

Israel Update and Church Update

Stand Read Psalm 121 Pray.

I thought it important to take half of our time today and do an Israel update as things are really heating up. The reality of it, as we will see today, is this is not just an Israel thing but a global thing.

Where are we right now?

As of October 18, at least 1,400 people have died and 3,400 others have been injured in Israel after the militant group Hamas launched an unprecedented incursion from air, land and sea on Oct. 7, Israeli authorities said.

<https://www.foxnews.com/live-news/october-19-israel-hamas-war>

Israel's defense minister tells troops to 'be ready' for ground invasion order, doesn't specify time

Israel's Defense Minister Yoav Gallant told ground troops at the border with Gaza to prepare to invade the Palestinian territory, but he did not say when the invasion would start, according to the Associated Press.

<https://www.businessinsider.com/iran-preemptive-action-israel-idf-invade-gaza-hamas-2023-10?op=1>

Iran just warned of imminent 'preemptive action' against Israel if the IDF launches a ground invasion of Gaza.

Iran's government said on Monday that Israel can "expect a preemptive action" if Israel launches its anticipated invasion of Gaza.

"All options are open and we cannot be indifferent to the war crimes committed against the people of Gaza," Foreign Minister Hossein Amirabdollahian said on state TV, per a translation by Reuters.

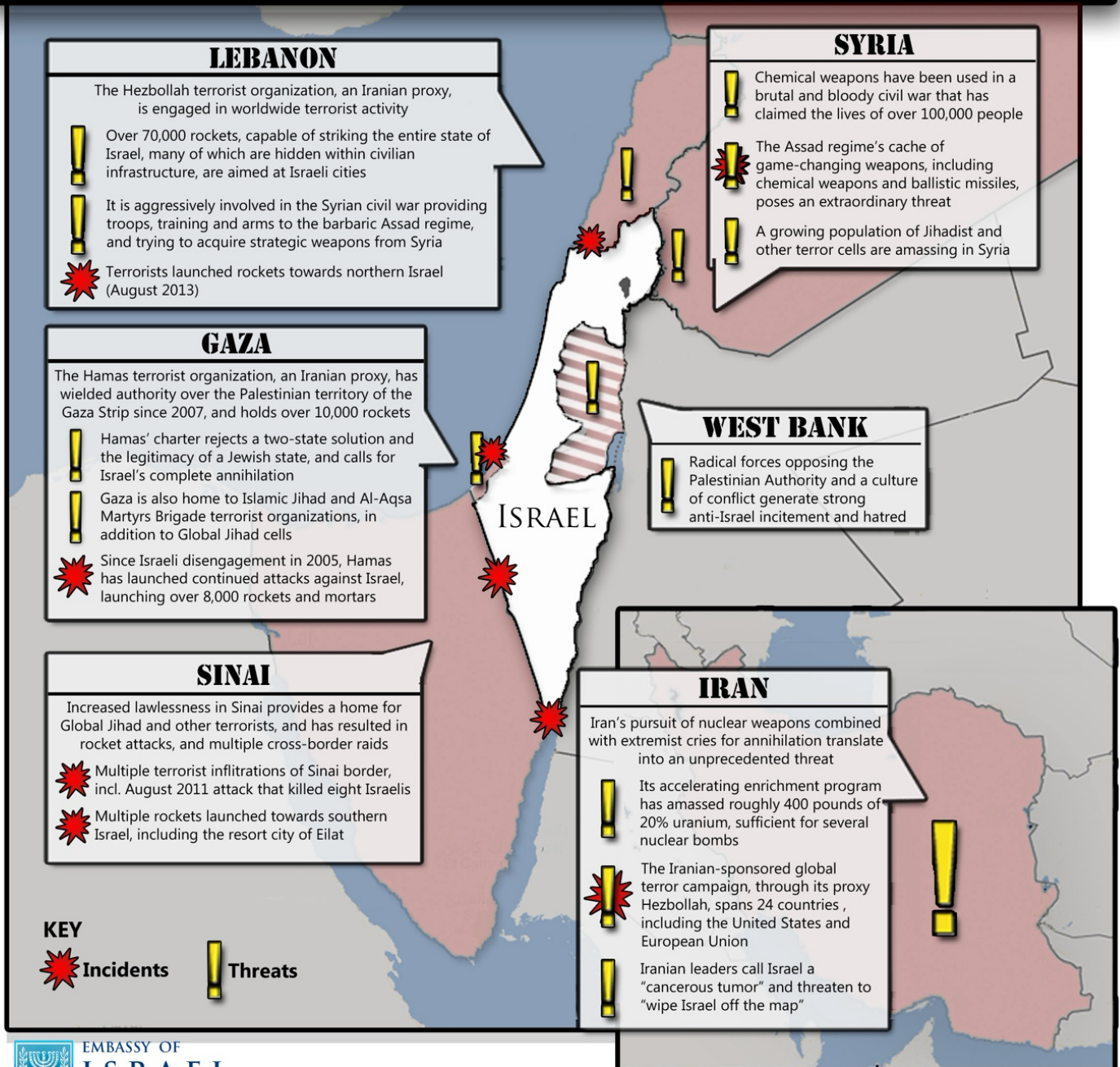
"In the coming hours, we can expect a preemptive action by the resistance front," he added, per Reuters.

This might have already started since I put this together. This has been in the making for a very long time...

THREATS FACING ISRAEL

ONGOING TERRORIST ATTACKS
180,000 ROCKETS ON ITS BORDERS

CALLS FOR ITS ANNIHILATION
ISRAELI CITIZENS TARGETED



This map is ten years old so we can see that they have had plenty of time to arm up and be ready.

You * can see from this map the countries that surround Israel. All of them are Muslim nations!

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2023/10/18/what-they-are-saying-president-biden-visits-israel-following-hamas-terrorist-attacks/>

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING: President Biden Visits Israel Following Hamas Terrorist Attacks

Today, President Biden traveled to Israel to stand in solidarity with the people of Israel in the wake of horrific terrorist attacks by Hamas that killed more than 1,300 innocent civilians, including at least 31 U.S. citizens. As the President made clear during the trip, Israel is not alone – and with U.S. support it will remain a safe, security, Jewish, and Democratic state today, tomorrow, and forever.

This just another political ploy to garner support for an upcoming election, if there is even an election. Let's get real...

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-07-15/biden-plans-316-million-in-palestinian-aid-reviving-us-ties?embedded-checkout=true>

Biden Plans \$316 Million in Palestinian Aid, Reviving US Ties
President to meet with Abbas, then travels to Saudi Arabia
Trump cut most US ties with Palestinians following disputes

This picture tells us the real story! ***

<https://www.foxnews.com/world/hezbollah-thousands-times-stronger-warns-us-israel-report>

Hezbollah says it's 'thousands of times stronger' than before, warns US, Israel: report

Crowds reportedly chant 'Death to America and Israel' during rally near Beirut

https://news.yahoo.com/wagner-mercenaries-involved-training-hamas-145700770.html?guccounter=1&guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZ29vZ2xlLmNvbS8&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAAFRLYoKxeORyGRwFVEe1gbc3R3hPhB oat 3EFL4B-FqpQlERoQ6lsayTsJLq75PK328HVUMtp5R4TYfKGM6T507hKuUGpN4eDumcCfzmWyam4KJXs0S V6KR36Z-6-QCQdCPE8s2JEDfkw0ukXVI6fREATmV34BrRMM-0sFEKlg

Wagner mercenaries involved in training Hamas militants for operations against Israel, Ukrainian military say

Wagner Group mercenaries who left Belarus for Africa were involved in training and transferring combat experience to the Palestinian militant group Hamas, which attacked Israel on Oct. 7, the Ukrainian Defense Ministry's National Resistance Center has claimed.

The key areas of training for Hamas units were assault training and the use of small unmanned aerial vehicles to drop explosives.

Only the Russians, among Hamas's allies, have experience in the use of drones with drop mechanisms, and it was the Wagner mercenaries who handed them over to Hamas militants during exercises in Africa, the NRC alleged.

Zechariah 12:3

And it shall happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it.

Eventually the whole world will turn its back on Israel! *

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/state-department-official-calls-quits-biden-us-will-support-israel-policy-disagreement>

State Department official calls it quits after Biden says US will support Israel: 'Policy disagreement'

A Biden administration official has resigned from the State Department, citing President Biden's announcement of material support for Israel. The official said he "cannot work" as the U.S. helps Israel in its war against the Hamas terrorist group.

Josh Paul, who worked for the State Department's Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, where he was responsible for transferring

arms to key American allies, posted his resignation letter on social media. In it, he said "continued lethal assistance to Israel" prompted his decision to leave.

Biden's * DHS has hired her to run immigration!

And * then of course we know this happened!

What's Next? *

The US and Russia are in a standoff in the Middle East with the focus Israel! **

Psalm 2:2-3

The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying, "Let us break Their bonds in pieces and cast away Their cords from us."

Daniel 2:44

And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.

You need to choose whose kingdom you are going to be part of!

Church Update!

What is the Church?

Ephesians 4:11-16

11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the [e]difying of the body of Christ, 13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; 14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, 15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

1 Peter 2:4-10

Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, 5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6 Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture,

“Behold, I lay in Zion

A chief cornerstone, elect, precious,

And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame.”

7 Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who [b]are disobedient,

“The stone which the builders rejected
Has become the chief cornerstone,”
8 and

“A stone of stumbling
And a rock of offense.”

They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

9 But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; 10 who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

Acts 13:1

Now in the church that was at Antioch there were certain prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

Acts 14:22-23

...strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, “We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.” So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

In your handout you received today you can see we are offering to you Church Membership. Some of you are familiar with the idea and others might not have any idea. So first,

Why * Membership?

Give reasons, Legal, Protective, Community

How * Does one Become a member?

Most of you will be grandfathered in. We understand this will be kind of messy and awkward as we begin but it will work. Our Goal is to make this an easy process and not subject to the legalism that some churches have.

Number 1:

Have a Christian Testimony

Number 2:

Been attending for 3 months.

Number 3:

Agree to our By-Laws and Membership Handbook

You * will then sign and fill out the membership agreement and have a witness (Another Member) or an Elder or Pastor sign it. Make sure all information is legible.

Discuss record Keeping and directory.

Turn of stream and engage with the people.
Benevolence and Underground plans

Pray and finish with a song.