

Why the Date of Trump's Visit to Israel Is Significant

Sundown May 23 marks the beginning of "Jerusalem Day," celebrated all over the world by Jews—the 50th anniversary of the day Jerusalem was reunified in 1967. President Donald Trump's first overseas trip since becoming president included a visit to Israel on this historic day.

You probably have seen part or all of the speech he gave at the Israel Museum. Both he and Prime Minister Netanyahu spoke about the deep mutual support our nations have. President Trump also spoke about laying a wreath at Yad Vashem, the museum to the Holocaust, and mentioned how moved he felt to be able to pray at the Western Wall—the first sitting U.S. President to do so.

The Jim Bakker Show asked me to record a commentary about Trump's visit to Israel that will air today on the show. I used that as a basis of a podcast (which you can listen to below) in which I talk about the significance of Donald Trump's visit, the importance of America supporting Israel and my gratitude that we now have a president who is steadfast in his love for Israel. What a wonderful change of direction from our years under President Obama, who snubbed Prime Minister Netanyahu when he visited Washington, D.C., a couple of years ago.

Last week, I wrote a newsletter about the docudrama *In Our Hands*, presented for one night only in theaters all over America. Producer Gordon Robertson of CBN said that soon, his company will take this production to many other nations. *In Our Hands* focuses on the wonderful miracle that happened in 1967 when, in fulfillment of prophecy, Jerusalem was reunified. On our calendar, it's in early June, but on the Jewish calendar, it's May 23-24.

✖ A Jewish friend sent me a link to a very moving short video about the miracle of the Six-Day War. I looked at it out of courtesy, but I liked it so much I sent it to Zionist friends, one of whom said the tears flowed as he watched it. I posted it on social media and include a link here, knowing it will bless anyone who watches it.

Over the years, I've had the privilege of raising hundreds of thousands of dollars for Israel. Most of it has come through our nonprofit partner, Christian Life Missions, which has a Bless Israel fund. Our current project supports ministries that help impoverished Jews, especially in the Ukraine, to make *aliyah* (move to) Israel. Although my newsletter is not a fund-raiser, I realize there are those reading this who love Israel and want to make a contribution, trusting our integrity that every dollar will go to Bless Israel. Go to and click on the huge Donate button, fill it out and pay through PayPal. You can also mail a check the old-fashioned way to Bless Israel, Christian Life Missions, 600 Rinehart Road, Lake Mary, FL 32746.

The significance of the 50th anniversary of this fulfillment of prophecy excites me so much that I decided to display one of the huge Israeli flags we've used for pro-Israel rallies on the front of our building. We hung it to make a statement, knowing most people would be a little confused about why we did it. We added a sign in our lobby that reads: "Why are we flying the Israeli flag? It is in honor of Jerusalem Day, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the day the vastly outnumbered Israeli army reclaimed and reunified the old city of Jerusalem during the Six-Day War."

Please listen to the podcast and share it with friends. Let's encourage the Christian community to be strong supporters of Israel and to pray, as Scripture commands, for the peace of Jerusalem. {eo}

