

Rare 6.1 Earthquake in Gulf Shakes Florida, Prompts Evacuations

A rare 6.1 magnitude earthquake struck the Gulf of America on Monday, sending tremors across Florida and prompting evacuations in several buildings.

The earthquake was centered west-northwest of Mantua, Cuba, and was felt as far north as Tallahassee. The U.S. Geological Survey received more than 4,000 reports from people who felt the shaking.

In Seminole County, officials said, "Multiple calls have been received at the Emergency Communication Centers (9-1-1). Seminole County employees report feeling the tremor in multiple buildings."

The statement continued: "Emergency Management is coordinating with healthcare facilities and other critical infrastructure."



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Officials also noted that the fire department responded to "at least one building evacuated for safety."

Several buildings in the Miami area were evacuated as residents reported swaying structures and shaking furniture.

Walt Disney World Resort confirmed the earthquake was felt in Central Florida.

"An earthquake was felt this afternoon in Central Florida, including Walt Disney World Resort and Universal Orlando Resort," a statement said.

“There are no reports of injuries or major damage. Our teams are continuing to monitor the situation.”

USGS Earthquake Hazards Program spokesperson Steven Sobieszczyk said aftershocks are possible.

“Given the size of the quake, we would expect further aftershocks over the coming days,” he said.

Despite its strength, officials said the earthquake posed no tsunami threat. The quake is believed to be one of the strongest ever recorded in the Gulf region and the strongest ever recorded near Florida.

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Israeli Flags Fly Freely on the Temple Mount as Messianic Fervor Grows

The Temple Mount is changing.

Israeli flags now wave openly atop Judaism's holiest site. Jewish worshippers pray, sing and ascend the mount in growing numbers. Restrictions that once suppressed visible expressions of Jewish worship continue to fall away as religious fervor gains momentum in Jerusalem.

The Temple Institute celebrated the development in a June 7 social media post.

“SHAVUA TOV FROM THE TEMPLE MOUNT!

“Waving the flag of Israel on the Temple Mount continues unabated. Long forbidden by the police, who still seem to be trying to intimidate by filming the flag wavers, it has become common practice, alongside Jewish prayer and song.

“May the flag of the state of Israel yet wave, forever and ever, over the holy Temple Mount!

“Shavua tov! Have a good week!”

While most discussions surrounding Iran focus on nuclear negotiations, sanctions and military threats, two Israeli journalists say the deeper issue is spiritual.

During a recent episode of Watchman Newscast, host Erick Stakelbeck spoke with Yair Pinto and Mati Shoshani, co-hosts of TBN Israel’s Boots on the Ground, about the ongoing conflict involving Iran, Israel and Tehran’s regional proxies.

Pinto argued that Iran’s actions cannot be understood through politics alone.

“I would start with it’s a spiritual war,” Pinto said.

According to Pinto, Iran’s leaders view regional conflict through a religious lens.

“According to their radical Shiite doctrine, they need to just open the gates of hell towards everybody around them, especially Israel and the United States,” he said.

Pinto contended that the regime’s worldview makes lasting peace difficult because conflict itself serves a larger purpose.

"They don't care about peace. They think this is an opportunity to actually fulfill their prophecies," he said.



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The comments came during a broader discussion about stalled negotiations between the United States and Iran. Pinto argued that Western leaders often assume peace and stability are the desired outcomes, while Iran's leadership may be operating from a completely different set of motivations.

"If you come from this understanding, then they don't care about peace," he said.

Shoshani echoed the belief that diplomacy has reached a dead end.

"I think at this point it should be clear to many people that there's a reality in which there is no agreement. Not today, not tomorrow, not in the foreseeable months," he said.

The interview concluded with a message of hope regarding Israel's future despite ongoing wars and regional instability.

"I think that God is using Israel today to show the world that He's still faithful," Pinto said.

Pointing to Israel's economic strength and military resilience, he added, "We need to praise God for being faithful and for being able to turn a rough situation into an amazing testimony that he's in control."

Stakelbeck echoed that sentiment as the segment ended.

"The God of Israel, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob neither slumbers nor sleeps," he said.

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This Hidden Work of the Holy Spirit Could Change Your Walk With God

Many believers have entered this season carrying a weight they cannot fully explain. The pressure has intensified. The opposition feels relentless. The battle has become exhausting.

During a recent broadcast, Amanda Grace delivered a message that explains why.

“The reason many of you feel such heaviness and oppression attempting to bear down on you is because you are on the brink of having one of the largest, most powerful breakthroughs in your life,” Grace said.

Rather than retreating under the pressure, she urged believers to recognize what may be happening beneath the surface.

“And the enemy is attempting to bear down as much pressure, exhaust you, weigh you down, distract you, cause those who are chained in the flesh to act up around you and disrupt your peace.”

Grace said the answer is not to quit but to press forward.

“Now says the Lord is the time to press in, contend,” she said. “My strength is made perfect in your weakness, where you are weak, I the Lord am strong.”



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Divine Helpers and Dormant Promises

Throughout the message, Grace repeatedly emphasized that God is positioning His people for breakthrough, restoration and fresh provision.

“As you focus, put your hand to the plow and commit to my way, my purpose and my plans, I the Lord shall fortify the weaknesses,” she said. “I shall cleanse the compromise.”

She also declared that some relationships and assignments are shifting as God prepares believers for a new season.

“The portioned stealers are being removed,” Grace said.

At the same time, she said new people are being brought into place.

“The divine helpers who have been assigned are coming in.”

Grace pointed to what she described as a coming harvest from prayers, sacrifices and acts of obedience that may have seemed forgotten.

“My system of seed time and harvest says the Lord is now awakening seeds planted years ago,” she said. “That have lain dormant shall now be awakened and produce.”

She added, “I am speaking to the harvest and commanding it to accelerate into the hands of those I have found worthy.”

One statement in particular stood out as she described what she believes is ahead for many believers.

“What was delayed a decade shall now come to pass within a year.”

A Call for the Daniels to Rise

Grace also pointed to the biblical example of Daniel, saying God is raising up men and women of wisdom, integrity and spiritual discernment for strategic positions of influence.

“Call in the Daniels says the Lord,” she said. “Call them into the capital, call them into ministries, call them into the corporate arena.”

She said believers should not be intimidated by the shaking taking place around them.

“As the nation shakes, as the nation sifts, the faithful shall rise,” Grace said. “Their influence shall carry.”

The message centered on a recurring theme: God is still in control.

“I the Lord am high above every principality power and might,” Grace said. “I do not bow nor do I concede to the systems of men.”

For believers who have spent months—or even years—waiting for answers, the message carried a clear challenge. Stay faithful. Stay focused. Keep moving forward.

“Walk circumspectly before me. Humble yourselves,” Grace said.

No matter how intense the pressure may feel today, Grace’s message pointed to a hope-filled reality: breakthrough may be far closer than it appears.

“The reason many of you feel such heaviness and oppression attempting to bear down on you is because you are on the brink of having one of the largest most powerful breakthroughs in your life.”

For those who have been standing, praying and believing, the encouragement is simple: Don't quit now. Keep pressing in. Keep trusting God. The seeds are awakening, the harvest is accelerating and the breakthrough may already be at the door.

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Doctor Warns Hellish Near-Death Experiences May Be Far More Common Than Reported

A medical scientist who studied near-death experiences says frightening encounters of Hell during clinical death may be more common than many people realize.

Dr. Orson Wedgwood, a New Zealand-based healthcare researcher and author, told the Daily Mail that negative near-death experiences are likely underreported because many people either do not share them or cannot remember them.

"Some people may not report them because they are ashamed, or some may not remember due to dissociative amnesia, [that is] the experience was so horrific the brain stops them remembering it to avoid reliving the trauma," Wedgwood said.

According to Wedgwood, only a percentage of people who are

clinically dead report near-death experiences. Of those, a smaller percentage describe encounters marked by fear, dread and torment. He believes the true number is much higher.

“Dissociative amnesia due to the experiences being so bad may mean that as people age they are more likely to have a negative experience but are unable to remember – this is psychological not physiological,” he said.



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Wedgwood's research examined scientific studies alongside testimonies from people who reported out-of-body experiences during medical emergencies. His work led him to conclude that reports of both heavenly and hellish encounters deserve serious attention.

One recurring theme in negative experiences involved encounters with hostile beings. Wedgwood recounted testimony from one individual who described hearing voices beyond an open door while outside his body in a hospital room. The voices initially appeared welcoming before becoming violent.

“The pain felt real, and the fear was absolute,” Wedgwood said while recounting the testimony.

He also pointed to research involving consciousness during cardiac arrest. Wedgwood cited a study led by Dr. Sam Parnia that found bursts of brain activity associated with higher cognitive function during extended CPR efforts.

Wedgwood said many researchers have dismissed negative near-death experiences while accepting positive ones. He pointed to a 2019 study published in the journal *Memory* that found positive and negative near-death experiences shared many of the same characteristics.

“[They] concluded that they share the same set of traits as

positive NDEs such as feeling more real than life, timelessness, 360 degree vision and heightened senses, except positive feelings were replaced by dread, fear and horror," he said.

Discussions about hellish near-death experiences bring to mind the testimony of Bill Wiese, author of the bestselling book 23 Minutes in Hell.



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Wiese has shared for years that he was shown a place of torment that included overwhelming darkness, extreme heat, demonic creatures, screams of agony and a crushing sense of hopelessness. He described being confined in a prison-like chamber and witnessing suffering beyond anything experienced on earth.

At the center of Wiese's message is the conviction that hell is real and that Jesus Christ provides a way of salvation through His death and resurrection.

The Bible repeatedly warns about eternal judgment while also proclaiming God's offer of redemption through Christ. Jesus spoke of both heaven and hell, calling people to repentance and faith.

We do not respond to these accounts with fear. We respond with gratitude for the grace of God and renewed urgency to share the gospel. The same Savior who warned of judgment stretched out His arms on the cross so that no one would perish but have everlasting life.

These testimonies remind us that eternity matters, every soul matters, and the message of Jesus Christ remains humanity's greatest hope. Our calling is clear: remain faithful, share the gospel boldly and point people to the One who conquered sin and death.

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16).

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Rejected by His Mother, Nearly Killed in a Crash, Now Reaching Millions for Jesus

For decades, end-times conversations have centered on prophetic timelines, global events, Israel, the Antichrist and signs of Christ's return.

John Bevere believes many believers are asking the wrong question.

During a recent episode of his podcast, Bevere pointed listeners to a different focus: the condition of the Bride of Christ.

“The question is, is it a big deal to us?” Bevere asked. “His bride?”

Drawing from Revelation 19, Bevere highlighted the passage declaring that the Bride of Christ “has made herself ready.”

"We're really going to share what you need to know in order to make yourself ready," he said.

Bevere compared Christ's return to a wedding day, recalling his own marriage to wife Lisa more than four decades ago. He remembered watching her walk down the aisle in a beautiful white wedding dress after months of preparation.

"I've never seen anything so beautiful in my entire life," he said.

The image led to a challenging question.

"Can you imagine if she showed up at that back of that church and she had on an old wrinkled dress with a bunch of dirt and grime stains on it?" Bevere asked.

"What would it have communicated to me? She wasn't prepared for this day. She didn't take it seriously."

"It wasn't a big deal to her."

"It was a big deal to me. It's a big deal to Jesus."

Bevere said many Christians spend significant time studying prophetic events while neglecting the personal preparation Scripture emphasizes.

"The marriage of the Lamb has come and His wife has made herself ready," he said, quoting Revelation 19.



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He pointed listeners to the next verse, which states that the Bride is clothed in fine linen.

"The fine linen is the righteous acts or the righteous works of the saints," Bevere said.

According to Bevere, every act of obedience contributes to the believer's wedding garment.

"Every act of obedience is literally producing linen to construct your wedding dress," he said.

Bevere stressed that salvation is a gift that cannot be earned.

"You can't do a thing to save yourself. It is the gift of God," he said.

At the same time, he emphasized that believers are called to respond to God's grace through obedience.

"We now have the nature to be able to obey His commands," he said.

The veteran Bible teacher pointed to Jesus' words regarding the seven churches in Revelation.

"I know all the things you do."

Bevere noted that Christ repeats the phrase throughout Revelation 2 and 3.

"I remember I was in prayer one day and the Spirit of God said to me, 'Son, did you notice Jesus didn't say to one of the seven churches, I know your intentions, or I know what you believe? He said, I know your works or the things you do.'"

For Bevere, readiness for Christ's return is not measured by knowledge alone.

"The emphasis is our corresponding works of obedience, not merely what we believe," he said.

He also warned that motives matter as much as actions.

"The garment is clean and bright," Bevere said. "This speaks to our intentions."

He contrasted genuine obedience with acts performed for recognition, influence or personal advancement.

"We're more in ministry because we want people to listen to me and see me and hear me and I'm really into people liking me," he said. "Now it's not clean and bright. It's wrinkled and soiled."

Throughout the discussion, Bevere repeatedly returned to the importance of spiritual urgency.

"We don't know the time period of the coming of the Lord," he said.

Many believers assume they will become serious about God later in life, he said, but preparation for Christ's return happens daily.

"The happy place is where I've got the urgency because I'm deeply in love with Him," Bevere said. "I want to be the best I can be for Him. I want to be as fruitful as I can be for Him."

He argued that the central issue of the end times is not identifying every prophetic headline but preparing for a coming wedding.

For that reason, Bevere challenged listeners to look inward rather than outward.

"How ready are we?" he asked.

The answer, he said, is revealed in the garment being woven through daily obedience.

"The bride has made herself ready and it was granted to her to be arrayed in fine linen," Bevere said.

"We delight in obeying God because we love Him so deeply."

"If you don't love Him deeply, maybe perhaps you don't stand

in awe of Him.”

“And knowing God intimately is what gives us strength to walk in obedience to His Word, which is what prepares our wedding garment for that glorious day.”

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