

Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter - 1-7 November 2019

Monday 4th November is Yom HaAliyah (Aliyah Day). It is an Israeli national holiday celebrated annually on the seventh of the Hebrew month of Cheshvan, to commemorate the historic events which happened on the tenth of the Hebrew month of Nisan (the traditional day that Israel crossed the Jordan into the Promised Land). The holiday was established to acknowledge Aliyah, immigration to the Jewish state, as a core value of the State of Israel, and honour the ongoing contributions of Olim to Israeli society.

Please pray for those making Aliyah or who have arrived recently, they will face many challenges. **Please also pray for Jewish believers in Yeshua** who wish to make Aliyah. They face unreasonable opposition from the religious authorities and often need a miracle to get their residency.

Please pray for our work in Israel

- Our senior leadership structure is changing. Although Ari and Shira are still very much involved in leading Maoz, they are transitioning their role to Kobi and Shani Ferguson. They are bringing a new approach to our work, **please pray for them**.
- One area of importance is The Fellowship of Artists. This includes the development of modern Israeli worship and our **Music Making for Kids** project that develops young children in their vocal training and musicianship. Please pray for the Fellowship of Artists project.
- The Maoz team is working on creative ideas of reaching Israelis with God's message of love and redemption, **pray for wisdom and favour** in carrying out such activities that will have a lasting impact on people's lives in Israel.
- Pray for our Israeli team to develop increased **unity**

Focus: Meeting places for Messianic believers

Please pray for one of our biggest needs in Israel – property. It is very difficult for congregations to get premises to rent (and virtually impossible to purchase) because of the high cost, but also because the orthodox block premises being used by us. Pray this will change.

UK specific prayer points

The Brexit negotiations are continuing to dominate the political scene. But now the Government has called an election for 12 Decemeber. We are responsible to pray for our Government. It is, according to Paul in 1 Timothy 2 the 'first of all' of prayer. It is God's will that all people will hear the Gospel, this is facilitated when we have good government. With good government, we can live peaceable lives and people can hear the Gospel. **So please continue to pray for the UK Government.**

In particular, our desire is for national leaders who will be aligned with Gods purposes for our nation. One key alignment issue for the UK is our relationship with Israel, and **we ask you pray with us** that we will be a nation that stands with God's Covenant people

On Friday 8^h November at 7:00pm Brian will be speaking at The North Devon House of Prayer, Church Lane, Barnstaple, EX31 1BH. Please pray for this event, and if you are local – come along.

This month two Maoz partners churches are visiting Israel, seeing the Land but also bringing encouragement to those who lead our partner projects and visiting other believers. One of the tours is focussing on praying the borders. Please pray for these tours, from Abertridwr Community Church and City Church Cardiff, that they would be blessed and be a blessing.

Thank you for your prayers for Maoz – may the Lord bless you from Zion!

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Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter – 8-14 November 2019

The Feast of Tabernacles: It has been a joy to see members of about 100 nations come to Jerusalem for the Feast of Tabernacles.

- We bless our brothers and sisters as they return to their home nations with a burden to pray and intercede for Israel.
- The mandate to pray for Israel is diminishing in many places while it is increasing in others. May those who visited Israel transfer their passion to pray to other believers.
- **Pray for the believers in our nation to catch the vision to pray for Israel.**

Please pray for our work across the world

For the Maoz Israel team members and volunteers in Israel, the U.S., Canada, U.K., Brazil, Ireland, Germany, Mexico, Korea, and more.

The Maoz Hebrew Bible Project

One of our most ambitious projects, the translation of the Narrated Bible, is almost there. With gratitude to the Lord and all of our generous partners we have very nearly raised the full amount to complete this project that, we believe, will have an impact on Hebrew readers all across Israel. **Please pray that this project will quickly come to publication**, that there will be no delays to its publication.

Also, **please pray for our new Bible project**, The Action Bible. This is a Bible for children and young people, please pray that we can raise the necessary funds quickly to be able to complete this project.

Pray for believers in Israel

May they be strengthened with power in their inner being, so Messiah may dwell in their hearts through faith, and that they would know the love of Messiah (Ephesians 3:16-19)

Please pray that they would be filled with God's will, wisdom and understanding; live a life worthy of Him; bear fruit in every good work; have great endurance and patience; and be grateful (Colossians 2:6-7)

Please pray for protection, and that those around them would be drawn to Yeshua because of their love for Him and one another (John 17:11, 23)

Focus: Vladimir Siromyatnikov. Ashkelon. Church of the House of Peace. Maoz UK has had the privilege of supporting this ministry. Ashkelon is 30 miles south of Tel Aviv and 8 miles North of Gaza. With a population of nearly 150,000, Ashkelon was a major Caananite seaport. It is within the 20-30 second run range of rockets fired from Gaza and so many suffer from the stress of this threat.

Prayer points: Please pray for Vladimir and the leadership team there.

Please pray for wisdom and guidance for the future.

Please pray for health and wellbeing.

Please pray for the city, for its protection from rocket fire.

UK specific prayer points

Please pray for Maoz UKs connections with churches. One of our aims is to bring teaching that will help churches to receive a Biblically based, balanced view of Israel.

Please pray particularly for churches and leaders that have adopted replacement theology. The UK church would be healthier if this unbiblical view were not so prevalent.

Pray for your church, or the churches local to you. Pray that the leaders of these churches would have a high view of scripture and respect the truth of the Word of God.

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Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter – 15-21 November 2019

This week we start with **4 important points all based on scripture**, as we pray for Israel.

1. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6)
2. Pray for Israel's borders to be secure (Exodus 23:31a)
3. Pray for Jerusalem to be protected from being divided (Joel 3:2)
4. Pray for the people of Israel to come to know their Messiah, Yeshua (Psalm 40:7; Isaiah 53)

Please pray for our work in Israel

Indigenous Israeli Leadership - When Ari and Shira had two children in the late 1970's they did not fully grasp the significance that they would be taking part in birthing the first generation of Israeli believers born and raised in Israel in 2,000 years. Even today, as the second generation of Israeli-born believers is being raised up in Israel, there are at most a few thousand of them. Though by default they have a unique ability to understand how to reach Israelis, few of them are in positions of leadership in the Body.

We honour those who came, rooted themselves in Israel and planted solid works all over the Land. Now, we **pray for God to raise up mature Israeli-born leadership to lead and help shape the Body of Messiah in Israel.**

Please pray for Israel's borders. For continued protect from incursions from Hamas backed individuals from Gaza. For Iran backed militia and regular terrorist forces in Southern Lebanon and Iranian and Iranian forces in Syria. We are grateful for the stability along the Jordanian border and relative security on the border with Egypt. **Please pray that these last two will stay peaceful.**

Focus: Pastor Michael Biner, City of Life Messianic Congregation, Sderot (a border town near Gaza)

"Many members of our congregation especially suffer from these rocket attacks as we live so close to Gaza, but our faith sustains us through it all. Our prayers have been answered so many times, and we have seen incredible miracles take place. For example, a rocket fell in a public preschool kindergarten play area at 11 p.m. at night. Had that occurred during the daytime, countless mothers and young children could have been killed. I remember a rocket falling just 20 metres from my own window. A couple of more metres, and it would have landed in our living room. There is no question the Lord has protected us. We continue to pray and believe that God is faithfully watching over us."

UK specific prayer points

On Tuesday 19th November 7pm Brian and Elizabeth are heading off to Israel for one week. **Please pray for their visit.**

From 25th to 27th November Shira will be in the UK speaking at the Dovetail Shalom conference at Brunel Manor in Torquay, **please pray for her contribution to this event** and to her visit to the Republic of Ireland for a few day previous.

On Wednesday 20th Nov there will be a special prayer breakfast held in London for leaders of the UK's Jewish and Christian communities. One of our trustees, Phil Herklots, will be attending on behalf of Maoz UK. **Please pray for strategic connections.**

And please continue to pray for the election on 12th December. From Maoz UK point of view an important aspect is any Governments future policy towards Israel. We advise you to check out party manifestos and ask candidates what their policy would be towards Israel should they be elected. We are also concerned that any Government should have positive steps to combat anti-semitism.

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Maoz Israel UK Weekly Intercessors letter – 22-30 November 2019

The Middle East is in turmoil:

So much has shifted in Syria in the last several weeks that much of what is happening is unclear. Turkey has attacked the Kurds in north eastern Syria, the Kurds are making an agreement with the Assad regime, the Russians have moved into the bases abandoned by the Americans, the Americans are trying to broker a cease fire.

- Please pray for clear and accurate intelligence on what is happening in Syria and on our border. Please give wisdom and discernment to those who analyse this information.
- Please pray for protection for the Kurds in the midst of the shifts happening. Let them not run into the hands of evil.
- Please pray for angels on Israel's borders to protect Israel from being dragged into a war. May the soldiers on this border be strong and courageous and understanding of what they see.
- The boundaries of our neighbouring nations have been set by men. Use this confused time and set of events to realign them according to Your will.
- Forbid that ISIS should rise again.

Please pray for our work in Israel

Pray for our Maoz report as it goes out in 8 different languages and for decades has been one of the most respective and informative regular sources of prophetic information from the land. Please pray for Shira and the team as they pray and write the report.

Please pray for Shira who oversees the writing of the report as well as others who make contributions.

Please pray that the articles will be a blessing to the readers.

Please pray for the particular projects that we feature, that we will be able to raise the funds needed to complete them.

Focus: Pastor Shimon Pilner who leads 'Stream of God' congregation, in Arad

This is a Russian Speaking congregation in a pretty tough area. Arad has a large orthodox community, who in the past have been very difficult, disrupting meetings and through picketing and harassing individual believers. Telling lies and trying to get the believers into legal trouble.

Please pray for Shimon and the congregation to be strengthened. Pray that the people in the region will be drawn to the message they are preaching. **Pray for the Orthodox community** to come to know their Messiah. Let us stand with our brothers and sisters in prayer as they stand for God in Arad!

UK specific prayer points

Please pray for the Maoz UK trustees. We have 8 trustees, 5 in South East UK, 2 in Ireland and one in Israel. Please pray that the Lord will give them wisdom to govern and steer Maoz UK

Please pray for Maoz UK staff, Brian and Elizabeth, Colin, and Petra. May the Lord keep them healthy and focussed on His priorities.

Please pray for Maoz Partners, yes yourselves! Please pray the blessing and provision of the Lord for those who sacrificially give finances, prayer and time, to support the work of Maoz and Israel more generally.

Please pray that December will be a strong month for Maoz UK. As we go into the last month of the year we always have a focus on our Istandwithisrael humanitarian fund, which helps believers in need right across Israel.

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