



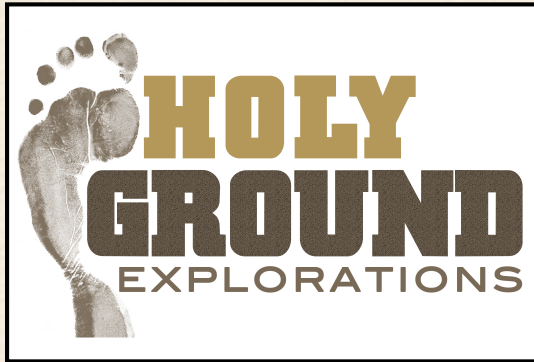
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A Word from Dan

- ❖ We are currently on our inaugural Holy Ground Explorations 'Journey Thru Israel' tour. For this week's KFIR Middle East Update, we have provided the following Pdf Powerpoint, but our YouTube video will hopefully give you a feel for what we are experiencing here in Israel. We ask you all to be praying for the peace of Jerusalem!
- ❖ We have seen what CNN and BBC have been presenting and are appalled by the pro-Palestinian biased reporting.
- ❖ Our Group will be leaving on Wednesday and I will do a more comprehensive KFIR Middle East Update once I return stateside. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

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REFLECTIONS FROM OUR JOURNEY thru ISRAEL TOUR

As we come to the end of our first HGE Tour, I am wondering ...*"will we ever be here again?"*

For me, the Land has been different this time around, Israel seems silent, the laughter in the streets is gone and the people of the Land seem to be in hiding. The people of the Land as well as the Land itself are two of the main components that supplement a Journey thru Israel. For us, on the first night of our Tour I always talk about the importance of tuning into the three songs that will be sung during one's time in Israel: the song of the People, the song of the Land and the song of the Lord.

I trust that all or our folks who traveled with us this time heard the song of the Lord and maybe even the faint sounds of the song of the Land BUT the vibrant joyful song of the people has been silenced by another round of random violence by those who hate the Jewish people. I wonder if this trend will stop or will it totally spin out of control? One thing for certain, Sharon and I will always bring Groups to this Land, but sometimes I wonder if we have started down a pathway that will see all the nations of the world turn on Israel leaving the Israelis completely isolated?

Headlines

A member of Israel's Knesset and author of two books on suicide bombers told The Algemeiner on Monday that "girls are useful as terrorists, because they appear less suspicious than their male counterparts,

Fatah brought soil from Al-Aqsa to grave of murderer who stabbed 2 to death in Jerusalem "so that the dead body... can hug the soil for which he died a Martyr"

We are witnessing a kind of infectious disease of terrorism that is passed from one zombie to another. Boaz Bismuth | More forces in the field?

Biased Media Refuse to Report that Palestinians are Killing Israelis

Facebook Refuses to Remove 'Stab Israelis' Page, then Yields to Pressure

'Jerusalem terrorists planned to hijack bus,' says witness. Two were stabbed to death, a 78 year old man and a 45 year old.



- ❖ As of Thursday evening, some 10,000 Israelis had signed a petition, launched by Shurat HaDin-The Israel Law Center, indicating their desire to join a class-action suit against Facebook for acting as an accomplice to terror.
- ❖ An Arab boy critically wounds a Jewish boy, and after the security forces stop him so that he cannot continue with his stabbing spree, he is turned into a martyr who was supposedly executed, having done no wrong ...
- ❖ Jubilant Palestinians Hand Out Candy to Celebrate Deadly Attack in Beer Sheva; Hamas Calls Carnage 'Heroic Act'
- ❖ The Islamic State group released a new video Sunday focusing on the wave of terrorism in Israel and tensions surrounding Al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem and urging a more "aggressive jihad against the Jews."
- ❖ "Fight the Jews any way you can. Terrorize them with explosive devices, tear them to shreds. Cut off the Jews' heads," an Islamic State operative asserts on the video.
- ❖ Op-ed: In bloody, unmistakable capital letters, the perpetrators of this new round of evil mayhem proclaim to Israelis: We don't want to live alongside you. We want to kill you



John Kerry ... Please Stay Home!

- ❖ Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) called on Secretary of State John Kerry to resign over recent comments by senior Obama administration officials accusing Israel of committing "terrorism" amid a spate of Palestinian terror attacks against Israelis, the Washington Free Beacon reported Thursday.
- ❖ Palestinian terrorists have committed multiple terror attacks against Israel over the past weeks, with Palestinian leaders calling on Palestinians to commit more violence, but State Department spokesmen and Kerry have issued several statements placing the onus on Israel.
- ❖ Kerry blamed Israel's construction in Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria for the "Palestinian frustration" and violence, while State Department spokesman John Kirby accused Israel of using excessive force" against terrorists.
- ❖ "Once again Secretary Kerry and his staff have proven themselves utterly unfit for the positions they hold," Cruz told the Free Beacon. "Mr. Kirby should immediately retract his offensive assertion that Israel is 'guilty of acts of terror' or resign, and Secretary Kerry should immediately disavow these remarks or resign."
- ❖ "The Obama Administration is the most hostile we have seen towards the nation of Israel in our nation's history," Cruz said. "In the last few days, this obsessive antagonism has been on full display."



IDF Called Up



- ❖ Six companies of Israeli soldiers were mobilized in Jerusalem Wednesday, as the IDF joined efforts to secure the city following an escalation in the violence there. The move is part of a slew of measures passed by the security cabinet overnight Tuesday aiming to prevent further terror attacks after the deadliest day so far in the current wave of unrest.



Coordinated Attacks?

- ❖ In the wake of Tuesday's multiple attacks in Jerusalem and Ra'anana, in which three Israelis were killed and dozens wounded, the Israeli defense establishment assessed that they were not perpetrated by "lone wolves," Israeli website NRG reported later the same day.
- ❖ That the attacks all occurred within about an hour and a half of one another at different pre-selected locations aroused the suspicion that this round of Palestinian and Israeli-Arab terrorism was not random and individual, as previous shootings, stabbings, rock-throwing and car-rammings seemed to be, but rather backed and organized.



Iranian Underground Missile Base

- ❖ An underground Iranian missile launch base unveiled in recent days enables the Islamic Republic to store and covertly fire surface-to-surface missiles, a senior Israeli defense expert said.
- ❖ Tal Inbar, head of the Space Research Center at the Fisher Institute for Air and Space Strategic Studies in Herzliya, spoke on Wednesday after Iranian state television released images of large caves storing long-range missiles on-board mobile launches. He described the underground facility, whose location is unknown, as a "complex system of enormous tunnels."
- ❖ These allow Iran to fire its missiles from underground, through surface vents. "The cave system enables the Iranians to prepare their missiles for firing secretly, and to carry out a surprise missile barrage attack," he warned.
- ❖ The video showed "an extensive tunnel packed with medium- and long-range missiles and launcher units," the British network said. "The Guard said the missiles were on their launch pads, ready to be fired in the event of an attack on the country."
- ❖ It also showed "what appear to be officers walking over flags of Israel and the United States painted on the floor," according to the report.
- ❖ Iran claimed the base "was one of hundreds in the country." "We have so many bases that [our enemies] cannot confront those bases, no matter how many bases they identify," Amir Ali Hajizadeh, head of the Guard's aerospace branch, was quoted as saying.



Jerusalem Post Reports

- ❖ Over the last week 23 attacks against Israelis have killed eight people and wounded at least 70. The reason for this violence is clear from FB posts that the Palestinian attackers were enraged by the statements by Abbas about Israel endangering the Temple Mount.
- ❖ Jerusalem reacted furiously on Thursday to State Department spokesman John Kirby's statement that Israel is not maintaining the status quo on the Temple Mount and accusing it of using "disproportionate force" to stop the wave of stabbing attacks.
- ❖ (We just got back from Beersheva) Beersheva police arrested a 15 year old teenage Palestinian girl on Wed who was on route to carry out a terrorist attack in Jerusalem. Under questioning, the girl confessed that she planned on stabbing Jews, soldiers, and the police."



Social Media



- ❖ Palestinian social media: There is nothing greater than a knife penetrating the heads of Jews. A tweet from Karem from Gaza using the hashtag "Poison The Knife Before You Stab," provided instructions on how to make attacks more deadly. "Dip (your) knife in an active poison before carrying out your stabbing, so that even if the knife does not manage to kill, the poison will do its job."
- ❖ Nuf Said! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iciOjrY_dF8



Call to Arms

The mayor of Jerusalem is calling on the city's residents to carry weapons at all times in the wake of a wave of deadly attacks in the last week. "Given the current escalation (of violence) ...those with a licensed firearm who know what to do with it must go out with (their weapon) - it's an imperative," Mayor Nir Barkat told Israel's Army Radio. "In a way, it's like military reserve duty..." (When government is useless - people must take action!)



Moderate Jordan?

Moderate Jordan - My Foot!

Jordanian security officials are regularly forbidding religious Israeli tourists to bring in tefillin, the ritual phylacteries that Jewish men wear every weekday, saying that Muslims who saw Jews wearing the objects would be offended. (It is time for Israel to become offended with Muslim occupation of Jewish land and al Aqsa mosque standing at the Jewish holiest site!)



JERUSALEM

12 A prophecy, the word of Adonai concerning Isra'el – here is the message from Adonai, who stretched out the heavens, laid the foundation of the earth and formed the spirit inside human beings:
2 "I will make Yerushalayim a cup that will stagger the surrounding peoples. Even Y'hudah will be caught up in the siege against Yerushalayim.
3 When that day comes, I will make Yerushalayim a heavy stone for all the peoples. All who try to lift it will hurt themselves, and all the earth's nations will be massed against her.

