

# 12-Year-Old Shot in the Head at Church, Now Making a 'Miraculous' Recovery

A Minnesota family is celebrating what they describe as a miracle after their 12-year-old daughter, Sophia Forchas, survived being shot in the head during a mass shooting at Annunciation Catholic Church in Minneapolis on August 27.

Hennepin Healthcare, where she has been receiving treatment, released a statement from the Forchas family this week updating the public on her progress. "Sophia is winning! Your prayers are working," the family said.

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Her parents added that the support they have received from around the world has been overwhelming. "We are humbled by the countless individuals across the globe who have lifted her up in prayer, including His All-Holiness Orthodox Patriarch Bartholomew and His Holiness Pope Leo XIV," the family said. They also noted that "each day we uncover new revelations of moments and circumstances that kept her alive and made her recovery possible. God has heard our prayers and wrapped Sophia in His healing embrace."

On the day of the shooting, Sophia underwent emergency surgery after a bullet became lodged in her head. Fr. Timothy Sas of St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church, where the Forchas family are members, wrote that she endured a "long and difficult" operation. Her neurosurgeon, Dr. Walt Galcich, later confirmed the extent of the damage caused by the bullet but also said there were encouraging signs as her condition began to improve.



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Now several weeks later, Sophia is preparing to leave acute care and begin an inpatient rehabilitation program. Her family explained, "Though she still has a long journey ahead filled with extensive therapy, her resilience continues to inspire hope at every step. Sophia is strong, brave and unwavering in her fight toward healing."

The Forchas family also expressed gratitude for the dedication of hospital staff and the support of their church and school communities. "To our extended family, the Orthodox Church, our Annunciation school family, our friends and colleagues and the many strangers who have become prayer warriors for Sophia, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts," the family said.

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Sophia's mother, who works as a pediatric critical care nurse at Hennepin Healthcare, was on duty when she learned her daughter had been critically injured. A GoFundMe page established for the family revealed that Sophia's younger brother was also present during the attack but was not physically harmed.

The shooting, carried out during the first Mass of the school year by identified gunman Robin Westman, left two children dead and 18 others wounded. Witnesses recalled chaos in the sanctuary as gunfire shattered stained-glass windows and parishioners shielded children from the attack.

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Even in the aftermath of tragedy, Sophia's story has emerged as a testimony of courage and faith. In their most recent

update, the Forchas family urged the community to continue praying, not only for Sophia but also for peace. "Please continue to pray. Pray for peace and when you pray, move your feet. Let us worship God together and walk forward in Faith, Hope and Love. Together, we can create a better tomorrow," the family said.

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## **New Digital ID Schemes Spark Prophetic Warnings About Global Control**

Jesus warned that in the last days there would be "birth pains" that signal the coming of the end. Wars and rumors of wars, lawlessness, pestilence, and systems of control are not random but are signs that prophecy is unfolding before our eyes. Christians are told to stay awake, watch and discern the times. One of the clearest warnings is about a future system of global control that will strip people of their freedom and demand their compliance.

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In the United Kingdom, we are seeing the foundation for such a

system being laid.

According to the Financial Times, Prime Minister Keir Starmer is “reportedly set to unveil plans for digital ID cards for Brits within days as part of his strategy to tackle illegal immigration.” The report notes the official rollout could be announced at the Labour Party conference beginning September 28.

This plan is not about immigration. It is about power. It would require every British national and lawful resident to obtain a digital ID stored on their phone and tied to their ability to work, rent a home and access essential services. Home Secretary Shabana Mahmood revealed her position clearly: “My long-term personal political view has always been in favor of ID cards.” She boasted that such a system could “help with illegal working enforcement” and “deal with the pull factors that are making the UK a destination of choice.”



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Starmer himself defended the idea by saying, “We all carry a lot more digital ID now than we did 20 years ago.” That kind of reasoning attempts to normalize a dangerous precedent. A poll cited by More in Common found “over half of Brits supported a digital identification system, with 53% in favor. A fifth were against it.”

Public opinion is being steered to accept a policy that will be used to tighten control over people's daily lives.

This is not a minor administrative change. It is the latest in a long line of moves toward the prophetic reality described in Revelation. The digital ID is nothing less than a tool for oppression. Here are just some of the dangers believers must recognize:

# The Prophetic Dangers of Digital IDs

- **Conditioning Toward the Mark of the Beast**

Revelation 13:16-17 warns of a time when no one will be able to “buy or sell” without the mark. Digital IDs tie basic rights like employment and housing to state approval, preparing society to accept exactly the kind of control Scripture warns us about.

- **Total Surveillance and State Control**

By centralizing information about where you live, how you work, and what services you access, the government gains unprecedented control. Revelation 13:7 speaks of authority being given to the Antichrist over “every tribe, people, language and nation.” Systems like this make such global control possible.

- **Global Integration and Loss of Sovereignty**

A national digital ID can quickly expand into an international one. Revelation 17:13 describes kings giving their power to one ruler. Digital ID systems are a step toward that prophesied unity under a single oppressive authority.

- **Exclusion of the Non-Compliant**

Those who refuse to comply will be shut out of society. Revelation 20:4 says those who refused the mark were killed for their faith. While today’s consequences may begin with denial of work or housing, the prophetic pattern shows this system will grow harsher with time.

- **False Security and Deception**

The policy is sold as safety and order, but 1 Thessalonians 5:3 warns, “When they say, ‘Peace and safety,’ then sudden destruction comes upon them.” Digital IDs are not peace and safety. They are the infrastructure of oppression dressed up as progress.

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This scheme should not cause Christians to shrink back in fear but to stand firm in discernment. Digital IDs are part of the growing web of control that mirrors the very systems Scripture warns about. We are not called to panic but to recognize these “birth pains” for what they are: signs pointing to the soon return of Christ.

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With eyes fixed on Jesus and hearts anchored in His Word, believers can live with confidence, courage and clarity in a world rushing toward the fulfillment of prophecy.

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# **Prophecy Watch: Hegseth Recalls Hundreds of Generals to Pentagon for Unprecedented Meeting**

The Pentagon is set to convene an unusual meeting of top U.S. military commanders from across the globe in Virginia next

week.

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“Multiple War Department officials confirmed to Fox News that top military commanders had been asked to fly to Virginia for a meeting next week, though the topic of the discussion is unclear,” the report stated.

The Pentagon confirmed the gathering but offered little clarity. “The Secretary of War will be addressing his senior military leaders early next week,” chief spokesperson Sean Parnell said.



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A meeting of this scope is highly unusual. According to Fox News, “around 800 generals and admirals are spread across the U.S. and world,” and such large-scale conferences would normally take place via secure video teleconference.

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The lack of details has sparked speculation, with some suggesting it may connect to War Secretary Pete Hegseth's prior plans to cut senior leadership. “The lack of details surrounding the gathering has some fearing a looming purge,” Fox News reported.

## **Prophetic Times**

We do not yet know what the true purpose of this unprecedented gathering will be. But what we do know is that we are living in days filled with historic and prophetic events. This meeting could very well carry immense significance behind it,

both militarily and spiritually.

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Christians, we are called to watch, pray and discern the world around us through a biblical perspective. While the details remain hidden, we must remain vigilant, trusting that God has revealed in His Word the signs that point to the return of Jesus Christ.

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## **Drone Chaos Returns: A Prophetic Sign of Wars and Rumors of Wars**

Denmark has been rocked by a wave of mysterious drone incursions that forced multiple airports to shut down, raising fears of hybrid warfare and drawing Europe closer to the edge of conflict. In prophetic terms, Jesus warned that in the last days there would be “wars and rumors of wars.” What is happening now across Europe echoes that warning with chilling clarity.

# Denmark Confronts Hybrid Threats

Overnight, drones were spotted near four airports, including Aalborg, Esbjerg, Sønderborg, and Skrydstrup. Aalborg, also a military base, was shut down for hours. Just two days earlier, Copenhagen Airport was forced into a four-hour lockdown after drones flew dangerously close to its runways.

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Danish leaders are considering invoking NATO Article 4, which calls for emergency talks when a member's security is threatened. Justice Minister Peter Hummelgaard admitted the country is facing "hybrid threats which are here to stay."

Defence Minister Troels Lund Poulsen added, "There can be no doubt that everything points to this being the work of a professional actor when we are talking about such a systematic operation in so many locations at virtually the same time. This is what I would define as a hybrid attack using different types of drones."

## Fear as a Weapon

Chaos is the goal. Cancelled flights, stranded travelers, and shuttered terminals create fear far beyond Denmark's borders. As one defense expert explained, "Whether it be cyber attacks or flying drones over an airport, it creates an atmosphere of distrust, subversion, and sabotage very quickly and very rapidly."



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These incidents show how easily daily life can be disrupted. They are not random. They are meant to test Europe's resilience and spread anxiety across the continent.

Yet Scripture reminds us that “God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and self-control” (2 Tim. 1:7 MEV). While the world trembles under the weight of uncertainty, believers are called to stand firm, refusing to be ruled by fear, and to walk in the strength and peace that come from the Lord.

## **A Pattern of Escalation**

The drone incursions come on the heels of cyberattacks that crippled airports in London, Brussels, and Berlin. Security analyst Anthony Glees said, “Without doubt, the Russians are behind these attacks on airports in London, Berlin and Brussels.”

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Meanwhile, Russia has escalated its provocations with fighter jets violating Estonian airspace and military planes buzzing close to Poland’s energy platforms. Former President Donald Trump warned these actions could cause “big trouble.” Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk went further, saying his country is closer to war “than at any time since the Second World War.”

## **Prophecy Unfolding**

From drones to cyber warfare to airspace violations, the world is witnessing a growing storm of instability. Jesus foretold such days would come, saying, “You will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled, for all these things must come to pass.”

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The fear spreading across Europe today is a reminder that prophecy is unfolding before our eyes in real time. These

hybrid attacks are not only testing NATO but also shaking the confidence of nations. They serve as a call to readiness and a reminder to fix our hope not on governments or alliances, but on the return of Jesus.

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## **Megyn Kelly Reveals Charlie and Erika Kirk Fought Back Against Jezebel's Curse**

Jerry Jenkins, best known as the co-author of the Left Behind series, says the signs of the times are drawing believers closer to the reality of Christ's return. In a recent Charisma Media interview, Jenkins reflected on prophecy, the legacy of his best-selling series and how Christians should respond to fear in light of global unrest.

"It's really bizarre to see how much closer we seem to be getting until Jesus comes," Jenkins said. "Every day we get closer. That's just a fact. God has an entirely different economy of time than we do. To him a thousand years is as a day and a day is as a thousand years. And so for us we're told to watch and wait for the imminent return. We're supposed to be warning people to not be left behind. And we're supposed to

watch and wait as if it could be today.”

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The Left Behind series recently marked its 30th anniversary. More than 60 million copies have been sold, and Jenkins noted it still reaches readers decades later. “It’s hard to believe this month marks 30 years since the first Left Behind title came out and it’s still selling to this day around 10,000 units a month. It just blows my mind.”

With current events often sparking speculation about prophecy, Jenkins said the key is remembering Scripture’s call to readiness. “We’ve had wars and rumors of wars and nation rising against nation for centuries. What’s different about it now? The thing I have to remind myself is that God has an entirely different economy of time than we do. That word imminent has been there for 2,000 years plus. So what does that mean to be imminent? To us that seems like a long time. To God that seems like the present. A day is as a thousand years and vice versa.”



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Speculation about the Antichrist is common, but Jenkins cautioned against assuming it is any current political leader. “Whoever is in the White House, whichever party is in, the other side writes and says, ‘Is this the Antichrist?’ And it really doesn’t make any difference whether it’s a Republican or Democrat. You hear from the other side and they go, ‘This has got to be the Antichrist.’”

He added that prophecy is clear the Antichrist will initially be seen as perfect and even worshiped, something no modern politician could claim. “I guess it’s possible it could be

somebody in who's a master of technology, maybe entertainment. We don't know. We do believe that it's someone with Roman blood. I don't see anybody on the scene right now who's revered that way."

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When asked about fear surrounding the end times, Jenkins spoke candidly. "I used to be a little more flippant in my answer about that and say, you know, we win in the end. Now, I happen to be a pre-tribber. I like to joke that I think pre-tribbers get to go first. But I also have very learned scholarly friends who are on the other end of the eschatology spectrum and say their mid-trib or their post-trib. The fact is we all agree Jesus said He was coming again and so we know He's coming again. When that is, that's not a sword I'm willing to fall on."

Jenkins acknowledged the reality of suffering and persecution that many believers face in the world today. "When I see stories like I'm seeing out of the Middle East where people are being tortured for their faith and some murdered for their faith, that is a fearful thing. It's not something I'd want to go through. But we can rest in the truth that in the end it will all turn out all right. Jesus will come back at some point and rescue us from this earth."

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For Jenkins, the final word is not fear but trust. "Don't be afraid. I mean, you may be afraid, but trust. Trust in the truth and the love of God."

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## **Israel's Prophetic Stand at the Center of the Nations**

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, is far more than a calendar celebration. In Scripture it is called Yom Teruah, the Day of Blowing the Trumpets, and it marks a time of judgment and renewal. The central command is simple yet profound: to hear the sound of the shofar.

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The piercing blasts of the ram's horn are meant to stir the heart toward repentance and reconciliation. Rabbis teach that making peace with God and others pushes back against the enemy. Many describe the sound as an alarm clock for the soul, awakening listeners to return to the Lord.



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The shofar itself carries deep symbolism. Traditionally made from a ram's horn, it recalls the story of Abraham and Isaac, when God provided a ram in place of sacrifice. Other horns may be used, but not from a cow, so as not to recall Israel's sin with the golden calf. Each horn requires careful craftsmanship, as every piece differs in size and thickness.

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During the month leading to Rosh Hashanah, the shofar is sounded daily in synagogues and at the Western Wall to give time for repentance. Historically, its blasts also marked the coronation of Israel's kings, foreshadowing the future reign of the Messiah. For many Christians, the shofar points to the return of Jesus and the establishment of His kingdom.

The sound of the shofar is a reminder that now is the time to turn back to God, make things right, and live in expectation of what is to come.

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If you want to learn more about the meaning of the shofar, be sure to watch the video above.

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## **3 End-Time Deceptions Every Christian Should Watch For**