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Millions of Christians Pray From Jerusalem and Unite in Prayer Globally During The Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem

On October 2, 2011, Dr. Robert Stearns with Eagles’ Wings led Christians globally to Pray for Peace in Jerusalem and for the Urgent Needs of Everyone in the City and Region!


Millions of Christians united across denominational, cultural, and political differences on Sunday, October 2, joining together for prayer. The Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem (DPPJ) (www.daytopray.com) invokes God’s blessing and provision upon all of Jerusalem’s people. Globally, from over 200 nations, Christians gathered to intercede during their worship services, in their homes, on college campuses, and in larger regional gatherings.

They also gathered by the tens of thousands watching the service on GOD TV. The televised DPPJ Jerusalem gathering included Arab, Jewish, and Christian leaders and was broadcast to over 200 nations on GOD TV Satellite network.

The multi-national and religiously diverse character of this global prayer movement—Co-Chaired by Rev. Robert Stearns, founder/director of Eagles’ Wings, and Dr. Jack Hayford, President of The King’s College and Seminary in Van Nuys, California – was uniquely reflected in the Jerusalem gathering where Christians from scores of nations prayed on the Haas Promenade, overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem.
Founder and Co-Chairman of the Day of Prayer for the Peace of Jerusalem, Rev. Stearns said, “God is uniting people in prayer and faith, so that the atmosphere over this city will change, that the climate over this city will change!” Stearns prayed, “Lord, from Jerusalem to the nations, let the word of God go forth with power and strength and glory!” He declared that the initiative in prayer and feeding the hungry in Israel was not ending with the Day of Prayer but just beginning.

Joining Stearns, the Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem – Honorable Naomi Tsur declared, “Jerusalem is a city for all of its residents. Jerusalem is a city that cannot be divided, but must be shared... By praying for the peace of Jerusalem, we can all achieve that end.”

Representing Palestinian Arab Christians, Maher Canawati announced to the gathering of over 650 participants, “As a Christian Palestinian, I came here this afternoon to pray for the peace of Jerusalem. God, Lord Jesus, we ask you to give our leaders wisdom to achieve peace [in Jerusalem].”

From the Prime Minister’s Office of Israel, Gila Gamliel dramatically read from Isaiah, “Your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. Your heart shall triumph and exalt… for the wealth of the nations has come to you.” She proceeded to proclaim, “We have a mission to save Jerusalem… Jerusalem is the capital of Israel, because of King David. In spite of continuous attempts [against the city], Jerusalem the city of God will never again be divided!”

Mr. Josh Reinstein, Director of the Knesset Christian Allies Caucus emphatically remarked, “Here in Jerusalem, the undivided capital of the state of Israel… We all know that the only answer [for Jerusalem] cannot be political, but Biblical. This story of Jerusalem… has been foretold… We need to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, we need to stand for Jerusalem, and we need to act for Jerusalem.”

Robert Stearns presented a check for $10,000 to the leaders of the two Eagles’ Wings Feeding Centers which feed both Jewish and Arab poor in Jerusalem and Tiberias. Rev. Rick Ridings, Founder of Succat Hillel prayed, “We proclaim that the Lord… foils the plans of the nations – he thwarts the purposes of the people. But the plans of His heart endure through all generations” (Psalm 33:10-11).
International Christian leaders lifted a chorus of prayer to the heavens for Jerusalem’s peace including Rev. Rebecca Brimmer, International President and CEO of Bridges for Peace; Father Octavio Gomez, The House of Mambre; and Reverend Yonathan Wiryohadi, Sr. Pastor and Founder of Gereja Bethel Indonesia World Transformation Church.

Additionally, millions participated by praying in homes and special services; it is estimated that 200 nations and over 300,000 churches participated throughout October 2nd. Prayer rose to the heavens from cities and rural villages, from huts and mansions, cathedrals and simple church buildings, and from underground gatherings and over a dozen college campuses.

Here are some facts from the DPPJ 24-hour prayer call:

Throughout the 24 hours of October 2, over 200 believers also prayed together through an internet “virtual prayer room” created by the 24-Hour DPPJ Prayer Conference Call (www.greatercalling.org). Christians prayed globally. In the USA, over 600 callers representing 32 states prayed for 24 hours during the Day of Prayer and were joined by intercessors from many nations including Kenya, UK, Netherlands, Canada, and Germany. The Lord was praised, shofars were blown, and the people raised their voices in one accord. There were a couple people who stayed on the line for almost 6 hours straight! Believers sang in their native tongues and wept as they prayed for the peace of Jerusalem and all her people groups.

Rabbi Micah Goodman was moved by the millions of Christians praying worldwide for Israel, “When I realize with what passion millions of Christians are praying for Jerusalem, I remember that Jews are also praying for Jerusalem... God is uniting us! It is possible that humanity is sensing that something is imminent in this city. Jerusalem is uniting humanity. The Judeo-Christian tradition is awakening now. There is a lot of hunger, a lot of misery now... but together we can dream again to make this world a better place.”

Note to Editors: More details can be found at www.daytopray.com.