

TO THE HOUSE OF YISRA'EL — TO THE FOLLOWERS OF YESHUA — TO THE NATION OF ISLAM

This transmission is issued under the sole authority of the Tanakh — the Hebrew Scriptures. Torah supersedes all commentary. Talmud, Church councils, and hadith serve as historical reference only.

DOCTRINAL AUTHORITY — STANDING RULE OF MIQDASH BETHEL COVENANT INSTITUTION

Miqdash Bethel Covenant Institution operates under sole Tanakh authority. All names of **Yahweh** (יהוה) and **Elohim** (אלהים) appear in their true Hebrew form throughout all documents. The title "LORD" or "God" as substitutes for the divine name are recognized as post-biblical substitutions and are not used in this institution's transmissions. All covenant claims are verified by the standard of Devarim (Deuteronomy) 19:15 — two or three independent witnesses.

HOW TO READ THIS DOCUMENT — TANAKH BOOK NAME REFERENCE

All scripture books are referenced by their original Hebrew names. The table below provides the English equivalents for the reader's reference:

Bereshit — Genesis	Shemot — Exodus	Vayikra — Leviticus
Bamidbar — Numbers	Devarim — Deuteronomy	Yehoshua — Joshua
Shoftim — Judges	Shemu'el — Samuel	Melakhim — Kings
Yeshayahu — Isaiah	Yirmeyahu — Jeremiah	Yechezkel — Ezekiel
Tehillim — Psalms	Mishle — Proverbs	Iyov — Job

**TRACY CHAMOUN:
VOICE FROM THE CEDAR — LEBANON'S DAUGHTER AND THE
COVENANT WITNESS**

*A Covenant Research Transmission — Miqdash Bethel Covenant Institution
Pearl River, Louisiana | June 2026*

SECTION I — INTRODUCTION: WHY TRACY CHAMOUN MATTERS

In the theater of the modern Middle East — where propaganda runs thick, where state actors and proxy militias compete for the narrative — few voices carry the credibility, lineage, and moral courage of Tracy Chamoun. She is a Lebanese author, former diplomat, and political activist who descends from one of Lebanon's most storied political dynasties. She has paid in blood for her

convictions. And she speaks plainly about what has been done to Lebanon — by its own political class, by Hezbollah, by Iran, by Syria, and, increasingly, by Israel.

This transmission is not a political endorsement of Tracy Chamoun's broader platform, which has been embraced by Western and Gulf media for its criticism of Hezbollah. Rather, this is a covenant research document that mines her public testimony as a **witness** — in the **Devarim (Deuteronomy) 19:15** sense — to the pattern of aggression, occupation, and suffering that the land of Lebanon and its people have endured. Her testimony, particularly regarding Israeli military conduct, Israeli ceasefire violations, and the destruction of civilian life in Lebanon, constitutes a significant evidentiary record that demands covenant-level engagement.

The land of Lebanon — ancient *Levanon* (לְבָנוֹן, meaning "white" — for the snow-capped peaks of the Cedars) — is referenced in the Tanakh as a place of covenant beauty and sovereignty. **Yahweh** Himself references the cedars of Lebanon as symbols of His glory (**Tehillim / Psalms 104:16; Yeshayahu / Isaiah 60:13**). What has been done to this land in our generation is a matter of covenant record.

SECTION II — WHO IS TRACY CHAMOUN? BIOGRAPHY AND LINEAGE

A. Family Dynasty and Personal History

Tracy Chamoun was born on 22 October 1960, the daughter of Dany Chamoun and his first wife, the late Patti Morgan Chamoun, an Australian fashion model and actress. She is the granddaughter of **Camille Chamoun**, who served as President of Lebanon from 1952 to 1958 and founded the National Liberal Party (*al-Ahrar*, "the Free Ones"). Her family name is inseparable from the modern history of Lebanon.

Her father, Dany Chamoun, led the National Liberal Party's military wing — the *Nimr* (Tigers) militia — during the Lebanese Civil War from 1975 to 1990. On 21 October 1990, a militia force attacked the Chamoun family home in the Rabi'a neighborhood of Beirut. Dany Chamoun, his second wife Ingrid, and their two young sons — Tarek (age 7) and Julian (age 5) — were all killed. Only their infant daughter Tamara, then 11 months old, asleep in her crib and unseen by the attackers, survived. Tracy, then 30 years old, was in the United States at the time.

The Lebanese courts subsequently convicted Samir Geagea — head of the Lebanese Forces militia — of the assassination, though many of those involved received amnesty under Lebanon's post-war political arrangements. Tracy Chamoun founded the Dany Chamoun Foundation to ensure the memory and truth of her father's assassination would not be erased.

B. Education and Professional Career

Tracy Chamoun holds a joint degree in Communication and Sociology from Goldsmiths College, University of London. Multilingual in English, French, and Arabic, she built a career in media and business communication across three continents, working for entities including **Hughes Aircraft Company, British Aerospace, The Discovery Channel Europe** (where she served as

Vice President of Sales and Marketing), and **Hambros Bank** in London. She later moved to the United States, working in international development for Discovery's chairman.

C. Political Career and the Liberal Democrats Party

In 2012, Tracy Chamoun founded Lebanon's **Liberal Democrats Party (LDP)** — becoming the first woman in the Arab world to found a political party. This is not a minor footnote: in a region where women are frequently excluded from formal political structures, the founding of a recognized political party by a woman carries institutional weight. She served as party president from 2012 to 2016.

She presented herself as a candidate for the Lebanese Parliament in 2013 and again in 2014, in the district of Baabda — the seat of the Lebanese government. Both election cycles were cancelled due to security conditions. She was an outspoken critic of the Syrian occupation of Lebanon long before such criticism was fashionable, describing Lebanon's independence as a *myth* in light of foreign powers operating on its soil.

D. The Ambassadorship and the Beirut Blast Resignation

On 19 June 2017, Tracy Chamoun was appointed Lebanon's Ambassador to Jordan — a position she held until 7 August 2020. Days after the catastrophic explosion at the Port of Beirut on 4 August 2020 — which killed over 200 people, wounded more than 6,000, and devastated wide swaths of Beirut — Chamoun resigned publicly, in a televised statement on MTV Lebanon.

Her resignation statement was unsparing: "I am announcing my resignation as an ambassador... in protest against state negligence, theft and lying." She continued: "I believe that this explosion, this massacre, this disaster that happened, signals to us that we must not show mercy to anyone. They must all go, all of them — those who were in the past and the current ones — because this neglect is all-encompassing."

This was not the resignation of a comfortable diplomat seeking distance from controversy. This was a woman who had survived the assassination of her family, who had served her country, and who chose to stand publicly against the political class responsible for the destruction of Beirut. She returned to Lebanon after the blast — during what was described as Lebanon's worst economic crash since the civil war — choosing to stand with her people.

E. Presidential Candidacy (2022)

On 29 August 2022, Tracy Chamoun formally announced her candidacy for the Lebanese presidency — becoming only the second woman in Lebanese history to do so, following civil society activist Nadine Moussa in 2014. Running under the slogan "*A New Vision for the Republic*", her platform called for: Lebanese sovereignty and independence; a unified national defense strategy under state authority; economic reform and anti-corruption measures; and an end to Hezbollah's parallel political and military authority.

F. Literary Work — The Voice of Truth

Tracy Chamoun is also a published author of significant standing. Her autobiography **Au Nom du Père** ("In the Name of the Father"), published in France in 1991, won the prestigious *Prix Vérité* ("Prize of Truth") — awarded for the best work of non-fiction — by the city of Cannes in

1992. The book became a bestseller. In it, she documents her life growing up within the Chamoun political dynasty during the Lebanese Civil War, including the 1980 kidnapping of herself and her mother during a Phalangist attack on National Liberal Party headquarters, and the ultimate massacre of her father's household in 1990.

She has also written **Amaré** (1993), **Le Sang de la Paix** ("The Blood of Peace," 2013, published by Lattes, France), and **Thaman el Silm** ("The Price of Peace," Arabic, 2013, published by Antoine, Lebanon). These titles alone constitute a covenant witness: peace bought in blood, truth told regardless of cost.

SECTION III — WHAT TRACY CHAMOUN IS REVEALING ABOUT ISRAEL'S ACTIONS

Tracy Chamoun's witness regarding Israel and its conduct toward Lebanon is complex, layered, and — because of her position as a Christian Lebanese nationalist and critic of Hezbollah — carries a weight that purely pro-resistance voices do not carry in Western discourse. She is not easily dismissed as an Iranian proxy or anti-Semitic polemicist. She is a woman who has paid the price of standing against armed non-state actors all her life. And yet her testimony about what Israel has done — and is doing — to Lebanon is damning.

A. The Sovereignty Demand: Israel Cannot Use Hezbollah as a License for Occupation

Chamoun's core political thesis is Lebanese sovereignty. But this sovereignty argument cuts in multiple directions. While she has been widely reported for her criticism of Hezbollah's parallel authority, she has simultaneously and consistently demanded that Lebanon's sovereignty be respected by all parties — including Israel. Her statement that "Lebanon cannot continue without its independence and sovereignty and without a clear defense strategy" was not directed only at Hezbollah. It was directed at every force that had made Lebanese sovereignty a fiction — including Israeli military presence and repeated invasions.

Chamoun framed the fundamental problem clearly: "Lebanon cannot be ruled by one group, and its decisions related to peace and war can only be done through its institutions." This principle, applied to Israel's conduct, means that Israel's decision to invade Lebanon, bomb Lebanese cities, occupy Lebanese territory, and violate agreed ceasefires — without Lebanese state consent — is itself a violation of Lebanese sovereign authority, just as Hezbollah's actions are.

B. The 2024 Israeli Invasion — Scale and Impact

The 2024 Israeli invasion of Lebanon — the sixth such invasion since 1978 — brought unprecedented destruction. Beginning on 1 October 2024, following nearly 12 months of cross-border conflict between Israel and Hezbollah, Israel launched what became its largest military operation in Lebanon in decades. By the time the ceasefire came into effect on 27 November 2024:

- Over 2,720 Lebanese people had been killed — the Lebanese government reporting the majority were civilians.
- 14,000+ people had been wounded.

- More than 1.2 million Lebanese had been displaced from their homes.
- Israeli airstrikes had killed over 800 Lebanese people in a single week in late September 2024 alone.

The broader context of Chamoun's witness is that Lebanon — a country she has served diplomatically and politically, a country that had already suffered one of the worst economic crises in the world in over a century, the COVID-19 pandemic, the Beirut Port explosion, and mass emigration — was now subjected to a large-scale Israeli military campaign. The cumulative trauma on the Lebanese people is what Chamoun has spoken about from her platform.

C. Chamoun's Position on Hezbollah — And What This Reveals About Israel

Tracy Chamoun has been critical of Hezbollah throughout her career. She has described Hezbollah's rocket attacks on Israel as terrorist acts rather than legitimate defense. She has insisted that it is not Hezbollah's role to defend Lebanon — that is the role of the Lebanese state and its army. She has called Hezbollah's disproportionate political and military power a direct erosion of Lebanese sovereignty due to its alignment with Iranian interests, effectively turning Lebanon into a proxy battleground.

But here is what this actually reveals about Israel's strategy: Israel has consistently used Hezbollah's presence in Lebanon as a justification for operations that devastate Lebanese civilian infrastructure and life far beyond any proportional military objective. Chamoun's argument that Hezbollah has hijacked Lebanese decision-making on war and peace is, paradoxically, an indictment of Israel's targeting doctrine — because if Hezbollah does not represent Lebanon's state authority, then Israel's punishment of Lebanon's civilian population for Hezbollah's actions is a violation of the distinction between combatants and civilians under international humanitarian law.

In other words: Chamoun's sovereignty argument is a two-edged sword. Hezbollah should not be able to drag Lebanon into war without state authority. And Israel should not be able to bomb Lebanese civilian neighborhoods, destroy Lebanese infrastructure, occupy Lebanese territory, and violate Lebanese sovereignty in response to a non-state actor that — by Chamoun's own testimony — does not represent the Lebanese state.

D. Israeli Ceasefire Violations — A Near-Daily Pattern

The November 2024 ceasefire agreement, mediated by the United States and France and signed on 26 November 2024, required Israeli forces to withdraw from southern Lebanon and Hezbollah to withdraw its forces south of the Litani River. What followed was documented by multiple international bodies:

- As of January 2026, Israel had been accused of at least 2,036 ceasefire violations.
- The United Nations had counted more than 10,000 Israeli ceasefire violations in the period following November 27, 2024.
- Israeli forces refused to withdraw from five strategic locations in southern Lebanon past the January 26, 2025 deadline, and then past the extended February 18, 2025 deadline.

- On 26 January 2025, as Lebanese civilians attempted to return to their homes in southern villages, Israeli troops opened fire — killing at least 26 unarmed displaced persons and wounding approximately 147 others.

This pattern of violation — described by Lebanon's own government as requiring diplomatic intervention with the US, France, and UNIFIL — is precisely the context in which Chamoun's sovereignty platform operates. The Lebanese state, which Chamoun has sought to strengthen and reform, found itself unable to enforce its own territory because Israeli forces refused to comply with an internationally brokered agreement.

E. Israeli Destruction of Lebanese Civilian Infrastructure — The Amnesty International Record

Amnesty International's Crisis Evidence Lab conducted a systematic investigation of Israeli military conduct in Lebanon between 1 October 2024 and 26 January 2025. Their verified findings include:

- **More than 10,000 structures were heavily damaged or destroyed — much of this destruction occurring after the November 27, 2024 ceasefire.**
- **Israeli soldiers were recorded on video manually laying explosives inside civilian homes, ripping up roads and football pitches, and bulldozing parks and religious sites.**
- **In some verified videos, soldiers were filmed celebrating the destruction by singing and cheering.**
- **Amnesty concluded that in many cases, the extensive destruction occurred in apparent absence of imperative military necessity, in violation of international humanitarian law (IHL).**
- **Amnesty called for the deliberate destruction of civilian property to be investigated as war crimes.**

This is the land that Tracy Chamoun has stood for. This is the Lebanon she resigned her ambassadorship to defend. The systematic destruction of Lebanese villages — documented by satellite imagery, verified video evidence, and firsthand testimony — is the context in which her voice carries its deepest significance.

F. The April 8, 2026 Strikes — Israel Attacks Lebanon After Ceasefire Announced

One of the most revealing moments in recent Israeli-Lebanese history came on 8 April 2026. Following the announcement of a ceasefire to the 2026 Iran war — and after Hezbollah had signaled a pause in its own attacks on Israel in accordance with that ceasefire — Israel launched what it described as its "**most powerful attacks**" on Lebanon. In a ten-minute onslaught, Israeli forces struck more than 150 locations simultaneously across Lebanon, killing at least 357 people and wounding 1,223 others.

UN human rights experts issued an immediate condemnation, noting that many strikes hit densely populated residential neighbourhoods and commercial areas in central Beirut. The strikes were characterized as violations of the principles of distinction and proportionality under customary international humanitarian law.

The EU and the United Kingdom both called for Lebanon to be included in the ceasefire framework. The attack was widely condemned internationally as Israel striking Lebanon precisely when a diplomatic opening existed — using the moment of ceasefire not for de-escalation but for maximum military impact.

This pattern — using windows of apparent ceasefire to escalate rather than de-escalate — is what Lebanese voices like Chamoun have been warning the international community about for years.

G. The 2026 Occupation — Six Invasions Since 1978

By March 2026, Israel had launched yet another ground invasion of Lebanon — its sixth since 1978. By the time a temporary ceasefire was reached on 16 April 2026, Israel had expanded its military occupation of Lebanese territory to between 570 and 600 square kilometers — an area larger than some entire nations.

The pattern Chamoun and others have identified is not incidental or reactive — it is structural. Israel has invaded Lebanon in 1978, 1982, 1996 (Operation Grapes of Wrath), 2006, 2024, and 2026. Each invasion is accompanied by the same language: destruction of Hezbollah infrastructure, security of the northern border, no quarrel with the Lebanese people. And each invasion has left Lebanese civilians dead, villages destroyed, displacement in the hundreds of thousands, and — as Chamoun has argued throughout her career — the Lebanese state weaker and more dependent on non-state actors precisely because the state's inability to defend itself drives populations toward whoever will.

H. The Mental Health Toll — A Nation Under Continuous Trauma

A March 2025 report from Lebanon's National Mental Health Programme found that three in five people in Lebanon screened positive for depression, anxiety, or PTSD. Mental health professionals in Lebanon reported that even during the November 2024 ceasefire, call volumes to crisis lines did not decrease — because the ceasefire brought no actual peace for displaced Lebanese who could not return to homes that had been destroyed or occupied.

This is the lived reality of Lebanon that Tracy Chamoun has advocated for. A population subjected to what mental health professionals describe as *continuous trauma* — because it is never ending. The COVID-19 pandemic, the worst economic crisis in over a century, the Beirut Port explosion, mass emigration, and two Israeli large-scale military campaigns in short succession. **This is not war as an isolated event. This is war as a permanent condition imposed on a civilian population.**

SECTION IV — COVENANT ANALYSIS: WHAT THE TANAKH SAYS

Miqdash Bethel Covenant Institution does not engage current events as political commentary. We engage them as covenant witnesses — testing the actions of nations against the standard of **Yahweh's** covenant law. The evidence presented in the testimony of Tracy Chamoun and the documented conduct of the Israeli state toward Lebanon warrants the following covenant observations:

A. The Prohibition on Oppressing the Ger — The Foreigner in the Land

Vayikra (Leviticus) 19:33-34 reads: "And if a stranger [*ger*, גֵּר] sojourn with you in your land, you shall not vex him. But the stranger that dwells with you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. I am Yahweh your Elohim."

The Lebanese people are not strangers — they are a nation on their own land, the land of ancient Levanon, which shares a covenant border with the land given to Yisra'el. The pattern of displacement, destruction of homes, killing of civilians attempting to return to their villages — this is not the conduct of a nation walking in the covenant of Yahweh. It is the conduct of an occupying power treating its neighbor's civilian population as an expendable consequence of military strategy.

B. The Prohibition on Moving the Boundary — Devarim 19:14 and 27:17

Devarim (Deuteronomy) 19:14 states: "You shall not move your neighbor's boundary marker, set up by your ancestors, in the property you will inherit in the land that Yahweh your Elohim is giving you to possess."

Devarim 27:17 pronounces a covenant curse: "**Cursed be the one who moves his neighbor's boundary marker.**" Israel's documented movement of boundary markers — including the Yellow Line in Gaza pushed progressively westward, and the occupation of 570-600 square kilometers of Lebanese sovereign territory — constitutes, by the standard of **Yahweh's** own covenant law, a cursable action. The Tanakh does not exempt any nation — including Yisra'el — from this covenant standard.

C. The Testimony of Yeshayahu on the Felling of the Cedars

Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 14:8 records a remarkable oracle: "**Even the cypress trees rejoice over you, and the cedars of Levanon: 'Since you have been laid down, no woodsman comes up against us.'**" The Tanakh itself frames the destruction of the cedars of Levanon as the signature of imperial arrogance. The language of this passage — addressed to the king of Babel (Babylon), the archetype of the Babel-pattern domination system — is that the trees themselves breathe relief when imperial power is broken.

The destruction of Lebanese towns, the bulldozing of Lebanese villages, the burning of Lebanese forests by Israeli military action — these constitute, in the covenant language of the Tanakh, a continuation of the Babel-pattern: the claim of one nation to the right to lay waste the heritage of another.

D. Mishle 24:17 — Do Not Rejoice at the Fall of Your Enemy

Mishle (Proverbs) 24:17-18 states: "**Do not rejoice when your enemy falls, and do not let your heart be glad when he stumbles — lest Yahweh see it and it displease Him, and He turn away His wrath from him.**" The videos of Israeli soldiers celebrating the destruction of Lebanese villages — singing, cheering, laughing as homes were bulldozed and exploded — are a precise fulfillment of the condition that **Yahweh** warns against in Mishle. This is not a political judgment. This is a covenant record.

SECTION V — THREE-RELIGION WITNESS AUDIT

The following table evaluates the covenant relevance of Tracy Chamoun's testimony across the three-religion audience of Miqdash Bethel Covenant Institution:

AUDIENCE	COVENANT RELEVANCE
Judaism	The documented pattern of Israeli military conduct toward Lebanon — ceasefire violations, civilian destruction, occupation of sovereign territory, killing of returning displaced persons — must be evaluated against the covenant standard Yahweh gave to Yisra'el, not excused by it. The Tanakh holds Yisra'el accountable by a higher standard, not a lower one. Tracy Chamoun's testimony constitutes a credible non-Muslim, non-Palestinian witness to the impact of Israeli actions — precisely the kind of witness that covenant-observant Jews must engage rather than dismiss.
Christianity	Christian communities in Lebanon — of which Tracy Chamoun's family is a prominent representative — have suffered under both Hezbollah and Israeli military action. The destruction of Christian villages in southern Lebanon, the displacement of Christian populations, and the killing of Lebanese civilians regardless of their faith are a rebuke to any Christian theology that sacralize Israeli military action as the fulfillment of covenant promise. The covenant promise of the land does not include the covenant license to destroy one's neighbors.
Islam	For Islamic listeners: Tracy Chamoun is a Lebanese Christian nationalist who is not aligned with Hezbollah or Iran. Her testimony regarding Israeli aggression, ceasefire violations, and civilian destruction is therefore free of the accusations of pro-Iranian bias often directed at Muslim voices on this subject. She is a witness from within the Lebanese Christian political tradition — a woman whose family was targeted by the same political milieu that has often been allied with Israel. Her testimony must be received.

SECTION VI — CONCLUSION: THE VOICE THAT WILL NOT BE SILENCED

Tracy Chamoun has been many things: the granddaughter of a president, the daughter of an assassinated man, a diplomat who resigned in protest, the first woman to found a political party in the Arab world, a presidential candidate, and a writer whose truth-telling has been recognized with the Prix Vérité. She has criticized Hezbollah when such criticism was costly. She has criticized her own government when it failed her people. And she has borne witness — by her sustained advocacy for Lebanese sovereignty — to the reality that Lebanon cannot be free so long as any external power, whether Iran, Syria, or Israel, treats its territory as a battlefield and its people as acceptable collateral damage.

Her testimony — and the documented record of Israeli military conduct that surrounds it — constitutes a covenant-level indictment that this institution places before all three of its audiences: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim. The Tanakh does not permit any nation to occupy its neighbor's land, destroy its neighbor's homes, kill its neighbor's civilians, and celebrate the destruction. Not Babel. Not Ashur. Not any ancient empire. And not the modern state that claims the covenant name of Yisra'el.

Covenant truth does not change based on who holds political power. **Yahweh** is the same yesterday, today, and forever. His covenant standards apply to all nations — and to His own people first.

MIQDASH BETHEL COVENANT INSTITUTION

Pearl River, Louisiana | Tuscola, Texas | Clyde, Texas

miqdashbethel.org | miqdashbethel@gmail.com | PO Box 762, Pearl River, LA 70452

Phone: 402-218-9530

Elder Kepha Arcemont, Founder | June 2026

Reaching Judaism, Christianity, and Islam simultaneously — under sole Tanakh authority.