

Mike Pence: 'My Passion for Israel Springs From My Christian Faith'

Thousands of Christians descended on the nation's capital Monday for Christians United for Israel's 12th annual summit.

Mike Pence addressed the crowd, assuring them that both he and President Donald Trump are proud supporters of the Jewish state.

"And under President Donald Trump, if the world knows nothing else, the world will know this: America stands with Israel. Now and always," he said.

The vice president also revealed where his love for Israel comes from—not from Capitol Hill but from the very Word of God.

"To look at Israel is to see that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob keeps His promises," he said. "Like all of you, my passion for Israel springs from my Christian faith. The songs of the land and the people of Israel were the anthems of my youth. As for me and my house, we pray for the peace of Jerusalem and all who call her home. It's really the greatest privilege of my life to serve as vice president to a president who cares so deeply for our most cherished ally."

It was also very clear the alliance between Israel and America's leaders was founded on faith, but also common values like freedom and democracy.

"President Trump has made it clear: America stands shoulder-to-shoulder with Israel as together we confront those enemies who threaten our people, our freedom and our very way of life," he said.

Pence also made sure to address one issue that so many Christians supported when president Trump ran his campaign: the move of the United States Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

“I promise you that the day will come when President Donald Trump moves the American embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. It is not a question of if; it is only when,” he said to a standing ovation.

Christians United for Israel (CUFI) members will take to Capitol Hill on Tuesday to urge their Congress members and senators to follow Vice President Mike Pence and President Trump’s lead and support Israel. {eo}

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