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<u>Iran threatens to fire '2,000 missiles a day'</u> <u>in future Israel war which regime sees as</u> <u>'matter of time' – report | All Israel News</u>

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Experts caution: Regime tries to bluster and threaten to avoid war

After the devastating war with Israel and the U.S. left the Iranian regime without an active nuclear program and dramatically diminished missile capabilities, officials are now once again threatening Israel.

A recent report by the *New York Times* warned that the lack of clarity over the nuclear stockpiles and the absence of any new negotiations have led regional officials and analysts to warn that a new war between Israel and Iran is only a "matter of time."

The report notes that the U.S.-Israeli attacks damaged the nuclear facilities but left a stockpile of highly enriched uranium that is either buried under rubble or was transported to a secret location.

In addition, the regime continues to work on a new enrichment site dubbed "Pickaxe mountain," and has refused any oversight of its activities by international inspectors.

"Many in the Gulf believe that makes another Israeli attack on Iran almost inevitable, given Israeli officials' long-held view that Iran's nuclear program is an existential threat," according to the NYT.

"Israel wants to ensure that Iran's nuclear program is contained, and they won't get it through negotiations, so I suspect the Israelis intend to strike again," H.A. Hellyer, a senior associate at the Center for American Progress in Washington, told the NYT. "The Iranians are rebuilding, but once they are past a certain line, Israel will attack again."

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- Jason Brodsky (@JasonMBrodsky) November 9, 2025

Ali Vaez, the Iran project director at the International Crisis Group, cited talks with Iranian officials who threatened that Iran would respond to an Israeli attack much stronger than last year, claiming the regime's actions were "restrained."

Missile factories are working around the clock, the officials told Vaez, and "they hope to fire 2,000 at once to overwhelm Israeli defenses, not 500 over 12 days," he said.

"Israel feels the job is unfinished and sees no reason not to resume the conflict, so Iran is doubling down preparedness for the next round," Vaez added.

However, Jason Brodsky policy director of United Against Nuclear Iran (UANI), estimates that these statements are just more of the regime's usual bluster.

"Yes, Iran regime officials aim to create fear of its less than stellar capabilities in the form of information operations to deter future military action. It did so pre-12 Day War. It's doing so now as well," he wrote on X.

"Also NYT quotes a variation of the same people in every article on Iran, some of whom the regime apparently uses to get the message out," he added.

According to Yoni Ben-Menachem, a researcher at the Jerusalem Center for Security and Foreign Affairs, Iran has "today about 900 active ballistic missiles and the goal is to produce thousands of missiles in the coming months."

If that happens, Ben-Menachem says, "Israel will not be able to cope with thousands of ballistic missiles falling on it." According to him, the solution is a comprehensive, multi-layered campaign against Hezbollah's production capabilities and close coordination with the U.S. for a "true preemptive strike" on the Iranian missile production.

In recent days, regime officials have stressed several times that they are not ready for any new negotiations with the U.S. over a possible nuclear deal.

Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, said Tuesday that "America's arrogant nature accepts nothing but surrender."

Khamenei's foreign minister, Abbas Araghchi, had said on Sunday, "There is at present no possibility of restarting talks with the United States."

Araghchi added that Tehran was open in principle to discussions that would be "based on equality and serve the interests of both sides," but added that "the attitude we see from the Americans does not indicate such readiness."

Vaez said that some officials in the regime are counseling compromise with the U.S., particularly given the regime's internal struggles, while others think negotiations with President Trump are hopeless.

However, Vaez said both camps estimate that another round of war with Israel is inevitable: "So the country is doubling down on preparedness for the next round, and they want it to produce a new equilibrium that will wipe out the sense of Iranian weakness."

Commenting on the NYT report on X, Mehdi Parpanchi, U.S. Executive Editor of the opposition-aligned Iran International TV, wrote, "Let's recall the bold statements made before the 12-day war in June."

"High-ranking commanders like Salami, Hajizadeh, Bagheri, and Rashid openly and repeatedly promised the destruction of Tel Aviv and Haifa should Israel dare to attack. But when the war actually began, what happened? Those very commanders were killed in their beds, never even realizing the war had begun, let alone acting on their threats. It's one thing to issue bold threats. Delivering on them is another matter entirely."

HBCU shootings surge as multiple homecoming events see deadly violence | Fox News

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HBCUs around the country increase security measures as experts call for stronger law enforcement partnerships

A startling rise in violent attacks and threats against <u>historically Black colleges and universities</u> (HBCUs) throughout the country is raising concerns among students, administrators and experts, as multiple shootings and fake threats have been reported across campuses.

Last month, gunshots rang out in the areas surrounding two HBCUs, leaving administrators scrambling as schools attempted to ramp up security in the wake of the violence.

On Oct. 24, as Howard University was hosting its annual homecoming event, one woman, three men and a teenage boy were shot just steps from the campus in Washington, D.C. Although none of the victims were students, one individual was reportedly enrolled at <u>Maryland's Morgan State</u>.

Police arrested two 19-year-old suspects and recovered three guns in connection with the shooting, <u>according to</u> FOX 5. However, authorities have since said that more individuals may have been involved.

MISSISSIPPI HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME SHOOTING: 4 SUSPECTS ARRESTED AFTER 6 DEAD, 20 INJURED

Over the same weekend, one person was killed and six were injured by gunfire at <u>Lincoln University in Pennsylvania</u>, according to authorities. One suspect was subsequently taken into custody in connection with the shooting.

"The sad commentary is, in these communities, you're finding that there are individuals who are armed and also enjoy athletic events," criminal and civil trial attorney Ted Williams, a former police officer in the capital, told Fox News Digital. "They are armed with guns and decide to attend these athletic events, and they also bring their guns with them."

Additionally, a shooting at South Carolina State University's homecoming killed a 19-year-old visitor and injured another attendee, <u>according to</u> Inside Higher Ed. The shooter was reportedly not a student at the university.

FBI INVESTIGATES COLLEGE SWATTING HOAXES TERRORIZING CAMPUSES ACROSS US

Another incident involving three individuals being arrested at Southern University and A&M College in Louisiana's homecoming after they were allegedly caught carrying guns on campus, the outlet reported. One individual reportedly fired a weapon, though no one was injured.

"These are individuals who are outside of the college community itself, [and] are creating problems and havoc for individuals who just want to go to one of these athletic events that are occurring on a HBCU campus without being shot," Williams said. "It's very puzzling."

Two additional HBCUs – Jackson State University and Alcorn State University – also reportedly saw shootings break out at their homecoming events, with one person <u>fatally</u> <u>shot</u> at Alcorn State.

MULTIPLE PEOPLE SHOT AT LINCOLN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA IN CHESTER COUNTY: DA

"No one should have to live this way, but we do have thugs out here who attend these HBCU events and they're hell-bent on creating havoc," Williams said.

In addition to the various homecoming shootings on HBCU campuses, several schools have fallen victim to <u>swatting hoaxes</u> aiming to foster confusion and chaos among the community.

Swatting is the act of falsely reporting an emergency – such as a bomb threat or school shooting – in an attempt to prompt a large <u>law enforcement response</u>.

According to <u>a UNCF study</u>, HBCUs disproportionately receive more threats than other institutions throughout the country. Over the last three years, HBCUs received 76 threats, ultimately impacting 51 of the 101 institutions and halting campus operations while officials looked to identify the unknown threat.

STUDENTS AT ELITE HIGH TUITION SCHOOLS FACE HIGH CRIME AS 2025 DATA REVEALS RISKY ZIP CODES

In light of the uptick in threats and seemingly random acts of violence on HBCU campuses, many schools have opted to increase security in an effort to keep students safe.

Since 2022, numerous campuses have added new safety features — such as <u>installing</u> <u>more cameras on campus</u> and hiring additional police officers — while also working to strengthen their relationships with federal and local law enforcement, according to Inside Higher Ed.

The moves can help officials keep track of who is coming on and off campus as the vast majority of instances involve perpetrators who are unaffiliated with the school.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY ON LOCKDOWN AFTER REPORTED DORM SHOOTING ON CAMPUS

"The only deterrence that's going to be acceptable is for HBCU law enforcement to marry up with local law enforcement officers and try to bring a stop to these kinds of [incidents]," Williams told Fox News Digital.

Williams pointed to schools potentially using magnetometers at events, while employing additional law enforcement to patrol the perimeter of large gatherings.

However, the threat to personal safety while attending college can linger in the back of a student's mind, potentially stoking fear among those who are just trying to earn their education.

"The fact that HBCU college students cannot attend an event without fear is harming their educational experience," Williams said. "I think that it is devastating to a young college student, or their parents and relatives and friends who want to be able to go to these HBCU events and not be killed, shot, maimed or injured – and that is not happening right now."

Super Typhoon leaves two dead in Philippines | The Jerusalem Post

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In Aurora province on Luzon island, where the storm arrived, lights went out but phone lines remained working, a civil defense official, Cheng Quizon, told DZBB radio.

Super Typhoon Fung-Wong made landfall in the <u>Philippines</u> on Sunday with two fatalities reported and one million people evacuated ahead of one of the nation's most powerful storms this year.

The storm crossed over the north of the archipelago's most populous island, Luzon, weather bureau PAGASA said, with torrential rain, sustained winds of 185 kph, and gusts of up to 230 kph.

It was the 21st storm this year to hit a nation that was only just recovering from <u>Typhoon Kalmaegi</u>, which left 224 dead in the Philippines and five in Vietnam.

"We heard on the news that the typhoon is very strong, so we evacuated early," said Christopher Sanchez, 50, who camped with his family on a basketball court in Isabela province on Luzon.

Given previous flooding, the family moved their possessions to their roof before leaving. "We're scared. We're here with our grandchildren and our kids," he said in the sports arena dotted by tents, elderly people on plastic chairs, and children roaming.

One drowned, another killed by debris

Luzon and another island, Eastern Visayas, bore the brunt of the storm's early onslaught, with one person <u>drowned</u> and another trapped under debris, authorities said.

The storm was expected to weaken as it moved inland.

Pope Leo offered prayers for the predominantly Catholic nation. "I am close to the people of the Philippines affected by a violent typhoon. I pray for the deceased and their families, for the injured and the displaced," he said on Sunday.

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Several airports, including Sangley near the capital Manila and Bicol to the south, closed.

Fung-Wong is expected to head north of the Philippines and reach coastal waters on Monday morning while remaining a typhoon, PAGASA said, before heading out to sea and weakening as it reaches western <u>Taiwan</u> on Thursday.

More Cities Run Dry as Iran's Water Crisis Deepens | Newsweek

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Water reserves in Mashhad, Iran's second-largest city and one of its most important religious centers, have fallen below 3 percent of capacity, putting the city's 4 million residents on the brink of a major water emergency.

The crisis in Mashhad is just one sign of a <u>nationwide catastrophe</u>, as Iran faces up to the consequences of worsening droughts, record-low rainfall and decades of mismanaged water resources. Policies that favored building new dams and drilling deep wells over maintaining infrastructure and promoting conservation have left the country facing severe water shortages.

Why It Matters

Mashhad, home to the Imam Reza shrine that attracts millions of pilgrims, is among several Iranian cities facing shrinking reservoirs and depleted aquifers. Tehran, the capital, has also struggled with falling water levels and periodic rationing, while major lakes such as Lake Urmia in the northwest have largely dried up after decades of mismanagement and reduced inflow. The widespread shortages reflect how declining rainfall and poor infrastructure planning have strained both urban supply and agriculture.

Without urgent conservation and reform, large population centers could face lasting shortages. As a major food producer for the region, Iran's <u>worsening crisis</u> threatens to reduce agricultural output and undermine <u>food security</u> in neighboring countries, while growing pressure on shared river basins risks heightening regional tensions.

What to Know

On Sunday, Hossein Esmaeilian, managing director of the Mashhad Water and Wastewater Company, told state media that Mashhad's water reserves have dropped to below 3 percent. He said while consumption has fallen slightly during colder months, "the current situation shows that consumption management is no longer just a recommendation, but a necessity."

Esmaeilian added that total precipitation in Mashhad county this year has been only 0.4 millimeters—compared with 27 to 28 millimeters last year. He noted reservoirs currently supply only 1,000 to 1,500 liters per second of Mashhad's total consumption of 8,000 liters per second, a deficit that leaves the city vulnerable to rationing.

Potential Rationing Measures

Esmaeilian said residents should prioritize conservation to prevent supply disruptions over the next one to two months. He said a roughly 20 percent cut in consumption could avert rationing, but Hassan Hosseini, deputy governor of Mashhad, said authorities are reviewing a regional rationing plan that could take effect before the end of autumn if <u>drought persists</u>.

Officials Shift Responsibility

In recent weeks, several Iranian officials have blamed public overconsumption, urging citizens to reduce use, "pray for rain," and show "moral discipline." Energy Minister Abbas Aliabadi announced nightly water cuts nationwide and called on residents to install home <u>water storage</u> systems, while acknowledging costs may be prohibitive for many.

President Masoud Pezeshkian recently warned that Tehran could soon face further water rationing if rainfall does not increase, cautioning that even these measures might not be enough to avert a crisis.

"If rationing doesn't work," Pezeshkian said, "we may have to evacuate Tehran."

Years of Mismanagement

Despite repeated warnings, Iran's <u>water management</u> approach favored dams and groundwater extraction over maintaining distribution networks and conservation. Those policy choices have contributed to declining aquifers and greater vulnerability when rainfall is insufficient.

What People Are Saying

Hossein Esmaeilian, managing director of the Mashhad Water and Wastewater Company said on Sunday: "The water reserves of Mashhad's dams have now dropped to below 3 percent...consumption management is no longer just a recommendation, but a necessity"

Iran President Masoud Pezeshkian said on November 6: "If it doesn't rain, we will have to start restricting water supplies in Tehran next month. If the drought continues, we will run out of water and be forced to evacuate the city."

What Happens Next

Officials are pinning their hopes on winter rains, but without substantial precipitation or urgent structural reforms, Mashhad—and other major Iranian cities—could plunge into one of the most catastrophic urban droughts in the nation's modern history. Authorities are reportedly preparing contingency plans at the provincial level, underscoring the severity of a crisis that could disrupt millions of lives.

Record rains in Buenos Aires leave more than 12 million acres of farmland underwater | Accuweather.com

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BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 7 (UPI) -- The agricultural sector in Buenos Aires province is facing a severe crisis after the worst flooding in decades inundated farmland in the central and eastern regions.

The Confederation of Rural Associations of Buenos Aires and La Pampa estimates that nearly 12 million acres of farmland have been affected after heavy rains exceeded about 67 inches in several rural areas, far above the historical annual average of about 35 inches.

This situation has halted the planting and harvesting of key crops such as soybeans and corn, with rural roads rendered impassable and flooded fields preventing machinery from operating and blocking the transport of supplies and production.

María José Gentile, mayor of Nueve de Julio, one of the hardest-hit localities, told UPI that nearly half of the county has been affected by flooding.

"This area is known for producing crops such as soybeans and wheat, as well as livestock. Many farmers have lost part of their production and have had to move their cattle to higher ground or rent land in other areas," Gentile said.

She added that some areas are under more than 3 feet of water and could take months to dry.

Graciela Vadillo, a livestock and grain producer and former president of the Nueve de Julio Rural Society, told UPI that most fields are underwater or inaccessible because of damaged roads.

"This will not only affect farmers' finances but the entire production chain," she said.

Much of the grain produced in the region is sold to national distributors that later export to Asian markets and the United States. In the livestock sector, many of the highest-quality cuts are also exported.

Hugo Enríquez, president of the Nueve de Julio Rural Society, told UPI that the city has about 506,000 acres of land flooded out of a total of about 1.06 million acres. Of those 506,000 acres, about 65% is used for livestock and 35% for crops.

"Buenos Aires province has around 6.7 million acres underwater. Much of it is in the core productive region," Enríquez said.

He said cities such as Nueve de Julio, Carlos Casares, Pehuajó, Olavarría, 25 de Mayo and Los Toldos, all agricultural areas, have more than 8.6 million acres affected by impassable roads and partial flooding.

Regarding losses, Enríquez said that flooding has destroyed about 8% of the most recent harvest, mostly soybeans, since about 49,000 acres cannot be reached because the roads are impassable.

Buenos Aires province plays a key role in Argentina's agricultural and livestock production, standing as the country's largest producer of beef and pork, with more than 50% of national slaughter.

Its production includes both livestock and crops, and although the region historically maintained a more balanced agricultural-livestock mix, the acreage planted with crops such as soybeans has expanded significantly in recent decades, displacing livestock in some areas.

In response to the situation, Security Minister Patricia Bullrich and Cabinet Chief Manuel Adorni announced Wednesday that the federal government will take charge of the emergency.

"The national government, through the Federal Emergency Agency, has decided to make all necessary resources available to confront this dramatic situation," Adorni said at a news conference.

Vatican Officially Rejects 'Co-Redemptrix' as a Title for Mary | Crosswalk.com

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The Vatican's doctrinal office on Tuesday formally rejected the titles "co-redemptrix" and "co-mediatrix," to describe Mary, asserting in a lengthy document they wrongly place "her on the same level" as Jesus and are easily misunderstood. Both titles have been used by the Catholic Church for centuries, including in recent decades. The Vatican's Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith noted in the document that John Paul II referred to Mary as "co-redemptrix" at least seven times, using it to reference the "salvific value of our sufferings when they are offered together with the sufferings of Christ, to whom Mary is united especially at the Cross."

Pope Francis, though, opposed the use of "co-redemptrix," asserting that Mary "never wished to appropriate anything of her Son for herself" and "never presented herself as a co-Savior" but instead as "a disciple." The Vatican's theological office urged Catholics worldwide not to use "co-redemptrix." The document was titled <u>Mater Populi Fidelis</u> ("The Mother of the Faithful People of God").

"This title risks obscuring Christ's unique salvific mediation and can therefore create confusion and an imbalance in the harmony of the truths of the Christian faith, for 'there is <u>salvation</u> in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved' (<u>Acts 4:12</u>). When an expression requires many, repeated explanations to prevent it from straying from a correct meaning, it does not serve the faith of the People of God and becomes unhelpful," the document says.

"In this case, the expression 'Co-redemptrix' does not help extol Mary as the first and foremost collaborator in the work of Redemption and grace, for it carries the risk of eclipsing the exclusive role of Jesus Christ -- the Son of God made man for our <u>salvation</u>, who was the only one capable of offering the Father a sacrifice of infinite value -- which would not be a true honor to his Mother. Indeed, as the 'handmaid of the Lord' (<u>Lk 1:38</u>), Mary directs us to Christ and asks us to 'do whatever he tells you."

Phrases such as "mediatrix of all graces" also should not be used, since they have "limits that do not favor a correct understanding of Mary's unique place."

"In fact, she, the first redeemed, could not have been the mediatrix of the grace that she herself received," the document says. "This is not a minor point since it reveals something central: even in Mary's case, the gift of grace precedes her and comes from the absolutely free initiative of the Trinity in view of Christ's merits. Like all of us, she did not merit her justification by a preceding action of her own, nor did she do so by any subsequent action."

Evangelicals consider AI's role in the Great Commission | Christianity Today.com

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The Lausanne Movement is weighing in on how artificial intelligence might shape the future of Christian mission.

Under its new research division, LIGHT, the movement is examining both the opportunities, challenges and responsibilities presented by the rapid rise of AI in the Church and everyday life — from communication and learning, to ministry, theology and pastoral care.

"AI is neither savior nor threat in itself," said the latest LIGHT briefing on AI. "Rather, its value depends on how it is discerned, governed, and deployed by God's people."

As AI becomes increasingly embedded in global society, the Lausanne initiative aims to guide church leaders in understanding how technology can support, rather than distort, the Church's mission to fulfil the Great Commission.

For pastors, missionaries, and theologians, the conversation goes far beyond ethics.

Artificial intelligence is now translating Scripture, automating communication, and assisting in evangelism and outreach — a tool that can accelerate mission work, yet risk diminishing human connection if misused.

The LIGHT Briefing cautions against both "naïve optimism and paralyzing fear."

Instead, it urges believers to engage AI with theological depth and ethical awareness, asking questions such as: "How can these tools strengthen authentic relationships rather than replace them? How might the church model transparency, equity, and justice in a digital age? And how can AI be leveraged to accelerate the Great Commission while keeping Christ at the center?"

To help ministries discern wisely, Lausanne researchers propose a four-part ethical framework.

It calls the Church to keep technology aligned with the Great Commission (Commission Alignment); to strengthen rather than replace genuine human and divine relationships (Relational Alignment); to ensure fairness, sustainability, and care for the vulnerable (Utility and Equity Alignment); and to uphold transparency, accountability, and moral responsibility in all technological use (Moral Alignment).

These principles encourage the Church to ensure that all technological use reflects biblical values of justice, truth, mercy, and love.

The report warns: "AI must not be allowed to interfere with ... our communion with God nor our connection with others. Rather, it should be leveraged to strengthen authentic human connection.

"As beings morally accountable to God, we can never assign moral agency to machines. Ultimately, we must take responsibility for the technologies we use and share with others."

One of the most discussed applications is proclamation evangelism — the public sharing of the Gospel.

While AI can now translate Scripture into new languages or generate culturally relevant content, Lausanne emphasises that digital tools cannot replace the incarnational witness of believers.

"The gospel remains unchanged," the authors write. "Biblical commands transcend technological innovation and demand faithful proclamation, regardless of medium."

AI may assist evangelists in streamlining communication, protecting workers in restricted regions, and analysing data to reach new audiences, but the embodied human voice, they argue, remains irreplaceable.

The report states: "Jesus, the Word made flesh, proclaimed the kingdom through his incarnational presence. Embodied humans — ensouled, indwelled, and empowered by his Holy Spirit — connect with other humans in ways a machine never can and never will. Evangelism involves testimony of 'lived experience' with Jesus.

"In an increasingly artificial and disembodied world, it is the authentic and embodied human that brings the tangible love of Christ to the lost and lonely. Our presence says we cared enough to show up in person to 'proclaim the good news to the poor' and 'proclaim liberty to the captives."

The LIGHT Briefing acknowledges that the church has faced technological revolutions before and will do so again. With discernment, courage, and prayer, believers can approach this new frontier not with fear, but with hope — trusting that in the digital age, as with ages before, God's mission continues through His people.

The report concludes: "Relationally, AI challenges the efficacy of God's design. Theologically, AI challenges the sufficiency of God's methods. These challenges must be confronted and considered prayerfully.

"While AI may augment, it must always serve, not supplant, the spirit-filled human herald in proclaiming the good news and fulfilling the Great Commission."

More Americans are now reading the Bible: study | Christianpost.com

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With Millennials and Generation Z leading the way, particularly among men, Bible reading among U.S. adults in 2025 is at its highest level in the last 15 years, according to new data from the "State of the Church" initiative.

The initiative by <u>Barna Group</u> and <u>Gloo</u> collected data from 12,116 online interviews conducted between January and October of 2025. The research revealed that approximately 50% of self-identified Christians report reading the Bible weekly, the highest level of Bible reading among Christians in more than a decade.

Weekly Bible reading among all U.S. adults reached its lowest point in 15 years in 2024 when it hit 30%. In 2025, the figure rebounded 12 percentage points to 42%, according to the latest data.

"Bible reading is rising again across generations, marking a reset to faith engagement levels we haven't seen in a decade," David Kinnaman, CEO of Barna Group, said in a statement. "People aren't just curious about faith — they're opening Scripture for themselves. This trend aligns with other signs of renewal we've seen in our research, like growing commitments to Jesus and increased church attendance."

A breakdown of general Bible reading data among U.S. adults reveals a significant increase in weekly Bible reading among both Millennials and Gen Z over the past year.

Approximately 50% of Millennials reported reading the Bible weekly, representing a 16-point increase from the previous year. Bible reading among Gen Z increased by a staggering 19 points, from 30% a year ago to 49% in 2025. Gen X currently stands at 41%.

Only 31% of Boomers reported reading their Bible weekly, despite traditionally being the group of U.S. adults with the highest level of Bible reading.

While women have traditionally been more likely to read the Bible weekly, the latest data show that younger men are leading younger women in this practice. Weekly Bible reading rates were 54% for Gen Z men and 57% for Millennial men, compared to 46% for Gen Z women and 43% for Millennial women.

This finding isn't surprising considering <u>recent Barna Research</u> showing that nearly 40% of young adult Gen Z women now identify as religiously unaffiliated.

The data suggests that Gen Z women are grappling with a profound disconnection from their parents and older adults in general, and some 38% of them currently identify as atheist, agnostic or say they have no faith at all. This is higher than the 32% of men in the same age group who said they are religiously unaffiliated. Young adult Gen Z women also reported the lowest rates of Bible reading, church attendance, and prayer among their peers.

Despite more Americans reporting regular Bible reading, fewer maintain that the Bible is 100% accurate.

Only 36% of Americans now hold that the Bible is 100% accurate. In 2000, this share was 43%. Just 44% of self-identified Christians strongly affirmed the accuracy of the Bible.

"It's very encouraging to see more people, especially young adults, turning to the Bible," Brad Hill, chief partner success officer at Gloo, said in a statement. "But this rise in interest also challenges church leaders to go deeper, turning curiosity and engagement into opportunities to help people live what they read. In an age when AI tools are providing answers to life's big questions, it's imperative that churches cultivate deep and durable Bible engagement habits."