: "Christians in Gaza are in danger if they are evacuated to the south along with other Muslim civilians. The situation is becoming worse by the hour. They must not be moved south.

They must be evacuated to the West

Bank immediately.

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"Palestinians who love Jesus Christ and are called to follow Jesus are not members of Hamas or supporters of radical Islamist terrorism. They do not support the terror attacks on Israel. They just want to live in peace and be free to follow the Bible and love their neighbours.

They have seen the genocide that Isis launched against Christians in Iraq and Syria just a few years ago

"They are trapped in northern Gaza - amid all the bombings and gunfire and have nowhere in Gaza to go that is safe. The policy of the IDF has

understandably – and rightly – been to urge all Palestinians in and around Gaza City to flow to sanctuary areas in the south of the Gaza Strip where they will be safer from Israeli military operations, and have access to food, clean water, and medical care.

"But the situation for Palestinian Christians is very, very different to that of Palestinian Muslims. They are terrified of being forced to go south because they have seen the genocide that Isis launched against Christians in Iraq and Syria just a few years ago.

"Palestinian Christians are therefore terrified that they will be slaughtered and that their wives and daughters will be raped if they go south."

gels, PEOPLE & PLACES

IRE-BREATHING 'RABBI' GOSPEL FIT FOR A KING

Soldiers entering Gaza's terror tunnels have been praying fervently and some reports of divine intervention have been reported. Rabbi Zecharia Wallerstein relates that soldiers entering one of Hamas' tunnels to seek out hostages were warned by what appeared to be a rabbi to leave at once. When they refused, because their commanding officer was still in there, and tried to push past him, they

"freaked out" because they were able to walk through the 'rabbi', who then started breathing fire! At that point the officer returned and they all exited, just before a bomb went off.

In Lebanon some soldiers were taking refuge in a building when an old woman appeared and warned them to flee, moments before the building blew up.

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CLEARED OF ALL CH

Finnish politician Päivi Räsänen, whose court battles HEART has been following, has been acquitted on all four counts of 'hate speech'.

Along with Lutheran Bishop Juhana Pohjola, Dr Räsänen was unanimously vindicated by the Helsinki Court of Appeal in November. The pair had been accused of hate speech merely for sharing the Bible's teaching on marriage and sexuality. The verdict marks the second time that Räsänen has been taken to court for her beliefs and won her case.

The second time she has been sued for her beliefs and won her case

Paul Coleman, Executive Director of religious freedom campaign group ADF International which gave them legal support, commented: "The fact that their free speech case dragged on for over four years and came to trial twice is an outrageous abuse of process



Relieved: Päivi Räsänen and her husband

and weaponisation of the law to punish peaceful expression.
"Whether by

"Whether by governments or institutions, the public sharing of faithbased beliefs is met with increasing We proudly support people like Päivi and hostility... courageous Bishop Juhana, who have tirelessly stood up against censorship, so speech can remain free.

Year 5 & 6 children from St Mary's CE Primary School in York are seen here with their headteacher, after contributing to a set of gilt-edged Gospels which the children had written for the King's Coronation in May.

Their headteacher is showing John 2, which the children had written out.

Upon receiving a letter of thanks Buckingham Palace, the uniquely written Gospels were again displayed for the King's 75th birthday on 14 November.

'York Gospels 2023' involved over 2,000 residents of all ages, including 14 local primary schools, three secondary schools and both universities, with each participant writing one or more of the 3,778 verses in Matthew, Mark, Luke and

Project co-ordinator Keith Hayden said, "A special page was included with each chapter for an illustration, which led to a wide range of imaginative personal artwork.

Keith added, "The word 'Gospel' means 'Good News!' So many of us are praying that these handwritten Gospels, now in royal hands, will be a source of inspiration to King Charles. May they also be enjoyed by other members of the royal family. especially the younger ones."

NATIONAL NEWS BY ANDREW HALLOWAY

BIOETHICS EXPERT CALLS FOR CHANGE IN THE LAW AFTER INDI GREGORY DEATH

After a Nottingham baby was taken off life-support by order of the Court of Appeal and died on 13 November, bioethicist Professor David Albert Jones condemned the legal system.



Severely ill eight-month-old Indi Gregory hit the national headlines when doctors at Nottingham's Queens Medical Centre applied to the courts for permission to allow her to die. Indi's parents appealed against the decision with the support of the Christian Legal Centre.

However, even though an Italian hospital offered to treat Indi and the

Italian government granted her Italian citizenship to help save her, the Court still approved the hospital's decision. Her parents were not even allowed to take Indi home to die – she was transferred to a hospice where her life-support was removed on 12 November and she passed away at 1.45am the next day.

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Professor Jones is a Professor in Bioethics at St Mary's University, Twickenham, and director of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre in Oxford. He wrote in Premier Christianity magazine: "Allowing Indi Gregory to die, rather than be moved abroad for treatment, reveals serious flaws in the way British courts decide these cases. The law should be changed in order to better recognise the wishes of parents."

Indi's father, Dean Gregory, said: "My wife Claire and I are angry, heartbroken, and ashamed. The NHS and the courts not only took away her chance to live a longer life, but they also took away Indi's dignity to pass away in the family home where she belonged. They managed to take Indi's body and dignity, but they will never be able to take her soul."

According to LifeSiteNews, Dean



had Indi baptised before her death, saying the court ordeal had been like "hell... and I want Indi to go to heaven... I am not religious... But when I was in court, I felt like I was being dragged to hell. I thought that if hell exists, then heaven must also exist. It was as if the devil was there. I thought that if the devil exists, then God must exist."

Dean was impressed by the love and dedication of his lawyers from the Christian Legal Centre.

Indi had mitochondrial disease – the same condition as Charlie Gard, who died in 2017 after a similar court battle.

CABINET RESHUFFLE IS A MIXED BAG FOR PRO-LIFE ISSUES

PM Rishi Sunak's change of Cabinet ministers in November has varied implications for issues such as abortion and euthanasia.

The dismissal of Suella Braverman as Home Secretary seemed a loss to the pro-life cause as she had previously told police that they should not be arresting people in buffer zones around abortion clinics who were only involved in "silent prayer", because it "is not unlawful".

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In contrast, Right to Life UK reports that her replacement, James Cleverly, "has often abstained on votes related to life issues although he did vote against a bill to legalise assisted suicide in England and Wales in 2015. However, more recently, he has voted in favour of giving the Northern Ireland Secretary new powers to impose the commissioning of abortion services on the region."

Meanwhile, new Foreign Secretary Lord Cameron has supported reducing the abortion limit from 24 to 20 weeks, and when he was PM he denounced sex-



Political return: David Cameron was called back to the Cabinet in November

selective abortion as "appalling", although he abstained when Parliament voted on an outright ban. He has also abstained on a vote to legalise assisted

Cameron denounced sex-selective abortion as "appalling"

New Health Secretary Victoria Atkins has supported abortion buffer zones and making 'DIY' home abortions permanent. The new Environment Secretary, Steve Barclay, supported the imposition of abortion services in Northern Ireland and three-parent embryos, but has voted against assisted suicide and for a ban on sex-selective abortion.

The Cabinet's voting records on a number of life issues can be viewed at www.righttolife.org.uk.

CONVERSION THERAPY BILL ABSENT IN KING'S SPEECH

Prime Minister Rishi Sunak's plan for the current session of Parliament doesn't seem to include a conversion therapy bill, having been missed out of the King's Speech in November's state opening of Parliament.

The controversial proposal to ban conversion therapy threatened to restrict the freedom of Christian prayer and counselling, as well as preventing any professional from offering treatment for people with unwanted same-sex attraction.

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The National Director of Christian Voice, Stephen Green, commented: "Your prayers, backed up by emails to MPs, have been answered. The King's Speech made no reference to any ban on 'conversion therapy'... However, there was nothing to stop the rest of the 'woke' agenda."

CHRISTIAN CAMPAIGNER EXONERATED

The malicious case against Caroline Farrow, leader of traditional values campaign group CitizenGo, has been dropped by the Crown Prosecution Service.

HEART featured Caroline's arrest while cooking Sunday dinner for her family in October 2022. Police officers entered her home without a warrant and confiscated the electrical devices of her whole family, then arrested the Catholic mum and journalist.

The reason? She misgendered someone on the internet, who reported her to the police.

Six months later she was rearrested for not attending an interview, although she had warned the timing was not possible. Then the police applied for a draconian 'stalking protection order' against her which would have banned her from using the internet and any electronic devices. Fortunately that was refused.

On 11 November, Caroline told her supporters: "A few weeks ago, I received a notification that Surrey Police had referred my case to the Crown Prosecution Service who have determined that I will not face any criminal charges, because there is no evidence to support the allegations against me." However, Caroline's ordeal is not over. She says: "I am fighting my third civil

lawsuit in four years, brought by this same individual over alleged 'misuse of private information' for defending myself against his repeated attempts to de-platform me in the media. The case will likely be heard sometime in 2024.

Caroline Farrow has been exonerated

"I also intend to take legal action against Surrey Police... This situation happened because Surrey Police have been indoctrinated with LGBT ideology and were immediately biased against me from the start... their investigation consisted of believing the other party, on account of their transgender status as opposed to considering my side of the story.

"The police were prepared to walk all over my rights enshrined in articles eight, nine and ten of the Human Rights Act, because, they claimed I was at risk of committing 'serious crime'."

NATIONAL NEWS

GAY COUPLES WILL HAVE OWN CHURCH BLESSINGS BY EASTER

Same-sex couples will be able to request a dedicated ceremony of blessing in the Church of England via a trial process, following a vote on the issue by the General Synod on 15 November

LGBT couples will be able to invite their friends and family to a special ceremony to celebrate their union.

This comes as a result of an amendment proposed by the Bishop of Oxford, Rt Rev Steven Croft, that samesex stand-alone services be trialled on a temporary basis. In the House of Bishops, 23 voted for, ten against and four abstained. Among clergy, there were 100 votes for and 93 against, with one abstention. Within the laity, 104 voted in favour and 100 against, with no abstentions.

Speaking to Premier, the Bishop of London Rt Rev Sarah Mullally denied that the Church of England was offering same-sex marriage services. "This is about offering a stand-alone service to a couple in a stable, lifelong relationship with one another, who want to come in, give thanks for all those things that are good about their relationship and to ask for God's blessing."

Possible temporary ceremonies would be in place by Easter, although samesex blessings services are not expected to be rolled out more widely across the whole Church until at least 2025 due to technical aspects of Canon law.

Following the debate, Rev John Dunnett, National Director of the Church of England Evangelical Council (CEEC), said the organisation was "grieved and saddened" by the decision and described it as "a watershed moment...it appears that the Church of England no longer sees Scripture as our supreme authority".







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BEACON BASINGSTOKE

Through Faith Missions (TFM) ministered in Basingstoke last September with two large teams of evangelists, working collaboratively with four local churches. Lead Evangelist Dan Holland explains what will make this Hampshire town stand out

We have a rich history in Basingstoke. In 2003 TFM facilitated the 'Walk Wessex' mission. Wessex corresponds to the ancient Kingdom of King Alfred the Great (a Christian) who prayed to see the Kingdom of God come.

Seventeen years later, TFM returned. Pastor Ebow Essel from Wessex Christian Fellowship saw a TFM advertisement and made contact. TFM enthusiastically responded. Since 2020 we've returned annually.

On the first Sunday of this mission, pairs of TFM evangelists visited local Basingstoke churches, sharing about TFM and encouraging them to join in mission. Evangelism opportunities multiplied. There were many salvations and prayers made for countless people, followed up with 'Big questions' and 'Creation?' invitation events.

The excellent weather facilitated our door-knocking; one church set up a 'tea station' outside with seats and snacks offered. As we 'gossiped' the Gospel, the conversations which resulted surpassed all expectations.

For our final open air Gospel service we unknowingly chose the exact spot that 'Walk Wessex' was commissioned by the Bishop of Winchester exactly 20 years ago. All glory to Jesus!

God has spoken prophetically to TFM and local host churches about Basingstoke becoming a spiritual 'beacon', a centre of fire and missionary zeal, that trains, encourages and commissions evangelists. TFM is delighted to support this Kingdom work. Visit our website – throughfaithmissions.org – and make contact on email: admin@throughfaithmissions.org





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WHEN TRUTH FALLS IN THE STREETS

"WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO BRITAIN?"

Israelis are astonished at the hatred paraded in our cities

By HEART Staff

In recent weeks, thousands have demonstrated on the streets of London and other European capitals. London saw an estimated 300,000 anti-Israel protesters on Remembrance Sunday, whereas a peaceful solidarity march organised by Christians Against Antisemitism was first moved from central London to Golders Green and then cancelled as the Metropolitan Police said it could not protect them.

The Home Secretary has even lost her job for failing to amend an article that claimed the police treated some groups, such as the pro-Palestine protesters, more leniently.

Huge crowds of protesters waved black, red, white and green Palestinian flags and held aloft placards proclaiming "Resist and fight Zionism the disease" and "Welcome to Gaza twinned with Auschwitz," just over a month since the Hamas massacre that saw more than 1,200 butchered and some 240 people taken hostage.

The crowds chanted "From London to Palestine, occupation is a crime" and "in our thousands, in our millions, we are all Palestinians."

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Israelis are asking, "What has happened to Britain?", according to author Douglas Murray. Writing in The Telegraph (17 November 2023), he reported: "[London] rallies were held within hours of the massacres. To most Israelis this is nearly unfeasible. What other country would see 1,200 of its citizens slaughtered, 240 kidnapped and countless more wounded for life, and not be allowed even a day to mourn?"

FROM ENTEBBE TO GAZA CITY

Decades after he lost his hero brother in the raid to free the Entebbe hostages, Benjamin Netanyahu is facing his own hostage crisis. But will the world be as understanding of Israel's plight now?



By Jonathan Feldstein

On 27 June 1976, Captain Michel Bacos was piloting Air France Flight 139 with 246 passengers from Athens to Paris.

Minutes into the flight, two Palestinian and two German terrorists hijacked the flight. Bacos was forced at gunpoint to re-route the flight to Entebbe, Uganda. There the terrorists forced all Jewish

passengers into a separate room. Eventually they released the 148 non-Jewish passengers.

Remarkably, Captain Bacos and his crew remained with the Jewish hostages. On 4 July, the hostages were freed following an Israeli covert raid.

Today, the 240 hostages are much closer in harder to reach underground bunkers and likely not altogether. Ironically, the hero of the 1976 rescue was Lt Col Yonatan Netanyahu, older brother of current Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Now Yonatan's younger brother is dealing with his own hostage crisis.

The current French President, Emmanuel Macron, immediately flew to Israel after Hamas' massacre to show solidarity. Since then Macron has changed his tune, clearly playing to the vast terror base in his own backyard because France has seen a huge increase in antisemitic attacks. In a BBC interview, Macron claimed there was "no justification" for Israel's bombing of Hamas terror targets, and that a ceasefire would benefit Israel.

The US has also increased its rhetoric. Secretary



THE YOUNGER GENERATION IS LOST

Karen Harradine wrote a telling article on the youth of the pro-Palestine demonstrators in The Conservative Woman (11 November 2023)

Here is one memorable quote:

Thanks to years of dumbed-down, woke education, of which antisemitism is a part, many young Westerners have lost their critical thinking skills. Identity politics, not the Holocaust of more than 80 years ago, is the lens through which they frame their alignments. Jews who were reviled as Semites in Europe, in Israel have become 'the acme of white privilege'. Identity conforming youth are easily swayed into delusional tropes such as that Israel oppresses the subjugated, progressive movement of Hamas."

"YOUR PROBLEM, NOT OURS"

After tens of thousands took to the streets in Europe and the US to show solidarity for Gaza, the editor of Israel Today has issued a warning: "This is your problem, not Israel's."

He points out that since the 2011 Arab Spring, European governments have welcomed millions of Muslim refugees and asks, "Why did no other resourceful Arab country or the oil-rich Persian Gulf states accept Arab refugees? ...For years, radical Muslims in Europe have talked about liberating Europe from the hands of Christians."

The full version of this article can be read at: www.israeltoday.co.il

UNION PAYS TEACHERS TO PROTEST

By Melanie Symonds

When GB News and The Times gasped that the young woman holding up a racist placard on a pro-Palestine march was a teacher, I was not surprised.

Two weeks earlier I had emailed GB News to tell them that the largest teaching union, the NEU (National Education Union), was going to pay its members' travel and lunch expenses if they abandoned their weekend lesson prep and headed to London to join the pro-Palestine rally.

This is because the NEU gives £1.79 of each member's subs to the Palestine Solidarity Campaign. With around 450,000 members, that gives the PSC around £750,000 pa.

What version of history will these teachers be giving their pupils?

The full version of this article will be at: www.heartpublications.co.uk.

of State Blinken told reporters in India, "Far too many Palestinians have been killed; far too many have suffered these past weeks."

If criticism by Blinken and Macron is not first directed at Hamas, for their massacre and for using civilians as shields, they are not credible.

In 2019, Israel's national anthem was played at Michel Bacos' funeral where the mayor of Nice said, "Michel, bravely refusing to give in to antisemitism and barbarism, did honour to France. The love of France and the defence of liberties have marked his destiny." Today is the world's Bacos moment. Will you stand

"NEVER AGAIN IS NOW"

This is the new call at pro-Israel rallies





Jews and Christians gathered in Trafalgar Square to show solidarity with Israel in October

After their first attempt was cancelled for safety concerns, Christians from across Britain gathered in Central London on 19 November for a 'Never again is now' prayer event.

Representatives from various Christian denominations, members of the Jewish community, and public figures joined to sing hymns and offer prayers to bring comfort to the Jewish community mourning the recent atrocities and to support Israel in its defence against an unprovoked war. The event was organised by Christians Against Antisemitism with other Christian groups joining.

The organisers said it was "A peaceful prayer stand to show our love and solidarity for our Jewish community, who are facing intense and unprecedented rises in antisemitism".

with Israel or appease the terrorists?

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The full version of this article will be at: www.heartpublications.co.uk

To sign a petition to help Israel resist growing pressure for a ceasefire until ALL the hostages are released, see https://genesis123.co/freethehostages

THIS IS WHAT GOD **TOLD ME ABOUT GAZA**

Werner Oder, the son of an Austrian Nazi war criminal, had a radical conversion to Christ who, he says, set him free from antisemitism and gave him a special love for the Jewish people. Thus in October he flew to Israel to show support when most foreign nationals were fleeing the hostilities. His own salvation experience enables him to speak out fearlessly about current events

n arriving at Tel Aviv, when I was still numb with the shock of witnessing a repeat of Holocaust atrocities, a border control officer asked me: "Why are you coming to Israel when everyone is leaving?

I replied: "I have come from the UK to lend my support to Israel at this time, to tell them that I love them, to be with them in times of danger, to grieve with them and share their sorrow.

The man was so moved he almost forget to check my pass-

I believe God is using this awful tragedy to make the world wake up to the responsibility

The man was so moved he almost forget to check my passport

of bringing Hamas and their sympathisers to justice. My ancestors sympathised with Hitler killing men, women and children, bayonetting babies, torturing children.

Few of their war criminals were brought to justice. Instead, they were recruited by the gov-

ernments of post-war nations who permitted their demonic spirit to mutate into the evil we have seen perpetrated in Israel.

But not even the Nazis did what Hamas is doing; no animal does what these murderers of women and children did.

I have no time for deluded 'Christian' volunteers working for NGOs (Non-Governmental Organisations) who tell their church back home that Israelis are the criminals, and Palestinians the victims. It only encourages people living in the comfort of their homes, 3,000 miles away, to make 100 per cent judgements out of their one per cent ignorance.

So what does God have to say about the war in Gaza? When I asked him, he replied from Scripture:

"This is what the LORD says: "For three sins of Gaza, even for four, I will not turn back the punishment of my wrath. Because she took captive whole communities and sold them to Edom; I will send fire upon the walls of Gaza that will consume her fortresses" (Amos 1:6-7).

What is happening in Gaza to-day has been prophesied 2,700

years ago by a Jewish shepherd! We don't need to elaborate on the three sins of Gaza, because the fourth sin of Gaza happened before our very eyes during the 7 October atrocities, where 'whole communities' were slaughtered and the rest were "sold to Edom", the descendants of Esau. (Esau wanted to kill Jacob whom God renamed Israel).

What is happening in Gaza todav was prophesied 2,700 years ago by a **Jewish shepherd**

I also believe that God is warning us from the prophet Obadiah:

"The day of the Lord is near for (Gaza and) all nations. As you have done, so it will be done to you. Your deeds will return upon you own head!" (Obadiah 15)

God has now raised up his heavenly and earthly armies to punish Gaza, to destroy the walls and level the fortresses in punishment of the horrific crimes that have shocked the world. And, because the whole world is under the power of the god of this world, who has been a liar from the beginning, his media circus is circling like hyenas in the hope that Israel will be torn to pieces. (An investigation is under way that proves that photographers working for the New York Times, CNN, AP and Reuters moved with the Hamas invaders from the first moment of attack, taking pictures of the atrocities, while the BBC relied on Hamas for their [dis] information!)

This is not just Israel's battle, it is God's battle! Three thou-



My ancestors sympathised with Hitler – killing men, women and children, bayonetting babies, torturing children

sand years ago Jehoshaphat, King of Judah, faced a vast army that came to annihilate them. A God-fearing man, as "all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their children (2 Chronicles 20:13), he prayed: "We have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are upon you" (2 Chronicles 20:12).

Today, Israel is standing before the Lord with their wives, children and little ones, calling upon the Lord. And, like the army in the days of Jeshoshaphat, they have been going to war praising the Lord in the beauty of holiness, calling upon Adonai with all their hearts.

When IDF soldiers captured one of the minarets in Gaza, they declared, "Sh'ma Yisrael Adonai Eloheinu Adonai Ehad" ("Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one"), over its speaker system - never before in history have we seen such a thing!

Amidst this bloody conflict God is re-writing history – there is hope! And God wants us not just to be witnesses of this historic event, but to take part in the shaping of history.

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Like it or not, we are called to participate in fighting the good fight against the evil of deception that, like tear gas, has invaded the Church. I am so dismayed by the blindness and sheer ignorance of our British 'Christian world'; it makes me ashamed to call myself a Christian.

Once known as a Christian

country, whose cathedrals reverberated with the hymn "Jerusalem...builded here among those dark satanic mills", we have largely abandoned Jerusa-

These 'dark satanic mills' are rotating in tolerance of the pro-Palestinian "Kill the Jews' demonstrations that reveal the spirit controlling whatever is left of Great Britain. What has been hidden behind the 'stiff upper lip' of Queen's English, English church culture and British colloquialism is a Nazi spirit that refuses to condemn

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This IDF commander's stirring speech to his troops of **Battalion 7 before they entered** Gaza went viral after he evoked Israel's history: "We are not alone... I can feel the spirits of King David's soldiers, of Mordecai, the Maccabis... all the warriors of the Warsaw Ghetto and all the warriors of Israel from the time we became a nation"



When this war has ended, 1000s of Gazans will love Israel for the freedom the Jews brought to their country!

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Hamas terrorism, but arrests Christians who have the courage to declare publicly that Jesus is King of kings and Lord of

On Remembrance Sunday, as well as remembering the fallen from Britain's wars, we need to widen it to include:

- The 1,000s of Jews who were murdered throughout history for no other reason than the fact that God chose them to become a blessing to the world.
- · The millions of Christians who were murdered and tortured for no other reason than their witness to Jesus Christ, the Jewish Messiah and Saviour of the world.
- · The men and women of the Israeli army who have followed God's call to remove evil from their world.

We also need to remember the people of Gaza. Many want to be free from the demonic yoke of Hamas and live in freedom.

When this war has ended and we pray it will be soon, thousands of Gazans will love Israel for the freedom the Jews brought to their country

Let us not be silent like the German Christians of World War 2 who said and did nothing in a time of slaughter, but let us say with Isaiah: "For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her righteousness shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch" (Isaiah 62:1).



Pastor Werner Oder leads the Tuckton Christian Centre in Bournemouth. His book, 'Battling with Nazi Demons' is available from Onwards and Upwards Publishers. Another account of his visit called

'Worse than the Nazis' by Charles Gardner is at www.heartpublications.co.uk

ESCAPE FROM THE **ROCKET CAPITAL**

Michael Beener is the pastor of a mainly Russian-speaking Messianic congregation in Sderot, often known as the "rocket capital" of Israel due to its proximity to Gaza and subjection to frequent rocket attacks.

Rev Nick Gray describes what happened to Michael and his wife Dina on the last day of the normally ioyous feast of Sukkot (Tabernacles), a day that will join the dates of Israel's worst military experiences and is already known as "the Hamas massacre" or the "Simchat Torah massacre"

n 7 October at 6.30am, while preparing for a Shabbat service in Sderot, Michael Beener was disturbed by shouts and gunfire as Hamas terrorists attacked their town.

He recalls: "They entered our neighbourhood, causing chaos and terror; we sought refuge in a bomb shelter as rockets rained down.
"The terrorists killed innocent people

and seized the police station. The military eventually arrived, securing the area. Communication was lost, but after a few days, we reconnected and planned our evacuation.

Despite the intense bombings, we managed to leave Sderot safely, even after a rocket narrowly missed our car. Throughout this harrowing experience. we felt the Lord's supernatural protec-



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tion, keeping us safe in the midst of the turmoil and violence. We relocated to a kibbutz in the Judean Hills near Jerusalem.

Many of Michael's congregation are now scattered and they have been told they will not be able to return to Sderot until January at the earliest! In the meantime, they have started projects to help other evacuated families and gather supplies to support soldiers on the front lines

The Messianic movement in Israel has risen to the huge challenges their nation is facing. Many ministries are combining their efforts to support evacuated, traumatised families and to gather supplies to encourage and boost the morale of regular and reserve soldiers waiting to enter Continues on page 14

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS BY ANDREW HALLOWAY

CANADA



Euthanasia laws sanction government 'murder'

The legalising of euthanasia in Canada has allowed "the state to kill", according to the head of the country's only pro-life hos-

Angelina Ireland, president of the Delta Hospice Society's board in British Columbia, warned that "MAiD (medical assistance in dying) is an amendment to the Criminal MAiD allows agents of the state to kill us and it's actually called 'non-culpable homicide'."

"We have abdicated our power"

Ireland, describes who herself as "a defender of traditional end-of-life values", told LifeSiteNews: "We have abdicated our power and given



Angelina Ireland, president of a Canadian hospice society, is refusing to euthanise their

the government the supreme authority — the right and the privilege to murder us.'

In 2020 Delta was banned from operating one hospice over its refusal to partake in MaiD.

FRANCE

Macron pledges to make abortion a human right

French President Emmanuel Macron has pledged to make abortion part of the French constitution in 2024.

announced Macron intention to make abortion rights "irreversible", after seeing the US Supreme Court overturn the Roe v Wade proabortion decision.

The Guardian reports that government Macron's engineered a bill that means he will not have to put the decision to a national referendum.



Whose human right? President **Emmanuel Macron will make** women's abortion rights

GERMANY

Anne Frank institution renamed to promote 'diversity'



The last known photograph of Anne Frank, taken in May 1942, for a passport

A daycare centre in Germany accused been antisemitism because it is removing Anne Frank from its name, changing it to 'World Explorer'.

The centre, in the small town of Tangerhütte, claims it is being more inclusive because migrants attending the centre say they can't explain to their children why Anne Frank's life was significant. Frank, a Jewish girl who died in a Nazi concentration camp, is famous for her diary which was published after World War 2.

USA

New Speaker compared to gun killer

The newly elected Speaker of the US House of Representatives, Mike Johnson, has been called a "religious fanatic" by a US comedian and talk show

The comedian, Bill Maher, also compared the committed Christian to mass shooter Robert Card, who killed 18 people in Maine in October. Maher said: "Is he [Card] that different than Mike Johnson?

Bible-believing Johnson is anti-abortion and antihomosexuality and his election on 25 October has



been heavily criticised by leftwingers. According to Premier News, atheist Maher mocked Johnson's faith, calling him: "Super, duper, uber Christian. mean super Christ-y. Republicans have really found their sweet spot: loves Jesus. hates democracy."

In a Fox News interview Johnson responded to critics of his opinion on gay marriage, saying: "I respect the rule of law but I also genuinely love all people regardless of their lifestyle choices.'

USA

X owner says 'old Twitter' was propaganda

that before he took over the social media business, Twitter (now X) was an "arm of the government" and a "far-left information weapon" that spread a "death cult" mindset across the globe.

Interviewed on The Joe Rogan Experience podcast on Spotify, Musk said the "old Twitter" had been dominated by extreme environmentalists who see "humanity as a plague" on the earth.

Musk told Rogan: "If you start thinking that humans are bad, then the natural conclusion

Billionaire Elon Musk claims is that humans should die out. That death cult was in charge of social media, and still largely is." The SpaceX founder and Tesla CEO warned that if artificial intelligence (AI) gets into the hands of "extinctionists" it could be used to depopulate the earth.

Musk also confirmed that before he took it over, Twitter censored much conservative content, which would include religious voices, and "Republicans were suppressed at ten times the rate of Democrats".



Elon Musk, who says he took over Twitter to defend free speech

EU

Treaty will force liberal ideology on developing nations

A new European Union treaty will make 79 African, Caribbean Pacific (ACP) nations impose LGBTQ ideology and pro-abortion sex education on their populations.

According to LifeSiteNews. the treaty between the EU and the Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS), which was due to be signed as HEART went to press, will "override national sovereignty and assault the innocence of children in a huge swath of countries if they don't opt out".

The Samoa Agreement, which will be legally binding for 20 years, is an update on the Cotonou Partnership Agreement signed in 2000 which concentrated on trade and economic matters. The new treaty smuggles in liberal policies under the banner of human rights, which according to a spokesperson for the Jamaica Coalition for a Healthy Society is "anti-human rights, anti-life, anti-children, antifamily, anti-freedom of speech, anti-freedom of conscience, anti-belief, anti-parental rights, anti-God".

Treaty is "brainwashing" them in Western liberal values

Family Watch International also claims the treaty will require ACP governments educate children homophobia and transphobia, thus "brainwashing" them in Western liberal values.

As we write only Namibia has rejected the treaty, but pro-life organisations hoped that many other ACP countries would also opt out.

HUNGARY

Museum boss fired for **letting children** into LGBT exhibition

Hungary has dismissed the director of its National Museum for breaking the law by allowing children into an exhibition that included LGBT content, reports Reuters news agency.

The decision came after a government inquiry because of a 2021 law that bans the "display and promotion of homosexuality" in books and films for under-18s.

Prime Minister Viktor Orbán has been criticised by the EU and human rights groups after his government sacked László Simon for failing to uphold "the legal obligations of the institution".

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aving graciously and generously been gifted land and prophetically directed to build a sanctuary within the allotment (Ezekiel 48:8), we have dutifully submitted plans for just that!

It is set in the beautiful Hampshire countryside alongside the banks of the River Meon where, centuries ago, St Wilfrid successfully evangelised the Meonwara tribe and established churches that still stand today.



Church members grew closer as they worked together

We are also within a stone's throw of Titchfield Abbey, which brought an ordained priesthood and improved the fortunes and economy of nearby Titchfield, so we are surrounded by a legacy of prayer and preaching of the Gospel.

People praising God in song, praying together, sharing the Gospel or simply chatting as they weeded among the beetroot

Having been led prophetically along the ancient paths, we are pursuing God with a vision of prayer-filled unity. This project brings together a theological understanding and a practical working out of our own ancient faith, spanning 2,000 years, to plant and to build right here in 2023, "For such a time as this."

Our proposed building seeks to bring a monastic church Chris Wickland, Senior Pastor of Living Word Network, Hampshire, is one of HEART's Partner Pastors. His prophecies have often featured in the paper, as well as the vision he received for the need to be a 'Joseph generation' and prepare wisely for the days ahead. His church

was gifted an acre of farmland to grow vegetables and now has permission to build a sanctuary that will restore "long lost rhythms of life and prayer"



community into the everyday life of the modern day Church.

allow The plans residential hospitality, where visitors can stay and pray, learn the rhythms and take a liturgy of life back to their own communities. There are plans for a prayer garden and community food production via the current productive allotment.

Our vision is both spiritual and practical. We envisage opportunities for consistent and praver fellowship. incorporating monastic ideals such as praying the hours, working the land, praying for our land, hospitality and enterprise. We are excited to re-ignite within the body of Christ a passion for community,



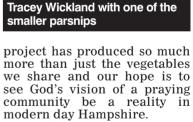
prayer and the simple Gospel of Jesus.

We want the facilities to offer the Church an opportunity to reinstate long lost rhythms of life and prayer, to fill the skies and our land once again with an offering of prayer and praise to the Lord. All our work will then be able to come from a place of rest, where our endeavours and enterprises are first and foremost prayer-soaked pleas.

We humbly want to offer a set apart place dedicated to God where he might settle his presence.

We've already seen how a simple (rather large!) vegetable garden has affected lives, developing organic community, friendships and fellowship.

I've personally had the joy of walking past people praising God in song, praying together, sharing the Gospel or simply chatting as they weeded among the beetroot. The current



There's a long planning road ahead of us and prayers for favour and success are very much appreciated.

In all ways this needs to be the house that God built.

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THE DRAGON'S FURY

A sign that a spiritual awakening is on the horizon

By Charles Gardner

aving pondered the lessons learnt from the Yom Kippur War of 50 years ago in the Oct/Nov issue of this paper, it was an earth-shattering shock to witness it happening all over again.

Though this time it was not 'just' an unprovoked invasion, but a terrifying slaughter of defenceless citizens – the worst since the Holocaust.

And yet, instead of sympathising with the victims, pro-Palestinian protestors around the world were baying for more blood while politicians keep parroting their tired old mantra about a 'two-state solution', which is simply a recipe for more terror.

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Such a solution was originally offered by the UN in 1947 but was rejected outright by the Palestinians who only want a single state – and it's not Jewish!

But it's not all bad news...
The Book of Revelation, focusing on the last days before Messiah's return, depicts a dragon about to slay a pregnant woman.

"The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that he might devour her child the moment it was born" (Revelation 12:4).

This speaks of Jesus, and of times of great distress for Israel, but also signifies that something spectacular is about to happen in terms of restoration, renewal and redemption. For when Satan attacks with the utmost fury, you know that God is about to rescue his people.

Something spectacular is about to happen – restoration, renewal and redemption

When Pharaoh issued a decree to kill all the Hebrew babies because he feared the Israelites were getting too numerous, it was a sign that Adonai was about to work a mighty miracle through Moses. The infant was duly rescued from among the bulrushes of the Nile,



Cliff edge: This view of the Israeli wilderness illustrates the precarious future of a world that rejects the God of Israel

and eventually led his people out of slavery towards the Promised Land.

When Messiah was born, King Herod, feeling threatened, ordered the slaughter of the Bethlehem infants. But Yeshua's parents had obeyed the angelic instruction to escape to Egypt until the wicked tyrant was no more.

As Simeon prayed when Jesus was presented at the Temple, the infant Christ was "a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel" (Luke 2:32). But due to national rejection, the Jewish people were

Number 10 Downing Street is illuminated by the Israel flag in October

exiled to the nations.

Now fast-forward some 1,900 years to the time when God's chosen ones began returning to Zion in fulfilment of ancient prophecies of Jewish restoration. The dragon vented his fury as never before by filling the Nazis with wicked genocidal madness, brutally slaughtering six million Jews including one-and-a-half million children. The Holocaust was designed to sink all hopes of such restoration but, out of the ashes, Israel was re-born as a nation.

Now another tyrant, in the form of terrorist group Hamas and their murderous co-conspirators, engages in the shameless slaughter of innocent children, along with men, women and the elderly. A truly terrifying outrage, yet also a sure sign that God has a glorious plan in mind which the enemy is determined to prevent.

A mighty spiritual awakening is on the horizon. The dry bones have come back to life, and the Spirit of the Lord is blowing afresh among all those who are turning their hearts to him.

The Lord weeps for Israel's children. As Jeremiah prophesied: "A voice is heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because her children are no more" (Jeremiah 31:15).

This word was fulfilled at Bethlehem and has been repeated in recent days. But Ezekiel's dry bones prophecy (Ezekiel 37) speaks of resurrection – not only of a great nation, but of a people returning to close fellowship with their Saviour and Lord.

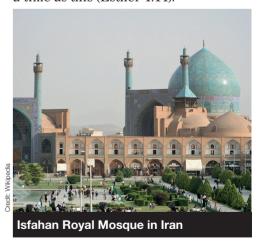
When all hell breaks loose around you, don't be discouraged

Rabbi Jonathan Cahn writes of the egg-eating snake in similar terms to the dragon of Revelation (in 'The Book of Mysteries', published by FrontLine). It strikes out to pre-empt the birth of new life.

So when all hell breaks loose around you, don't be discouraged. It's a sign of the enemy's determination to abort the purposes of God. But he won't succeed. Heaven's best is yet to come.

The Muslim world is collapsing from within. The mosques of Iran are fast emptying, but her people are finding solace in the Jewish Saviour.

I leave you with a challenge from American preacher Karen Wheaton, that perhaps we (like Queen Esther) have come into God's Kingdom for such a time as this (Esther 4:14).



The mosques of Iran are fast emptying, but her people are finding solace in the Jewish Saviour

"If you as a Church do nothing in this hour and remain comfortable in your palaces," Karen warned on her regular YouTube broadcast, "our generation will pay the price"

will pay the price."
It's time to seek the Lord, and to bless his people Israel.



GARDNER'S WORLD ... Continued

IF HAMAS ARE NOT TERRORISTS, WHO ARE?

The furious row over the BBC's refusal to label Hamas as terrorists only succeeded in the broadcaster softening its stance two weeks after the 7 October 'Hamas-sacre'.

BBC newsreaders now refer to them as a group proscribed by the UK government, without owning the tag for themselves.

But whatever their guidelines say, it defies belief that they should take such a stand over people who burn and behead babies.

Foreign Secretary James Cleverly first confronted the BBC live on air, berating presenter Sally Nugent for describing them as militants.

"Hamas...is a terrorist organisation. I just want to make sure you recognise that in your reporting; these are not militants, they are terrorists.

"The murders that they have perpetrated in Israel, the kidnaps they have perpetrated and the threats of summary executions that will be televised and broadcast – these are all terrorist attacks and I would urge you to reflect that in your reporting.

He said Hamas had made the plight of the Palestinian people immeasurably worse by their actions.

MORE TEA, MOHAMMAD?

Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby welcomed two controversial Muslim leaders to Lambeth Palace for tea and cake, including a cleric with close ties to the brutal Iranian regime.



Dr Mohammad Ali Shomali spent five years as UK representative of the Iranian supreme leader in his role as head of the Islamic Centre of England (ICE), the London mosque currently the subject of a Charity Commission inquiry due to its role in promoting extremism.

Also on the guest list was Mohammed Kozbar, a leader of the Muslim Council of Britain and chairman of Finsbury Park Mosque, who has praised the founder of the Hamas terror group as a 'holy

warrior'.
Lord Carlile KC, the independent reviewer of terrorism legislation, said it was a "serious error of judgement" to engage in discussions with those who have been seen as apologists for extremism.



TV STAR 'SHAKING WITH FEAR'

Television star Rachel Riley says the amount of hatred she has witnessed for British Jews since the October 7 attack on Israel has left her "shaking with fear"

The 37-year-old Jewish presenter, who has had long-running battles with the Corbynite wing of the Labour Party over antisemitism, told how the events of recent weeks have frequently left her in tears - and she has witnessed a torrent of abuse and misinformation.

By contrast, she had been heartened by the positive support including the 50,000 people who signed an 'October Declaration' against antisemitism and on the need to call out Hamas as terrorists.

THE RIGHT THING TO DO

The political interpretation of right and left originates in the Bible, claims Israel Today editor Aviel Schneider.

In an article entitled 'When points of the compass reveal political direction', he explains how the compass of Middle East ancients pointed to the east (where the sun rises) rather than the north. Thus, Abraham turned right (ie south) when he separated from Lot, who turned left towards the well-watered plains of the Jordan Valley. In other words, he chose according to his senses and human understanding, whereas Abraham trusted God.

"Left-wing ideology is founded on logic, on what the eye can see, while right-wingers trust in God. Thus, leftwing politics is more likely to be humanistic, [and] right-wing biblical."

Lot chose according to his senses and human understanding, whereas Abraham trusted God

In brief...

- Israel has signed a \$3.5 billion deal with Germany – the largest of its kind in the Jewish state's history - to provide a crack missile defence system.
- The Ofcom watchdog has fined Islam Channel £40,000 airing an antisemitic documentary sharing conspiracy theories originating in neo-Nazi publications.



BERTHA'S BRAVERY

plaque has been unveiled in honour of a woman who helped save hundreds of Jewish children from Holocaust.

House.

founder of the Kindertransport, Bertha Bracey helped rescue thousands of Nazi victims and lone children between 1933-1948. The plaque was unveiled by the Birmingham Civic Society and Bournville Village Trust at Bournville Quaker Meeting

Born in Birmingham in 1893, Ms Bracey was a Quaker who worked in Austria and Germany as a youth and aid worker, and later arranged for 300 orphans to be flown to England from a concentration camp.



Tech billionaire Elon Musk says he is 'aspirationally Jewish', rebutting accusations he has been soft on antisemitism since buying Twitter (now known as X).

My entire life story is, in fact, pro-Semitic," Musk said in a discussion with conservative political commentator Ben Shapiro. "I actually went to Hebrew pre-school in South Africa when I was a kid. Now, I don't know if I'm genetically Jewish or what - maybe somewhere but I'm aspirationally Jewish.



Nine babies were hastily baptised in one of Gaza's three main churches on 29 October as their parents wanted them to "die as Christians".

At the time, Israeli bombs targeting terrorist infrastructure (con Hamas'

cealed in and under civilian buildings) caused fear in the trapped civilian population as Hamas was preventing their fleeing to the south. Once Israel had secured Gaza City in November, the IDF messaged the population in Arabic and provided safe passage for those who felt able to leave.



An amazing find in the heartland of Israel gives insights into the early Church and helps to dispel the myth that the land belongs to the Palestinians.

The newly discovered inscription reads: "Jesus Christ, guard me, for I am poor and needy. Guard my life, for I am faithful to you.

Experts say the text is written in Koine Greek, the lingua franca of the ancient Middle East and Mediterranean

It was unearthed in the ruins of the Hyrcania fortress, built between 100-200BC either by Hasmonean ruler John Hyrcanus or his son Alexander Jannaeus.

Other recent articles by Charles Gardner, which can be found at www.heartpublications.co.uk.include:

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Afshin Javid is a former member of Iran's feared internal security force. the Basij militia, and spent his youth attending anti-Israel protests, chanting "Death to Israel" and burning Israeli flags. He later enforced strict Sharia laws on Iran's streets and participated in six executions. Now a Christian, he had a radical meeting with Jesus in prison. This is an edited version of his recent interview with Simon Barrett of Revelation TV

I wanted to please Allah before I could even read or write. As long as I remember I hated the Jews. Israel was the infidel.

On the way to the US to 'convert' Christians to Islam, I was put in jail for my illegal passport. I was a very devout Muslim who fasted and read the whole Qur'an every ten days. One day I was praying and a man appeared in shining light. I knew he was holy and just and I felt that he must kill me.

I didn't want to die so I cried out, "Forgive me - forgive me".

I was praying and a man appeared in shining light

I felt a touch on my left shoulder and he said, "I forgive you." I felt his word penetrate right through me. [In Islam] there is no example of Allah's mercy until the day of judgement. I felt a weight lift off me. I felt lighter but I was confused as I didn't know one could experience this in this life.

I cried out, "Forgive me forgive me"

I asked, "Who are you?" Then he appeared to me and said, "I am the way, the truth and the life".

I didn't understand and asked again, "What is your name?" He said, "Jesus Christ". I fell on the floor and I wept.

Then I looked up and saw a screen of people of all generations and races and their sins. And Jesus said, "I can forgive them as easily as I forgave you, but who is going to tell them? Go and I will be with you."

I ran to the prison mosque and told everyone to believe in Jesus and that he could forgive them as he appeared to me.



amazing testimony of meeting Jesus while praying in prison

They tried to kill me, of course.

My brother has since tried to kill me a few times and later my father ran after me with a butcher's knife, but I outran him. For 11 years I kept telling him about Jesus Christ and he is

I was away for five years, then was able to move to Canada as a refugee where my wife and I set up 'Cyrus Call', a ministry with prayer houses for Muslim converts to live with us. We also create teams to share the Gospel with the nations.

Then the Lord spoke to me in 2008 that I had spoken evil of Israel and I needed to repent and to ask the Jewish people's forgiveness. After that, I kept meeting Jews and I always

told them I had fallen in love with them and asked forgiveness for having ever hated them. I have now been many times to Israel and I make a point of telling my brothers and sisters how sorry I am.

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Rocket damage in Sderot. Shrapnel from this rocket damaged Michael's car, but he was able to use it to evacuate his family

Many Messianic pastors are considering the wider spiritual implications of the war against Hamas for the future of Israel. At the same time many are preparing for what they pray will be an unprecedented turning to the Messiah of Israel, Yeshua (Jesus).

This is Michael's perspective on the prophetic view of current events:

"The general sentiment in Israel was one of discontent and astonishment as its military strength appeared to have been much less formidable than expected.

"We are living in prophetic times, and when we speak of Hamas and Hezbollah, we are, in fact, referring to Iran – ancient Persia. We watched with concern as Iran displayed its intention to get involved in the conflict against Israel [as we went to press Iran had signalled it would not join the war this time], while nations around the world have aligned themselves either for or against us. Russia and Turkey took a stance against us, while the United States, the United Kingdom, and others have stood with us. This dynamic could potentially trigger a great war, prophesied for the end times.

"The prophets concur that ultimately

all nations will either be on Israel's side or against it.

'The prophet Ezekiel spoke of Gog from the land of Magog, the prince of Meshech and Tubal, as the leader of the forces that would wage war against Israel. These ancient nations largely correspond to the former Soviet republics. Gog symbolically represents the leader or group of leaders of this great power that will emerge in the last days. Ezekiel also mentioned Persia, Ethiopia, Libya, Gomer, and Togarmah as allies of Gog.

"Jeremiah, on the other hand, named various ancient Middle Eastern countries that would fight against Israel. However, these designations refer to general regions of the ancient world, making it difficult to precisely identify modern nations.

'The goal of this grand and iniquitous alliance is clear: to destroy the nation of Israel.

more than ever, we must "Now continue working to bring relief to the hearts in Israel and pray that the scales fall from their eyes, allowing them to see the Messiah and welcome him with open

You can discover and support Michael's congregation and current projects at www.clm-israel.org/idf-support/ See how one evangelistic ministry is reaching hundreds of their fellow Israelis at: www.treeoflifeisrael.org

IRANIANS ARE WITH REGIME



Yonatan, an Iranian Christian, spoke at a 'Bring them home' rally for the Hamas hostages in East Sussex in October. He empathised with Israel being under attack from extremist Islamists because his own country, Iran, had been "taken over by an extremist regime 42 years ago" in the Iranian revolution. He carried an Iranian flag with an Israeli flag attached to the corner

Young Iranians are emigrating or converting to other religions, according to ex-Iranian fighter Afshin Javid.

Javid spoke of the population's extreme frustration with the economic situation in Iran and its disillusionment with the political leadership. He claimed there is a "massive" drug addiction problem and high suicide and divorce rates, while Facebook is full of Iranians complaining that the revolution and the regime are not bringing them "any of the things that you prom-

Others, he said, "are trying to stay within the borders of Islam" but following a more moderate interpretation of the faith.

With many struggling to even feed their families, Javid said, "The only way to change the mindset of a nation is to show them your friendship, and a better way to live.

(Source: The Times of Israel)



NEVER AGAIN... Pull-out supplement with news and personal updates from Israel that you won't hear on mainstream media

FROM BABI-YAR 1941 TO BE'ERI 2023 POGROMS THEN AND NOW

Holocaust survivor Dr Arie Itamar survived Nazi massacres in Ukraine, but is now witnessing something he thought he would never see again, the slaughter of his own people. He brings a message of defiance and hope

n that black Saturday, 7 October, we were woken by the alarm at 6.30am. I entered the security room, but it was only in the evening that we started to understand what had happened.

After I heard about the horrific events, I took three knives and put one in the security room, one at the main door and one in my car. I do not have any firearms, but though I am 85, I decided that any terrorist who tried to take my life would pay a high price. Our settlement is not on the front line. We are 50 km away from Gaza, but according to the home-front command instructions, our lives would no longer be 'as normal'; children's playgrounds and schools have been closed and a special team is organising activities for children.

An armed security team is patrolling the village. We are a small village, therefore not "attractive" for the terrorists. They "save" their bombs for more populated settlements.



Devastation in Kibbutz Be'eri

From time to time I do some voluntary work either for soldiers or other people, but I am very worried because I have four family members who are mobilised: my elder grandson is an officer in the north; his wife, also an officer, is near Jerusalem; in the heart of the fighting is the boyfriend of my second granddaughter; and my youngest grandson is in Gaza. This is my life now.

The difference between the Nazis and Hamas

More than 80 years have passed since the terrible massacre in the Babi-Yar valley near Kiev in September 1941, and a similar massacre near Odessa, the city where I was born one month later.

I survived because my grand-mother managed to save me – she pushed us both



Dr Arie Itamar leading a tour in 2022 in Old Tel Aviv, where his family settled when they finally reached Israel

into a train which escaped from Odessa, under fire from which I was wounded. My father, Lieutenant Michael, died on the battlefield near Moscow on 18 January 1042

Now the question is: 'What is the difference between Babi-Yar 1941 and Be'eri and other settlements on the borders of Gaza on 7 October 2023?' I have only heard and read about the horrific events there. I don't have the courage to look at the photos and videos.

On 7 October 2023, the murderers, including "innocent Gazan civilians" had

"intimate relationships" with their victims, men, women, babies, children, old people in wheelchairs — cutting heads off with axes, raping, burning bodies, looting, kidnapping — accompanied by savage expressions of joy and satisfaction. By contrast, in Babi-Yar, the mur-

Russia, Iran, China, Turkey, Daesh, Al Qaida, Hamas, Cuba, Venezuela... the beautiful society.

Seeing all these gangs and their demonstrations, I admire all those individuals and organisations, in Britain and other countries, honest people who

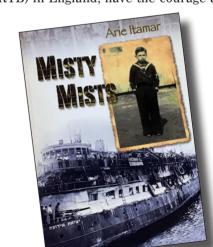
"Though I am 85, I decided that any terrorist who tried to take my life would pay a high price"

derers did not want to see the brains of babies. It was too much for their stomachs. So they shot their victims with guns, from a certain distance. It is for you to decide for yourself which pogrom you find more terrible.

These heinous acts are the fault line between the ultimate cruelty and humanity, just as the events of the Nazi era were. There is no place for phrases such as: "I am against, but..."; no room for justification; no space for hypocritical, superficial expressions like "Free Palestine!" And who would control this Palestine? The same murderers?

We have an expression in Hebrew: "Tell me who your friend is and I will tell you who you are", which puts all the European organisations supporting Hamas, all Western hypocrites and antisemites in the same camp as North Korea,

are standing with us in our time of crisis. They are heroes, but are unfortunately in the minority. The antisemites are the majority. Organisations like March of Life in Germany, and Repairing the Breach (RTB) in England, have the courage and



The cover of Dr Itamar's book recounting his childhood escape from war torn Europe, his journey on the Exodus ship, and eventual arrival in the Promised Land

the honesty to expose and dispose of 2000 years of antisemitic education. But the hypocrites, the so called "lefties, greens, progressives" and so on, have no courage. They tell themselves that they "are not against Jews, just against Israel ..."

What are we to do? I was a refugee who finally arrived here; participated in several wars, hoping that my children would have a normal life; but the terrible hate does not leave us alone, and my grand-children have to fight.

But we have no other place in all the world. This is our place, and anybody who tries to uproot us will pay a heavy price.



BROKEN-HEARTED BUT RESOLUTE,

Gidon and Aliza Ramati fled persecution in Europe and Syria to reach Israel 80 years ago. Now Gidon has written an open letter about the challenge of seeing their grandchildren called up to fight for their country – and volunteering on the home front

ll of us are going through difficult days and we are all volunteering as much as we can.

Our hearts are broken to see the babies, the elderly, Holocaust survivors, the boys and the girls who were murdered, those whose heads were torn off and those who were raped and kidnapped at the hands of the terrorists. We must bring all the captives back home, whatever situation they are in.

Our hearts are anxious regarding the fate of our warriors at the front, those who are endangering their lives in order to protect our little nation and be victo-

"Our hearts are anxious regarding the fate of our warriors at the front"

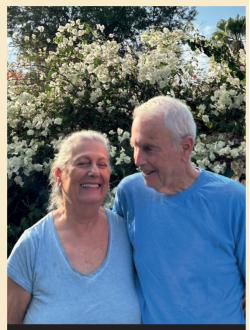
I came to the Atlit Detention camp [set up in northern Israel after World War 2 by the British to house would-be Jewish immigrants who had survived the Holocaust in Europe] after severe shakings on the ship 'Atlantic' and I am also a survivor of the Patria ship, which was bombed on 25 November 1940, when I was just three months old.

Aliza, my wife, came to Israel with the 'Aliyat HaElef' (Aliyah of the Thousand) from Damascus, Syria, in 1945, via difficult and dangerous paths, when she, her brothers and her parents escaped from the pogroms there.

When our parents fought in the War of Independence, we children were evacuated to safer locations due to heavy



Gidon and Aliza Ramati with one of their granddaughters, Roni, whose father is fighting in the IDF, along with two of their grandsons. The photo comes from Aliza Ramati's book



Gidon and Aliza Ramati at the Ships Memorial on Tel Aviv Beach

battles taking place at Kibbutz Gvar'am. We raised our three children here and together we participated in battles and wars in our small country.

Today our grandchildren are fighting both in Gaza and in the north. We are say-

ing prayers for their safe return home.

We are helping with the olive harvest at our son Yoav's place, who lives close to the border with the Gaza Strip. Aliza is also volunteering in the dining room at the Ben Shemen Youth Village where they have taken in a lot of evacuees from Ashkelon and from Kiryat Shmona, who suffered a lot of shelling and were left

"As survivors, we are turning now to the whole world, pray for us"

Aliza is also volunteering at a school and a kindergarten. Those of our grandchildren who have not been called up to the army are volunteering, giving water to calves in the barn and going to collection points for dogs who escaped from the south to re-home them with adoptive

As survivors, we are turning now to the whole world, pray for us. Your prayers strengthen the soldiers and the home front. Your actions and your donations assist us in building everything anew.

It is certain that we will succeed, and eventually Israel will once again be the nation that is a light to the gentiles.

This letter was written on 30 October 2023. Aliza has written a book, 'Where Are You My Child', about her husband Gidon's escape from Europe and entry to Israel from one of the ships that ran the British blockade. It is available for a donation from nachamuami@btinternet.com

NEVER AGAIN...

ELDERLY HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS ARE THE SHOCKING HELPING HOWEVER THEY CAN HAMAS' SLAUGHT

by Andrew Halloway

he horrors of what actually took place when Hamas invaded Israel on 7 October are still emerging.

It was widely reported that over 4,600 Israelis were injured and more than 1.400 were killed, but some of the most gruesome details of the massacre of civilians have not been shown on mainstream

Mike Evans of the Jerusalem Prayer Team reports that in one village alone 180 people were killed and 80 per cent of them were tortured before they died. In one house, terrorists ate the Shabbat meal before killing the children in front of the parents.



Seen in happier times, Doron's husband Yoni was at home in central Israel while his wife took their daughters to visit their grandmother



Raz, five and Aviv, three, in their grandmother's safe room moments before they, along with their mother Doron, were snatched by terrorists

According to the Christian Post, when first responder Eli Beer initially told others what he had witnessed as he arrived on the scene, he was met with mockery and jokes on social media -such was the disbelief.

Beer is a paramedic and founder of the medical volunteer group United Hatza-lah, which has been helping victims of the Israel-Hamas war. During a speech in the US on 30 October, Beer said he wept at the barbarity, even though his job has made him well used to injuries and death.

Beer recalls seeing a dead baby that had been burned in an oven by Hamas. He also found a pregnant woman whose stomach had been cut open to tear her baby out. The baby was stabbed and then the woman was slaughtered in front of her family.

He also saw beheaded children: "We didn't know which head belongs to which

It was only after Israel released footage from the videos taken by Hamas terrorists themselves that the world's journalists began to believe the atrocities. According to AP News, that footage



Yoni Asher, whose wife Doron and two young daughters (left) were kidnapped by Hamas, speaks at the European Union. His wife's mother, Efrat Katz, has been found dead. Her partner, Gadi Mozes, also abducted, is missing.



Lior Peri, whose 79-year-old father Chaim was kidnapped by Hamas



Rescued soldier Ori Megidish is back with her family, after a daring commando raid by an elite unit dressed as Arabs stormed the apartment where she was held. Her mother, Margalit, who had led fervent prayer, said: "Thank you, creator of the world. There is nothing besides you. Thank you, Shin Bet [Israel Security Agency]. Thank you, IDF and security forces."

TRUTH ABOUT TER OF CIVILIANS



murdered over 80% of residents



includes a burnt baby, the beheading of a body and burnt bodies being thrown in a truck.

Two of the captured terrorists confess

And it is clear that this barbarity was not the work of a few 'rogue' Hamas individuals. It was the clear intention of Hamas to kill as many as possible. A captured Hamas attacker has admitted that not only was he ordered to kill everyone, including women and children, he was also given permission to rape a dead girl.

Terrorists also told investigators that they were told to kill babies and young children – and were further given spe-cial dispensation within Islamic law – because they would grow up to become IDF soldiers. The terrorists were split up into groups and given specific tasks. They would not be told what other groups were doing to avoid the possibility of betraying Hamas' master plan if captured.

When US Secretary of State Antony Blinken was given access to film of the civilians killed by Hamas, he described

He wept at the barbarity, even though his job has made him well used to injuries and death

the scenes as "depravity in the worst imaginable way...It's beyond what anyone would ever want to imagine, much less actually see and, God forbid, experience. A baby, an infant, riddled with bullets. Soldiers beheaded. Young people burned alive in their cars or in their hideaway rooms.

According to CNN, Hamas denies beheading children or murdering women. A senior spokesman for the group, Izzat al-Risheq, described the accusations as "fabricated and baseless allegations"



Γhe Regevs await news of their son Itay, 18, and daughter Maya, 21

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Ammunition and suicide vests found

Rocket launcher in scout troop room

Hamas media consultant Taher El-Nounou told the paper. "I hope that the state of war with Israel will become

Hamas terrorist captured after the October massacre admitted that the group uses ambulances to evacuate fighters: "Al-Qassam have their own ambulances, some of which are located on military bases. The ambulances look like civilian ambulances so they don't arouse suspicions and are not attacked by Israel.

"During the fighting, the ambulances are used for things including evacuated wounded fighters. They are also used to deliver food, IEDs and weapons because it is a secure way to transfer those things.



giving evidence

THE 'JIHAD' DRUG THAT **TURNS MEN INTO COLD-BLOODED KILLERS**

A powerful drug was found in the pockets of Hamas terrorists who participated in the attack against Israel



Hamas hiding drugs in fruit

A drug that makes fighters hyperactive and more merciless was reportedly found in the pockets of dead or captured Hamas terrorists . who attacked Israel's communities.

Bible teacher Amir Tsarfati reported that the drug, Captagon, called the "Jihad drug" was also used by Isis terrorists.

Captagon is an amphetamine (a stimulant drug that acts on the neurotransmitters) originally created in the 1960s in Germany to combat ADHD (attention deficit hyperactivity disorder) and nar-colepsy (sleeping disorder), while stimulating the central nervous system.

Most countries stopped using Captagon in 1986 due to its addictive properties and negative effects. But its popularity remains strong in the Middle East despite the drug being banned by Middle Eastern governments.

It is said to 'break' users mentally, making them more obedient and more addicted. It is given in particular before operations because it makes men more hyperactive, more cruel and merciless.

Irina Zuckerman, a geopolitical analyst, says that terrorist organisations use the drug to control the fighters.

"The main function of the drug is to increase the willingness to fight. And you can even see it from watching some of these terrorists, from their videos that they took with their body cameras. they seemed much more alert, and much more hyperactive."

Terrorist organisations such as Hezbollah produce Captagon cheaply and easily and smuggle it through different ports. Experts believe most production takes place in Syria, where Captagon exports were estimated to be worth \$3.5 billion

"IF IT WASN'T FOR ISRAEL, I'D HAVE BEEN **HERDING SHEEP**"



An Arab Bedouin Israeli, Sophia Shramko, has slammed the apartheid

slur directed against Israeli society.

Speaking to the media, she emphasised the transformative impact of İsrael on her life.

"If not for Israel I would probably be illiterate, penniless, herding sheep. But I have an electrical engineering degree, I have a masters from Stanford University, and I have my rights to live my life the way I wanted to live it.

Q&A ON ISRAEL'S TREATMENT OF GAZA



Andrew Tucker of thinc (The Hague Initiative for International Co-operation), has hosted several webinars with international experts to explain the application of international humanitarian law (IHL) to the humanitarian crisis in Gaza

Q. Is Israel's bombardment of Gaza allowed by international law?

A. Article 51 of the UN charter says that a state has the right to self-defence when it suffers an armed attack. The right to defend itself is not limited to the state's own territory and so the IDF can pursue Hamas within the Gaza Strip. Israel is allowed to attack military infrastructure that Hamas has deliberately installed under schools and hospitals.

Q. Why are so many civilians being killed?

A. Evacuating civilians is the defending power's responsibility. Israel has been telling civilians to evacuate to the south of Gaza; this is 'effective advance warning' – defined by international law. Both preventing evacuations and using human bodies as shields are war crimes.

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE 'OCCUPATION'

Q. Is Gaza occupied territory?

A. The Gaza Strip is not occupied territory. Israel withdrew its civilians and military from Gaza in 2005. The blockade that has been in place since Hamas was democratically elected as government in 2007 does not constitute occupation. This means that Israel is not subject to the humanitarian obligations applicable to occupying powers under IHL (international humanitarian law).

Q. Why are supplies being blocked?

A. Israel is entitled to prevent supplies coming in via Rafah Gate if it reasonably believes they will be misused by Hamas.

SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY AND WATER

Q. Why are there shortages of electricity and water?

A. Hamas sees providing utilities and essentials as the responsibility of Israel and the UN.

Israel was/is not obliged to provide water or electricity to Gaza. Israel was providing 50% of Gaza's electricity, which the Palestinian National Authority refuses to pay for because they don't want to acknowledge Hamas, so Israel has been writing off the bill. The ten big pipes used for electricity often get damaged by rocket fire which Israel then repairs. After 7 October, Israel declined to repair the pipes.

Hamas have also filmed themselves digging up water pipes to turn into rockets as quoted by Foreign Office Minister Andrew Mitchell.

Q. Surely it's wrong to put a whole population under siege?

A. The 'siege' imposed by Israel after the horrendous 7 October attack was entirely legitimate. Sieges are a legitimate form of warfare, provided they are not intended to starve the civilian population. Israel's siege was intended to prevent Hamas from carrying out unlawful aggression.

Q. Where does Gaza get its water and fuel from and why are hospitals short of fuel?

A Israel provides just 10% of the water in Gaza which it stopped after the massacres but has since reconnected. Hamas has 1.5m litres of diesel which it's refusing to give to the hospitals because Hamas say they need it for themselves – for rockets and lighting tunnels. Diesel is needed for water purification plants as the majority of water drilled from local aquifers is contaminated with sewage, because Gazans drill into the aquifers and sell water to their neighbours.

Before the 7 October attack, Israel's government had approved measures which would enable Gaza to be less dependent on their help. This was to help Gaza reach its potential.

Q. Do Gazans support Hamas?

A. Maybe as a military but not as a government. Hamas kills LGBT people, women who don't dress right and other Muslims who aren't the right type of Muslim.

PROPORTIONALITY AND TARGETING IN THE HAMAS-ISRAEL WAR

Q. Surely Israel is inflicting collective punishment?

A. According to the Statute of the International Criminal Court, collective punishment is when operations are intended to inflict punishment on civilians for something they're not responsible for. When you're fighting an enemy that embeds itself among civilians, it is inevitable that combat is going to result in collective suffering. But that is not collective punishment.

HOSPITALS AND THE DEBATE OVER EVACUATION

Q. Why does the IDF want patients to leave Gaza hospitals?

A. Under IHL or the law of armed conflict, a hospital or medical facility, fixed or mobile, is the most protected thing on the battlefield. It is protected unless it's being used in a manner that is harmful by the enemy, contrary to its exclusively humanitarian function. Then there's an obligation to warn the enemy to stop that misuse and give them a reasonable time to comply.

It takes maybe a day to stop using a hospital as a storage facility for weapons. Afterwards, under the law, the hospital loses its protection from an attack. But it still remains a civilian object, and the individuals inside are still considered civilians. This necessitates taking all feasible precautions to minimise the risk to civilians during the operation.

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This photo released on 16 November shows weapons found in Shifa Hospital by the IDF



Prime Minister Golda Meir said, "From 1921 to 1948 (when the modern state of Israel was voted for by the UN), I was a Palestinian"

In 1922, 'The Palestine Post' was a Jewish newspaper, which later became The Jerusalem Post.

When modern Israel was founded in 1948 to provide a home for Holocaust survivors, it absorbed around 750,000 Jews expelled from surrounding nations such as Egypt. But when an equivalent number of Muslims living in the land were encouraged to flee by the invading Arab armies, they were not welcomed in the surrounding Arab nations.

The term 'Palestinian' was adopted by Yassir Arafat in 1967 to exclusively identify non-Israeli Arabs. In the past few years, Christians in Israel have called themselves 'Arameans'.

WHERE ARE ALL THE BODIES?

The numbers of Gaza deaths don't add up

Deaths in Gaza, as reported by mainstream media, are exclusively attributed to IDF strikes, because Hamas controls the Palestinian Ministry of Health (PMH) in Gaza.

And according to an Israeli expert, there are no reports of Hamas' casualties

because these numbers are disguised as civilian casualties.

Prof Kobi Michael, a senior researcher at the Institute for National Security Studies at Tel Aviv University, explains that with Hamas controlling the numbers given out, half of the reported numbers of Palestinian casualties are in fact Hamas members.

The PMH reported more than 13,000 Palestinians are dead and 30,000 wounded, despite there being no more than 3,000 hospital beds in the whole of Gaza. Prof Michael queries where the wounded have been placed and the dead buried.

Prof Michael also claims that Israel's strict adherence to the international laws of war means the actual civilian casualty numbers are low.



PERSECUTION WATCH

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by Andrew Halloway

MYANMAR

CHRISTIANS ACCUSE GOVERNMENT OF WAR CRIMES

ive Christian victims of persecution by the military dictatorship in Myanmar are pleading their case in a Philippines court.

Churches and houses have been destroyed, people killed and their bodies mutilated

The Christians accuse Myanmar's army of war crimes mainly in the Chin State, where churches and houses have been destroyed, people killed and their bodies mutilated.

International Christian Concern (ICC) reports that, since the 2021 coup, the military junta has targeted Christians and attacked the Chin State because it is more than 85 per cent Christian.

We pray that our brothers and sisters in the Philippines will hear our cry

Salai Ling, victims, stated: "Pastors are being murdered and churches and faithbased schools are being destroyed



in a systematic campaign by junta forces... we pray that our brothers and sisters in the Philippines will hear our cry and grant us justice.

NORTH KOREA

DOCUMENTARY FOLLOWS CHRISTIAN FAMILY'S DARING ESCAPE

film showing how a North Korean Christian family escaped from barbaric persecution



in the country has been hailed by The Guardian and recommended by Christian charity Open Doors.

'Beyond Premier reports that 'Beyond Utopia', directed by Madeleine Gavin, has won awards at film festivals across the globe and has four nominations for the Critics' Choice Documentary Awards, including Best Feature.

The film includes the family's own footage as they made their way to South Korea by hiding in safe houses and even travelling on an underground railway, with the help of South Korean pastor Kim Sung-

Open Doors representative said that Pastor Kim has helped 1,000 North Koreans escape.

NIGERIA

SLAUGHTER CONTINUES

lthough some sources say the attacks on Christians in Nigeria have eased in recent months, deaths and kidnappings are occurring.

Morning Star News reports that in one month (October), 16 Christians were murdered in Benue State alone. Fulani herdsmen and other terrorists were responsible.

Nigeria's government continues to deny this is religious persecution

Open Doors' 2023 World Watch List reports that this year "has seen this violence spill over into the Christianmajority south of the nation... Nigeria's government continues to deny this is religious persecution, so violations of Christians' rights are carried out with

In Kaduna State, a Christian student was abducted and forced to convert to Islam by Kaduna State University



staff, according to Morning Star News. Dorcas Adedayo Adekanola, 20, is still

Leaders of Campus Mission Watch say Dorcas "has not been allowed to have any contact with her parents or other Christians on campus. This development has created fear in Christians on KASU campus."

SPAIN

PRO-ABORTION PROTESTORS ATTACK CHURCH

filed hristian lawyers complaint against a pro-abortion organisation in October, after members of the group vandalised a Barcelona church and harassed people attending the church.

They taunted those who were attending Mass

that members of the Association of Sexual and Reproductive Rights sprayed offensive graffiti on the walls of the Santa María del Remei Church and taunted those who were attending

The lawyers say the slogans painted on the walls included statements such as "(piece of) trash church you are a dictatorship" and "abuser priests prohibit abortion".



The Barcelona church attack pictured on the X (Twitter) account of pro-abortion group L'Associació de Drets Sexuals i Reproductius



PERSECUTION WATCH continued

INDIA

TWO ORGANISATIONS INVESTIGATE RISE IN PERSECUTION

Violence against Christians in India is on the rise, as Hindu nationalism grows and anticonversion laws are being used against Christians.

However, two investigations into religious persecution have been set up. The United States Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) and the Indian government's own Minorities Commission are both assessing the situation for religious minorities.

Congregations have had their buildings ransacked and destroyed

Since 2020, USCIRF has repeatedly urged the US to designate India as a country of particular concern, but church leaders do not believe the Indian Minorities Commission will achieve much. The United Christian Forum (UCF) has found that there are no Christians on the Commission's panel.

The UCF says persecution has risen more than 45 per cent from 2022 to 2023.

The Forum blames the anti-conversion laws that have been passed in nearly 40 per cent of India's 28 states. The government's nationalist BJP party is in charge in most of the states and UCF traces the rise in persecution back to the beginning of Premier Narendra Modi's rule in 2014.

Human Rights Watch agrees: "Over



Persecution increased after Premier Narendra Modi came to power in 2014

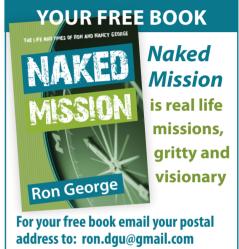


the last decade there has been an undeniable increase in the number and frequency of attacks against religious minorities in India, especially Muslims and Christians."

UK-based Release International reports that "anti-conversion laws supposedly target conversion by force or allurement. But the loose wording means any kind of charitable work could be considered a form of bribery. Congregations accused of forced conversion have had their buildings ransacked and property destroyed."

One of the worst offending states is Uttar Pradesh, although the High Court in Allahabad recently came to the defence of Christians accused by Uttar Pradesh authorities. In September, the High Court ruled that Christians have a right to share their beliefs, give away Bibles and educate children. It also granted bail to Christians who were alleged to have disobeyed the anti-conversion law.

Release International welcomed the High Court's decision and said they would be "looking for it to take effect throughout the state" and "we hope that other states will now review and reconsider their own anticonversion laws."



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ARE YOU STILL A CONVERT OR A DISCIPLE?

Do new church attendees really understand what praying the salvation prayer means for their lives?

BY TIM AND TOPE PEARSON

e have known people who put up their hand or came forward for an altar call, but never let it change their lives.

They attended church services, joined house groups but still had both feet in the world. This is why proper discipleship is so important.

Silence is crucial for hearing God's whispers of comfort and direction

We believe that all religions other than Judaism and Christianity are false. Those we disciple, who come from other religions, can be gently challenged with relevant Scriptures and by friendships with mature Christians who can 'love them into the Kingdom'.

Seeking God, or an easy life?

The first step for any new or recommitted Christian is to establish a personal relationship with God, spending time getting to know the God who loves you and Jesus who died for you. You also need to be filled with the Holy Spirit, the One who intercedes and communicates with you. Subsequently, you will need help establishing a routine that takes you on this journey.

Is Jesus really the only way to heaven?

We have spent years on the streets reaching out to people with the Gospel and have met many who believe in a God of works. They say, "I am a good person. I have not stolen, hurt, or killed anyone, so I should go to heaven.

Other religions that believe in earning salvation deny Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross. If there was another way, what was the point of our Saviour's death and resurrection?

This is the foundational cornerstone of faith for all Christians: Jesus is the way, the truth and the life and no-one comes to the Father, except though him (John 14:6).

Knowing how to pray

Communicating with God through prayer can be rather daunting for a new believer.

Tope says: "When I was first saved, a few women of God studied the Bible with me. I froze when asked to pray out loud and I could not imagine praying for five minutes. I thought I would run out of words! Now I could easily go on for five hours every day in God's presence (Psalm 91:1-2). The only issue is, I have to work!"

Tim says: "After I became a Christian,



aged 34, I struggled with the relationship with my heavenly Father because my relationship with my earthly father was not good.

"I struggled with the relationship with my heavenly Father because my relationship with my earthly father was not good"

But when I was filled with the Holy Spirit, it completely changed my relationship and prayer life. I now have direct and close communication with the God who loves me deeply, who saw me in my mother's womb and who knows when I sit and when I rise (Psalm 139). Now prayer is a two-way conversation and it's a joy to be in his presence."

It is important to teach people that prayer is a two-way communication with our heavenly Creator. Many Christians miss the listening part of communicating with God; silence is crucial to hear God's whispers of comfort and direction.

How about a new year's resolution to make sure you - or your new church members - become a disciple and don't remain a convert?

Tim and Tope Pearson are co-founders of Equipping the Saints Ministries (ETS), which equips mature believers to walk confidently alongside a new convert, or help those who need to grow in their faith journey. Find out more at etsministries.org.uk or call 01733 230 769



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Coming financial crash

The prophetic warning from Pastor Chris Wickland about the coming financial crash (Oct/Nov 2023) and God's judgement reminded me of a similar prophecy given 34 years ago by Edward English, a New Zealander.

He said a great economic crash was coming to Britain, the NHS would eventually cease to exist and the only places providing healing would be churches.

Edward saw huge crowds queuing outside churches, with people only able to get in when someone else came out. Inside there were two sections: in the first section, people were prayed for and miraculously healed, then in the other section they received Christ as Saviour.

He said that a new breed of church ministers would be raised up, to cope with the pressure.

Roger Nutton Chelmsford, Essex

Church must make its mind up

I write regarding Paul Ursell's one line comment about Israel's apparent racism against the Palestinians (Letters, Oct/Nov 2023).

Although Israel is often accused of apartheid, it bears no relation to the

apartheid that used to exist in South Africa. Yes, Israel has built a security fence/wall to prevent Palestinian suicide bombers from entering Israel and this has reduced such bombings by 98%. Apart from that, Israelis and Arabs are free to mix without restriction.

Despite the negativity surrounding Israel, it is a fact that the Christian Church is supported by Jewish roots, not least because they were the vehicle that God used to give us our Bibles and our Saviour.

For those reasons alone, the Church has a great debt to the Jews and I am very sure that it is never a good thing to curse our roots.

Israel has been preserved and restored for a purpose and that purpose involves the day when as the apostle Paul says: "...all Israel shall be saved..." (Romans 11.26)

In the meantime, if we don't align with Israel according to what the Bible teaches, there is a danger that we will by default fall into the hands of Islamic ideology, which most definitely wants to eradicate Israel from the map.

With current events in Israel, it seems to me that the Church needs to make its mind up as to where it stands in regard to God's end time plans for Israel.

Mervyn Tilley (Rev) Romford, Essex

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Shedding of innocent blood

It is absolutely heartbreaking to think that in the United Kingdom, since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act, over ten million precious babies have been aborted

We are living in the "last hour" (1 John 2:18) and the Lord is calling us to whole-hearted repentance for the shedding of innocent blood. I believe he is saying: "Repent, repent, repent."

The Lord also laid on my heart to write a letter calling for his Bride to repent. Please feel free to contact me if you would like to see it: michelle.beckett@ cbruk.org

Michelle Beckett Harrogate, North Yorkshire

How long will we aid and abet murder?

I was saddened by Rev Elaine Glover's hospital experience over her mother who was left to die, isolated and starved of vital life-giving liquids and sustenance (Letters, Oct/Nov 2023).

One has to ask: how long should we put up with the taking of life through deliberate and unnatural means? One of the ten commandments is "Thou shalt not kill" (Exodus 20:13)!

Countless babies are still being aborted and their tiny body parts used in medical science. God is not pleased! Each little life has a pulsing heart, a spirit and a soul. When Elizabeth heard the salutation of her cousin Mary, who was pregnant with our Saviour Jesus, her baby (John the Baptist), "leaped in her womb" (Luke 1:41).

Valerie A Vince Havant, Hampshire

Kicked out of libraries for wearing the truth

I have been kicked out of every Liverpool library for wearing a Christian sweatshirt which read: "Jesus Christ made Adam and Eve. Jesus Christ did not make Adam and Steve", and also "And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life" (Revelation 21:27).

The woman who kicked me out of all the libraries believes that I am the only one holding this Christian opinion.

Joshua A Priestly Liverpool

Christmas won't be Christmas...

One British TV channel has pointed out that some television adverts have removed the word Christmas and are calling it a 'festive holiday'. Therefore to ensure that Christmas is recognised as a Christian festival celebrating the birth of Jesus, we could send Christmas cards with a Christian theme (not just a snowman!) and put a nativity scene (preferably lit up) in our front window for passers-by to see.

We could also give children we know a Christian advent calendar. I'd be interested to know other readers' ideas.

Ann Wills Ruislip, Middlesex

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He and his wife Joan had already been married for 19 years before they became Christians. "I was on the verge of suicide," he recalls. "I just called out to God – and he rescued me. My wife got saved a few days later."

Soon Les was given a New Testament and read in Mark 16 that believers should lay hands on the sick. As Joan suffered from painful sinusitis, he simply laid his hands on her head – and within an hour the pain had gone.

With the evidence of a healed wife before him, Les decided he'd believe the Bible. A key book was 'Christ the Healer' by FF Bosworth. Les has written several booklets on healing himself, including 'Chemotherapy: the truth behind it'.

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Green fundamentalism: a new religion?

"Saving the planet" - the clarion call echoing from classrooms to boardrooms - is being used to brainwash us into embracing a new religion of green fundamentalism.

Based on pseudo-science, it is actually revived earth worship. For example, the secular 'Ark of Hope', which parodies the biblical Ark of the Covenant, houses a copy of the Earth Charter - a document with 16 principles, organised under four pillars

Launched in 2000, the Charter "reflects universal spiritual values... It serves as a universal code of conduct for world citizens.'

It was promoted by the Earth Council and provides pantheistic religious values to match the future pantheistic world government. This world government's alleged purpose will be to protect the earth at all costs.

One day, I believe, even pastors will have to subscribe to its pantheistic mandates.

Unsurprisingly, the Charter's commission was co-chaired by former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and Maurice Strong, the Canadian socialist millionaire who is credited with inventing 'climate change'

Green propaganda is being used to set up a totalitarian world government which will restrict everything from our movements to our diets. Bill Gates thinks that moving away from meat consumption is good for the planet, but I wonder how many insect burgers Gates consumes? He is, incidentally, the biggest owner of farmland in America.

The antidote to all this is the pure truth in the Bible. My wife and I wrote our book, 'Cults and Isms, True or False?' (thefreepressonline.co.uk) to help expose the lies of the new 'green religion'. We hope

Alan Franklin

every true Christian realises that this is the age of deception which Jesus warned us about.

Alan Franklin Fleet, Hampshire

DAILY WOR

BY MICHAEL FARKAS OF PRAYERCHAIR

Jesus changes us from the inside out

"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer" (Psalm 19:14).

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He restores broken relationships and helps us to make wise decisions in terms of the people we spend time with. Jesus becomes our peace regardless of what's going on in our life so that what flows out of us will reflect what God has been doing inside of us.

Praise God today that as we trust him and allow him to have his way, we'll be filled with his peace that will fill our thoughts and words with the best that God has for us. Prayerchair.

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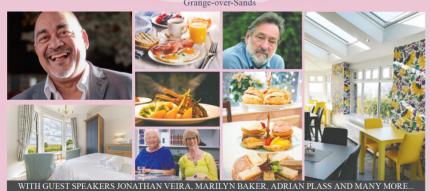
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News you won't hear on the mainstream media

HEALTH WATCH

PIERCING THE VEIL OF SILENCE OVER EXCESS DEATHS

ANDREW BRIDGEN SPEAKS OUT

By Sonia Elijah

round the world, there has been a deafening silence over excess deaths from governments and the mainstream media, who not so long ago were quite fixated on the daily death toll for Covid.

On 20 October, a 30-minute adjourned debate on excess deaths in the UK House of Commons was finally secured by Andrew Bridgen, MP for North West Leicestershire and member of the Reclaim Party. (Bridgen was expelled from the Conservative party for quoting a cardiologist who called the Covid vaccines a crime against humanity on a par with the Holocaust and has continued to draw attention to vaccine outcomes.)

As Bridgen began his speech, cheers erupted from the packed public gallery, in stark contrast to the almost empty chamber below.

Where were the hundreds of MPs who would normally sit shoulder to shoulder in the chamber? It appears an increase in deaths of their constituents was not a pressing issue for them on that Friday afternoon.

Strikingly, excess deaths have been seen across all age groups, which Bridgen pointed out during his speech. He said, "We've experienced more excess deaths since July 2021 than in the whole of 2020. However, unlike during the pandemic, these deaths are not disproportionately among the old; in other words, the excess deaths are striking down people in the prime of life – but no-one seems to care. I fear history will not judge this house kindly."

Excess deaths have been seen across all age groups

According to the British Medical Journal, "Excess deaths are calculated as the difference between current numbers of deaths and those in a baseline year, and the excess can differ depending on the baseline and methodology used."

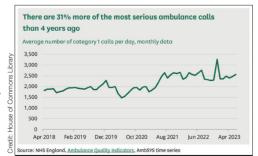
This important point on how the excess can differ depending on the baseline used, was raised by Bridgen. "To understand if there is an 'excess' by definition, you need to estimate how many deaths would have been expected. The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development used 2015-2019 as a baseline... Unforgivably, the UK ONS (Office for National Statistics) have included deaths in 2021, as part of their baseline calculation for expected deaths – as if there was anything normal about the deaths in 2021 – by exaggerating the number of deaths expected, the number of excess deaths can be minimised. Why would the ONS want do that?"

A co-authored paper by Norman Fenton, Professor of Risk Management at London's Queen Mary University, revealed how the ONS had also been manipulating the data on deaths involving Covid-19 by vaccination status. The paper concluded that the ONS was guilty of 'systematic mis-categorisation of vaccine status' and that the Covid-19 vaccines did not reduce all-cause mortality, but rather produced genuine spikes in all-cause mortality shortly after vaccination.

The ONS had been manipulating the data on deaths involving Covid-19 by vaccination status

Bridgen went on to highlight a critical failure in how data on deaths are being collected. "There is a total failure to collect data on deaths that are referred for investigation to the coroner. Why does this matter? A referral means that it can be many months and, given the backlog, many years, before a death is formally registered. Needing to investigate a cause of death is fair enough. Failing to record when the death happened is not. Because of this problem, we actually have no idea how many people died in 2021, even now. The problem is greatest for the younger age groups, where a higher proportion of deaths are investigated. This data failure is unacceptable.

He also drew attention to the fact that in a judicial review on a decision to vaccinate younger children, the ONS shockingly refused in court to give an-



Category 1 ambulance calls are an immediate response to a lifethreatening condition, such as cardiac or respiratory arrest. From NHS key statistics: England, July 2023

onymised, statistically significant details on the increase in excess deaths for young adult males observed in the second half of 2021. Bridgen made the point that potentially even more excess deaths would have been observed, if those referred to the coroner had been included.

In August 2023, 15 EU Member States recorded excess deaths. The highest



NHS guidance states vaccines do not cause autism, there is no evidence of a link between the MMR vaccine and autism

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TRENDS IN EXCESS DEATHS DEBATE

20 OCT HOUSE OF COMMONS

BBC inserts live captions to counter Andrew Bridgen during the 'trends in excess deaths' debate in the House of Commons

rates were observed in Ireland (21.1%), Malta (16.9%), Portugal (12.7%) and the Netherlands (9.4%), according to Eurostat. As of January 2023, Portugal had the highest Covid-19 vaccination rate in Europe having administered 272.78 doses per 100 people in the country, while Malta had administered 258.49 doses per 100 people.

Bridgen stated that Dr Clare Craig, diagnostic pathologist and co-chair of HART (Health Advisory and Recovery Trust, set up by British medics and scientists to protect independent science during the Covid crisis), was the first to highlight the increase in cardiac arrest calls after the vaccine rollout in May 2021. He said: "Ambulance data for England provides another clue. Ambulance calls for life-threatening emergencies were running at a steady 2,000 calls per day until the vaccine rollout. From then they rose to 2,500 daily, and calls have stayed at that level since."

Turning to international evidence, Bridgen reported: "An Israeli study clearly showed an increase in cardiac hospital attendances among 18-39-year-olds that correlated with vaccination, not Covid."

He also explained that Australia was the perfect control group as it had almost no Covid when vaccines were introduced. "The state of South Australia had only had 1,000 cases of Covid in total across the whole population by December 2021, before [the variant] Omicron arrived. What was the impact of vaccination there? For 15-44-year-olds, there were historically around 1,300 emergency cardiac presentations a month. With

the vaccine roll-out to the under 50s, this rocketed, reaching 2,172 cases in November 2021 in this age group alone, which was 67% more than usual.

"Overall there were 17,900 South Australians who had a cardiac emergency in 2021, compared to 13,250 in 2018, a 35% increase. The vaccine must clearly be the number one suspect in this, and it cannot be dismissed as a coincidence. Australian mortality has increased from early 2021 and that increase is due to cardiac deaths.

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'The regulators also missed the fact that in the Pfizer trial the vaccine was made for the trial participants in a highly controlled environment, in stark contrast to the manufacturing process used for the public - which was based on completely different technology. Just over 200 participants were given the same product that was given to the public, but not only was the data from these people never compared to those in the trial for efficacy and safety, but the MHRA (Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency) has admitted that it dropped the requirement to provide this data. That means there was never a trial of the Pfizer product actually rolled out to the public, and that product has never even been compared to the product that was actually trialled.

 $\hbox{``The vaccine mass production processes}\\$

HEALTH WATCH

use vats of Escherichia Coli and present a risk of contamination with DNA from the bacteria, as well as bacterial cell walls, which can cause dangerous reactions. This is not theoretical; there is now sound evidence that has been replicated by several labs across the world, that the mRNA vaccines were contaminated by significant amounts of DNA which far exceeded the usual permissible levels. Given that this DNA is enclosed in a lipid nanoparticle delivery system, it is arguable that even the permissible levels would have been too high.

"These lipid nanoparticles are known to enter every organ of the body. As well as this potentially causing some of the acute adverse reactions that have been seen, there is a serious risk of this foreign bacterial DNA inserting itself into human DNA. Will anyone investigate? No they won't."

How ironic that the BBC has chosen to remain utterly silent on the issue of excess deaths, despite its daily coverage of the Covid death toll.

Many viewers of Bridgen's speech took to social media to draw attention to the fact that the BBC plastered the debate with its own captions, in an attempt to contradict what the MP was saying.

One caption read: "The NHS says

One caption read: "The NHS says Covid-19 vaccines used in the UK are safe and the best protection from getting seriously ill with the disease".

What is interesting is that Bridgen did not mention vaccines and autism during his debate, but this did not stop the BBC from inserting the caption: "NHS guidance states vaccines do not cause autism, there is no evidence of a link between MMR vaccine and autism".

The BBC plastered the debate with its own captions in an attempt to contradict the MP

It must be noted that the BBC helms the Trusted News Initiative, set up in 2019 to combat 'anti-vax misinformation' in real-time. Therefore, its collaboration with Facebook to censor stories on vaccine harms and the lack of any coverage on excess deaths and the more recent captioning of Bridgen's speech, show just how effectively it has executed that role.

Andrew Bridgen closed the debate by stating: "The experimental Covid-19 vaccines are not safe and are not effective. Despite there being only limited interest in the chamber from colleagues - I am very grateful to those who have attended - we can see from the public gallery that there is considerable public interest. I implore all members of the house, those who are present and those who are not, to support calls for a three-hour debate on this important issue. Mr Deputy Speaker, this might be the first debate on excess deaths in our Parliament - indeed, it might be the first debate on excess deaths in the world – but, very sadly, I promise you it will not be the last.'



Sonia Elijah has a background in Economics. A former BBC researcher, she now works as an investigative journalist

HEART MUSCLE CONTAINS COVID-19



Dr Peter McCullough has been calling for Covid jabs to be halted

Dr Peter McCullough reported on 3 November that people "are walking around with Covid-19 vaccine in their heart muscle."

Speaking to Real America's Voice, he said, "We're seeing a disturbing continued trend of cardiac arrests in people who have taken the vaccine." Dr McCullough, a leading cardio-renal expert, highlighted a study from Dr Aram Krauson, which found mRNA in the hearts of people who died following a Covid-19 injection. Another study by Dr Rolf Shreckenberg showed that Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are toxic to heart muscle cells as "mRNA forces...cells to produce a foreign protein." Dr McCullough concluded that the vaccines "should be off the market completely."

200 BILLION PIECES OF DNA IN PFIZER VACCINE

Biochemist and molecular biologist Dr Phillip Buckhaults testified to the South Carolina Senate on 12 September that in each dose of the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine there are around 200 billion pieces of plasmid DNA.

He said: "The Pfizer vaccine is contaminated with plasmid DNA. It's not just mRNA...it becomes a permanent fixture."

Dr Buckhaults recommended that vaccinated people be tested for plasmid DNA integrating into their genomes. "[The DNA] leaves a calling card. [If] you find it in stem cells it's equivalent to finding a certain type of lead in someone who is dead, it's pretty reasonable to assume that that's what caused it."

GOVERNMENT CEASES VACCINE FATALITY REPORT

The UK Government will no longer publish deaths identified by Covid-19 vaccination status as of August 2023.

The Office for National Statistics' reports included data that showed 95 per cent of Covid-19 deaths, in the year up to May 2023, were among the vaccinated. However, each subsequent report shows less data.

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The December 2021 report calculated mortality rates among 10-14-year-olds, but the following February 2022 report contained zero data on deaths among children. The Exposé, which reported the news, claimed: "The UK Government... is stopping publishing further datasets because... they show the devastation Covid-19 vaccination has caused to the population."

FREEDOM WATCH

EU TO BRING IN DIGITAL IDS

The European Parliament and Member States reached an agreement on the introduction of digital identity on 8 November.

Dutch MEP Rob Roos tweeted: "Very bad news. The European Parliament and Member States just reached an agreement on introducing the digital identity."

Roos also quoted EU Commissioner Breton who had said: "Now that we have a Digital Identity Wallet, we have to put something in it...", suggesting a connection between a CBDC (Central Bank Digital Currency) and eID (electronic identification).

Roos added: "But it is not too late yet. Parliament still has to vote about this." German economist Richard Werner (see HEART Aug/Sept 2023), stated: "The final stage of CBDCs is small and is the size of a grain of rice. In 2017 Bill Gates said that universal basic income is a good idea but it is too early to introduce it. Now what was still missing? ... What was missing was the digital ID hadn't been introduced."

The European Conservative reported that the agreement was pushed through despite over 500 privacy and cybersecurity experts from 39 countries signing a letter strongly warning about respecting citizens' right to privacy.

<u>NEW FREEDOM ALLIANCE LAUNCHED</u>



Prof Jordan Peterson, left – with speakers John Anderson (former Deputy Prime Minister of Australia), Ayaan Hirsi Ali (former Dutch politician and Islam critic) and Os Guinness (author and theologian) – launched the ARC (Alliance for Responsible Citizenship) in London on 30 Octo-

ber. His co-founder is Baroness Philippa Stroud, a member of the House of Lords and leader of conservative think tanks.

Billed as an anti-WEF alliance, guests at the three-day invitation only conference included some who were well known as being anti-lockdown, but other guests, such as Cabinet Minister Michael Gove, raised eyebrows.

The core concerns of ARC included family, social fabric, population, affordable energy, environmental care, free enterprise and good governance. Invited speakers were pro-traditional values, pro-family autonomy and pro-faith.

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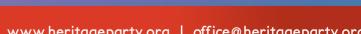
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BOOKREVIEV **By Gordon Pettie**

Hamas from the inside

A gripping read by the son of a Hamas founder

Son of Hamas

By Mosab Hassan Yousef, written with Ron Brackin

First published in March 2010

f you really want to understand the situation in the Middle East, and the background to the Hamas fighters hatred of Israel, I encourage you to read Son of Hamas'. Although first published in 2010, it is still so relevant.

Five years ago, a member of the Revelation TV team, Simon Barrett, interviewed the author, Mosab Hassan Yousef. After the interview was shown on television, Revelation TV placed the interview on YouTube.

He was being groomed to assume his family's legacy, politics, status and power

Suddenly, in the 28 days since 7 October, that YouTube video has had over half a million hits! Why? Simon's interviewee is the eldest son of Sheikh Hassan Yousef, one of the founders of Hamas. As soon as I saw the interview, I ordered a copy of his book which I have not regretted.

Mosab Hassan Yousef was born in 1978 and grew up in Ramallah, in the West Bank. His father was a religious man who studied the Qur'an and sought to

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Being a founder of Hamas gave great importance in the his father community. As the oldest son Mosab spent years acting as his father's bodyguard and companion at meetings with other Palestinian leaders, such as Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

All the while he was being groomed to assume his family's legacy, politics, status... and power. Maybe inevitably, because of who he was, Mosab thought of carrying out a terrorist attack. He ended up in prison, including experiencing harsh treatment at the hands of Israeli soldiers. However, this was far less

gruesome than the torture that the Palestinian authorities inflicted on those they suspected of collaborating with the Israelis

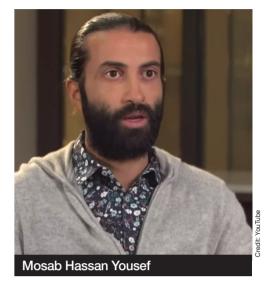
All this alone would make the book remarkable and worth reading, because it gives such insight into the Palestinian people's lives and reasons why they have acted as they have.

But it goes on to record two remarkable events in the author's life. One day Mosab had a 'Damascus Road' experience and turned from terror, violence and in time Islam, embracing instead the teachings of Jesus Christ.

"God had specifically placed me at the core of both Hamas and Palestinian leadership"

His spiritual journey truly started as he was actually walking through the Damascus Gate in Jerusalem. Someone spoke to him and invited him to a (Christian) meeting. His account of reading parts of the Sermon on the Mount for the first time (in Arabic) is deeply moving. Yousab became a secret believer in Jesus Christ.

But even more remarkable is how the author describes his journey from hating the Jews to loving them. Despite his imprisonment and painful treatment by them, he believed the only way to change the situation was by working with the Jews and ended up as a secret collaborator, working with Israel's



internal Security Service.

He writes: "I became the Shin Bet's only Hamas insider who could infiltrate its military and political wings... was clear to me by now that God had specifically placed me at the core of both Hamas and Palestinian leadership, and with the Israeli security service for a reason. I was in a unique position to do the job. And I could feel that God was with me." He believes his actions helped to stop many terrorist attacks and saved many lives.

As soon as my copy of the book arrived, started reading it and could not put it down. I think you will experience the same thing.

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Two-thirds of the world's estimated 2.3 billion Christians live in danger

For generations Christians had their Bible and Foxe's Book of Martyrs side by side on their bookshelves. It has awakened the conscience of countless generations of Christians to what believers have suffered for their faith over the centuries.

The authors of 'The New Book of Christian Martyrs' admit unashamedly that their inspiration has been Foxe's

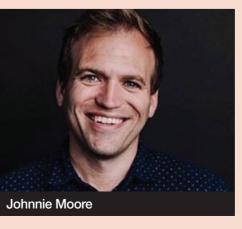
Book of Martyrs. They include the stories that John Foxe told in his original book and have even managed to trace a descendant of one of Foxe's original martyrs, as well as many surviving friends and family members of the martyrs whose stories they tell. The book traces Christian martyrdom from the time of the Apostles through to the modern day... from Stephen's stoning in Acts 7, to Isis' murder of Christian believers in the last few years.

The book reminds us that the world is currently witnessing a wave of Christian martyrs. Two-thirds of the world's estimated 2.3 billion Christians live in danger. In the 21st century we are witnessing an escalation in Christian persecution such as we have rarely seen since the first century.

They quote George Weigel, a senior



Jerry Pattengale



fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Centre, who states: "More Christians have died for their faith in the 20th century than in the previous 19 centuries of Christian history combined"

Most martyrs' stories are unknown, but this book brings them to life. The truth is, as the book tells us, that Justin Martyr declared in AD 165, before his beheading, "The more we are persecuted, the more do others in ever increasing numbers embrace the faith and become worshippers of God through the name of Jesus".

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You may not be being persecuted for your faith. However, the book challenges us to be in solidarity with those who are.

It is not the kind of book you are going to sit and read through in one go. Rather, it is a book to pick up from time to time, to remind yourself of the stories of men and women who have been martyred for their faith, from Europe to Africa, from Asia to the Americas. Sadly Christian persecution is a global phenomenon.



BOOKREVIEWS

By Gordon Pettie

A book to take us back to the real purpose of Christmas

How did we get from the birth of Jesus to a big old man in a red suit and an obsession with the John Lewis advert?

Christmas: Truth and Total Baubles

By Nick Page

Published by Hodder and Stoughton

hinking of Christmas presents yet? Let me introduce you to a fun book containing many important facts. I learned so much through reading it. It will certainly make a good Christmas stocking filler!

Nick Page tells us to forget about only three kings, Jesus born in a stable, and a drummer boy arriving

The author, Nick Page, asks: "How did we get from the birth of Jesus to a big old man in a red suit, a yule log and an obsession with the John Lewis advert?"

The book contains 24 sections which are called 'baubles'. Some baubles deal with Christian traditions, some historical facts, and some sorting out what is in the Bible and what is not! Nick Page tells us to forget about only three kings, Jesus born in a stable, and a drummer boy arriving.

Bauble 15 is a great section on the history of Christmas. Nick Page assures us that Oliver Cromwell did NOT ban Christmas. Apparently the first people in Britain to ban Christmas were the Scots, in the time of John Knox and the Puritans. The English followed their example by banning Christmas in 1644.

When it comes to traditions, I wonder if you know that Christians stole the date



of Christmas from a Roman festival, or that the use of mistletoe is linked to a Druidic ritual? It was Queen Victoria's husband, Prince Albert, who introduced Christmas trees to Britain. As for the Christmas crackers, Bauble 23 says the first Christmas cracker was made about 1846 and the first Christmas card can be dated precisely to 1847.

While this is a fun book about Christmas, there is so much more to it than explaining Christmas traditions, cheerful. historical research and irrelevant humour. Nick Page seeks to sort out and explain fact from fiction and take us back to the real purpose of



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A cri de coeur to the C of E

A former solicitor and chairman of the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship UK reveals what he has learned about God's power in his life

A Case of Daylight Robbery (What My Church Did Not Teach Me)

By By Peter Spreckley

his is such a helpful book for those of us who struggle to see ourselves as God sees us. We ask for many things that God has already given us when we were born again!

The 'back story' at the start of the book tells us that Peter Spreckley, a retired solicitor with little theological training, "is writing as one who has heard from the Lord and has been commissioned to share what he [the Lord] wants his wider Church to proclaim to the world."

Peter Spreckley's experience of many years as a churchgoer has led him to believe that the Church is failing to teach foundational truths of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is also a strong commendation on the cover from no less than Canon Andrew White, the 'Vicar of Baghdad': "I have read and written many books in my life. I honestly do not think I have ever been as challenged by any book as I have been by this one.

Canon Andrew White happens to be



Peter Spreckley

Peter Spreckley's son-in-law, which gave Peter easy access to the great man, but I doubt Andrew White would have dissembled, even for his father-in-law's

Peter shares his story of attending

Anglican churches for many years, serving in various capacities, yet without ever hearing the whole Gospel of Jesus Christ preached.

His realisation that he had been 'robbed' of the fundamental truths which undergird the Gospel began when he attended a Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship rally. There he experienced the power of the Holy Spirit falling upon him, triggering an ardent search of the Scriptures and a thirst to hear other speakers who preached the whole Gospel.

These amazing truths... will revolutionise our way of living

What discovered and Peter experienced culminated in a healing miracle and the writing of this book. In a clear and dynamic way, he sets out the Scriptures for us, step by step (as happened in his own experience). He shows that if we are prepared to really believe God when he tells us all we already have in him, we will be able to live out a godly life in the power of the Holy Spirit, instead of struggling to do and be good by our own efforts.

These amazing truths have, perhaps, never been taught to some of us in any depth; they will revolutionise our way of living, as the Holy Spirit is allowed to guide and reveal the reality of the truth contained in our Bibles.

Have we, too, been robbed of these revelations of who we are in Christ and, more importantly, who he is in us?

Peter ended up serving for 12 years as chairman of the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship UK and saw God do many exciting things.

My 'take away' from the book is not to let ourselves be robbed of the power and truth of God's Word through lack of teaching, failure to study the Bible ourselves, or through following ungodly philosophies

It has clearly taken Peter some courage to persist with the book, but he saw God do "a spectacular physical miracle" when he tried to scrap it. Thank goodness he didn't!

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f you have ever thought, in a selfpitying moment, that at least people would say nice things when you've gone, then you can envy Rev Michael Barling.

His daughter Sam has laboured for three years ghosting Michael's autobiography, compiling recollections from her father's friends and from her father himself.

Here I admit that I knew Michael and his wife June when I was a student at Roffey Place Christian Training College three decades ago, but I learned things I hadn't known.

When I met Michael he was number two (he modestly states he is not a number one) to the late Colin Urquhart, who had become a household name in charismatic circles after experiencing revival at his Luton church. Michael already had a track record of being active in the Evangelical Alliance and, as contributors testify, his support and friendship was valued by other ministers.

Michael had met Colin through the early charismatic movement (which Michael shortens to CM) in the 1980s; like Colin, Michael, was a vicar who discovered the "second blessing" – the gifts of the Holy Spirit with their most obvious manifestation of speaking in tongues (heavenly language).

Michael, then a South London vicar, was working with Michael Harper, founder of

the Fountain Trust.

Speaking in tongues and being filled with the Holy Spirit was new and controversial in the 1980s and Michael recalls Christian bookshops selling books on the Holy Spirit in a brown paper bag. Michael and June moved into The Hyde, the Sussex mansion where a community grew up to support Colin Urquhart's ministry. Community life – having all things in common – was challenging and Michael does not conceal that he was relieved when God allowed them to move back into their own family home.

Christian bookshops were selling books on the Holy Spirit in a brown paper bag

Nonetheless, Michael and June were always hospitable and had a series of singles living in their household. Their generosity with finance, thanks to inherited wealth (paying college fees, donating cars), and with their time is gratefully recalled by many in the book.

Michael continued to support Colin Urquhart, serving as principal of the Bible College and then pastor of Kingdom Faith Church, which he loved. Many will remember Michael's



Michael Barling preaching at Faith Camp

preaching at the ministry's annual Faith Camp.

Sam should be congratulated because it is well written – unlike a lot of self-published books – and does justice to a full life in ministry. I found it engaging and absorbing to go back in time and find out about Michael and June's backgrounds (photos, of which there are plenty, show that God had matched their families well) and follow them into marriage and starting their own family. Here June's contributions often give helpful details as to what was going on behind the scenes.

It's clear that Michael adores his wife and children and has prioritised family over ministry; he organised his clergy schedule so that he could work in the mornings and evenings and be around after school for homework and dinner.

The Barlings' marriage enabled them to counsel engaged couples (hilariously, apparently) and the book's last sentence is "I love you, June".

Michael is gratefully remembered for 'earthing' charismatic teaching

Difficult events are recounted quite briefly and factually; when Michael had a heart attack on the way to visit his daughter Sam, his (auto)biographer, who was having to undergo a second heart operation, he simply states the irony of ending up on the same cardiac ward.

Prayer has been a bedrock of their lives and no doubt enabled them to weather two of their three children getting divorced; later, no doubt thanks to prayer, their son and their other daughter remarried happily.

Other difficult episodes, such as unwanted changes in ministry situations, are dealt with graciously. Whereas Colin Urquhart once said he'd turned down requests to write his autobiography because he'd have to recount all the times he'd been hurt and betrayed, Michael's genial personality probably ensured he had no enemies – apart from those occasional days where he was 'grumpy bear' and appointments were avoided – as a former secretary candidly admits.

Perhaps Michael is most gratefully remembered for 'earthing' charismatic teaching and providing a role model of a Christian husband and father. As I followed their various moves and read the warm tributes, my mind was satisfyingly distracted from October's explosive news of "wars and rumours of wars".

Melanie Symonds

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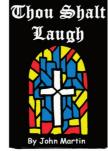
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