#### APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH

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News headlines related to biblical prophecies about the end times.

# The Post-American Era

The Ripple Effect of Afghanistan. What we have been watching this last week in Afghanistan is a game-

With America's blunders in Afghanistan, our nation is greatly weakened. Our allies do not trust us. Our enemies do not fear us. Some are calling this the beginning of the Post-American Era. Now we can see why America is not prominent in biblical endtimes prophecies.

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changing moment. Not since the fall of the Berlin Wall and the collapse of

> the Soviet

Union have we witnessed this big an alteration in the geopolitical landscape. These past days have seen the end of America as the world's number one superpower and have left us in what now can be considered a Post-American Era. America under this present administration is. as one Chinese TV host put it, a "paper tiger". It may look big and scary on the outside, but when an Islamist terrorist army came marching to Kabul, rather than standing up against it, the U.S. military continued its pull out, abandoning its friends and allies and breaking its promises. When the new administration came in they immediately canceled the deal brokered by our previous president between the Afghanis and the Taliban. In its place, they presented nothing. They just began to pull out and figured the Afghanis could take care of themselves. The Taliban, seeing the deal gone, decided to take

over. Now **China** is flexing its muscles and increasing its threats against Taiwan. Don't look to the US to protect you. China also is prepared to enter Afghanistan to help fix the mess that the Americans left behind. They've also worked out a deal with the Taliban to mine and exploit the "estimated \$1-3 trillion of rare minerals" in the country, giving the Taliban a cut. And what about a "short cut" for the China Silk Road, and an oil pipeline? (Hal Turner Radio Show. 8/20/21) The map tells it all . A pipeline and road into Iran could make China's participation in the final battle of



Arrmageddon much easier (GaryFollett 8/22) The ripple of Afghanistan has reached the shores of the hermit kingdom of **North Korea** who has been waiting for a weak or distracted America. It now has both. **Iran** is riding the ripple by going full bore on its uranium enrichment. This ramping up had already begun with the advent of the new US administration and the return to negotiations. They have reached the 60% threshold and are rapidly moving towards the 90% needed for weapons grade uranium. The ripples are rolling north to a country that knows a little about leaving Afghanistan in ignominious defeat, **Russia**. They've been there, done that, and just under three years after their departure the USSR dissolved. **Ukraine** is wondering how long it will be before Vladimir Putin stops knocking at the door and just kicks it down. **Turkey's** President Erdogan also covets his part of the new Afghanistan hoping to be the Sunni Islam presence in the nation's rebuilding alongside secular Russia and China. Which brings us to the last of the pertinent states feeling the ripple. It is also the most important, **Israel.** Israel is in real trou-

ble right now. Washington, their greatest ally, is weak. The new Israeli "government of change" is pitifully weak. Russia doesn't respect them. Iran is tweeting out threats. Israel is in a more precarious position today than it has been for many years. They are isolated, and the enemy is at their gates. (beholdisrael.org/Amir Tsarfati

### Prophetic Dominoes - EU Army Back on Table After

**Afghanistan Fiasco.** Many Bible prophecy scholars have commented on the significance of the Afghanistan pullout in relationship to passages in Ezekiel 38, as well as the potential ramifications of America's status on the world stage, but few had imagined a renewed call in Europe for the formation of an EU Army.

(prophecynewswatch.com 9/7) <u>Taiwan Fears</u> <u>Becoming the Next Chess Piece</u> <u>that the U.S. Will Cast Away</u> <u>Following Vietnam, Afghani-</u>

stan. (endtime.com 8/20)

# God is The Only Answer

**Turning to Astrology.** James Alcock, psychology professor at York University suggests that tumultuous times tend to prompt people to turn to spiritualism and the occult. Interest in the occult was already increasing before the pandemic with the chaotic political climate in the US and existential issues like climate change haunting the global consciousness" (CNN, August 19, 2021). Social media platforms like TikTok have enabled a wave of interest in

astrology and the occult. One astrology app has been downloaded 20 million times in the United States alone, even without advertising! One online "spiritual" guide's following increased from 50,000 to 300,000 during the pandemic. People are using astrology and occult practices in an attempt to add some sense of connection and meaning, however illusory, to their lives, a desire to reach out and connect with each other and touch parts of their existence that can't be understood or controlled (twnews&prophecy.com 9/3)

# Interment/Resettlement Camps in America?

#### Why is the National Guard Hiring Internment/Resettlement Specialists?

The National Guard is hiring Internment/ Resettlement Specialists. Let that sink in. Editors note: the National Guard has now removed the job listing. However, we have captured the screenshots to validate it. The Organic Prepper acquired this link from IN-DEED posting this position for the National Guard on 08/16/2021 before the Afghan withdrawals. What does an Internment/ Resettlement Specialist do? According to the National Guard website. OVERVIEW: Internment/resettlement specialists are primarily responsible for day-to-day operations in a military confinement/correctional facility or detention/internment facility. JOB DUTIES: Supervise confinement and detention operations, provide external security to facilities, provide counseling/guidance to individual

prisoners within a rehabilitative program, manage and maintain prisoners/internees and their programs. SKILLS LEARNED: Military laws and jurisdictions, self-defense and use of firearms, interpersonal communications skills, Search/restraint and custody/control procedures. WHY is there a need for Internment/ Resettlement Specialists? Either the National Guard very quickly filled those positions, or someone is attempting to hide something. The links now all state: ZERO JOBS FOUND. So, why on earth would a military branch primarily designed to remain within US borders need Internment/Resettlement Specialists? Surely the idea of people forcibly being rounded up and sent to camps is ludicrous. Isn't it?

The shielding approach, recently presented by the CDC, aims to reduce the number of severe COVID-19 cases by limiting contact between individuals at higher risk of developing severe disease ("high-risk") and the general population ("low-risk"). High-risk individuals would be temporarily relocated to safe or "green zones" established at the household, neighborhood, camp/sector, or community level depending on the context and setting. They would have minimal contact with family members and other low-risk residents. The CDC's document gives suggestions for effective implementation. For example: It may be necessary to assign someone within the green zone, if feasible, to minimize movement in/out.

What are we to believe is the purpose of Internment/Resettlement Specialists? Was this just a benign job posting typical for the military to have? (However, as stated before, the National Guard removed the postings.) Or is there something else going on here? (prophecynewswatch.com 8/23)

# **Human Decisions Contrary to God's Word**

Harvard University Hires Atheist to Be Chief University Chaplain. Harvard University was founded as Harvard College in 1636. Its stated purpose was: "To train a literate clergy." Among its mottos were, "Veritas Christo et Ecclesiae" (truth for Christ and Church) and "In Christam Gloriam" (to the glory of Christ). Now, Harvard has hired an atheist as its chief chaplain. (prophecynewswatch.

#### com 8/31)

Prestigious Medical Journal Promotes Instant-Death Euthanasia Implant for Dementia Patients. An article published by the Hastings Center Report authored by Margaret Battin and Brent Kious of the University of Utah, a peer-reviewed medical journal examining issues of bioethics, advocated for an "advance directive implant" (ADI) for elderly people with dementia or Alzheimer's disease. the ADI is a timer-based implant that would kill the patient automatically without any subsequent intervention required from a medical professional. This device "an implanted timebomb" was developed by The Netherlands where a quarter of the deaths are due to euthanasia. (israel365news.com 8/20)

### **Extreme Weather and Natural Disasters**

Weather Extremes Go Global. A German author recently noted, "July and August 2021 have been marked by extreme weather conditions—from drought and fires in Southern Europe, Russia and North America to severe flooding in Western Europe, Africa and Asia" (Deutsche Welle, August 10, 2021). Flooding and drought are on the rise around the globe! In Algeria, forest fires are burning villages and killing rescue workers (AP, August 10, 2021). In Greece, unprecedented fires and soaring temperatures have created "apocalyptic" conditions in and around Athens and ravaged several islands, forcing evacuations (The Guardian, August 7, 2021). Severe fires are burning in Siberia, California, Canada, northern Israel, and southern Lebanon. In the Andes in the Southern Hemisphere, winter snowpacks are extremely low (The Guardian, August 5, 2021), suggesting devastating fires should be expected this summer. Droughts lead to low crop yields and reduced supplies of hay, forcing ranchers to cull herds and perhaps to look for supplemental income to offset their financial losses (AP, July 26, 2021). Warming rivers are resulting in massive fish die-offs (AP, July 27, 2021). Some of the world's leading climate experts warn that the extremes of drought and flooding will continue if the planet continues to heat up (National Geographic, August 9, 2021).

<u>Hurricane Ida.</u> The remnants of Hurricane Ida dumped flooding rain, spawned tornadoes across the Northeast and caused dozens

of deaths in areas where the storm landed. So far in the Northeast, at least 48 deaths have been attributed to the storm. Overall, there have been at least 61 deaths across eight U.S. states related to Ida. (bing.com)

Thousands Face Weeks Without Power in Ida's Aftermath.

### Thousands of Earthquakes During August, 2021.

Magnitude 8+: 1 earthquake Magnitude 7+: 4 earthquakes Magnitude 6+: 12 earthquakes Magnitude 5+: 312 earthquakes Magnitude 4+: 1249 earthquakes

Magnitude 3+: 4757 earthquakes

Magnitude 2+: 8451 earthquakes (volcanodiscovery.com)

On August 14, 2021, a 7.2 mag earthquake struck Haiti across several major cities causing massive damage and death. This is another major setback in a country struggling with political instability, Covid-19, food insecurity, and now a devastating earthquake. (secure.projecthope.com)

### Crews Search for Missing in Tennessee Deluge that Killed

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