

February 1, 2025
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From the Zakenim [Elders meeting minutes]

We had a \$16,621 surplus: Give praise offerings to organizations?

- Joseph Project — \$1,600.
- HaTikva — \$1,000
- Jewish Federation (local) — \$500

Some GREAT blessings:



Maintenance Director **Steve Kline** fixed the light in the Torah Tots room [southwest classroom]



Children's Ed. Director **Angela Stobbe** remodeled, reorganized, restocked, revitalized the Besorah Babies' room! [Southeast room] Besorah Babies' room Ages 0-2



A BROKEN HEART & CONTRITE SPIRIT

Part 2

T'hillim (Psalms) 34:18

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OR HAOLAM
MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE

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Are we in this end time, or its precursor?

Zekh 12.3 Moreover, in that day I will make Jerusalem a massive stone for all the people. All who try to lift it will be cut to pieces. Nevertheless, all the nations of the earth will be gathered together against her.

Zekh 14.1-4 Look, a day is coming for Adoni when your plunder, [Yerushalayim], will be divided right there within you. “For I will gather all the nations against

Yerushalayim for war. The city will be taken, the houses will be rifled, the women will be raped, and half the city will go into exile; but the rest of the people will not be cut off from the city.”

[This time it's going to happen in Jerusalem, not the Gaza envelope. Are we heading toward this? In a foretaste? Maybe a Trump pause?]

Yeshayahu 3.1-4 For see! The Lord, Adonai-Tzva'ot, will remove from Yerushalayim and Y'hudah every kind of support — all reserves of food and water; heroes and warriors, judges and prophets,

diviners and leaders, captains of fifty, men of rank and advisers, skillful magicians and expert enchanters. I will put children in authority; capriciousness will govern them.

[Are we in the precursor to these times?]



Global Antisemitism Surges to Record 46% in Latest ADL [Anti-Defamation League] Survey
January 22, 2025

Global antisemitism has reached unprecedented levels, with nearly half of the world's population harboring deeply entrenched antisemitic attitudes.
[<https://metrovoicenews.com/global-antisemitism-surges-to-record-46-in-latest-adl-survey/>]

Manchester, United Kingdom. Security Minister Tom Tugendhat joins thousands in a march against antisemitism in Manchester. Jan. 21, 2024. Image: UK Home Office.

What is anti-Semitism?

Anti-Semitism, sometimes called history's oldest hatred, is hostility or prejudice against Jewish people. In much of Europe throughout the Middle Ages, Jewish people were denied citizenship and forced to live in ghettos.

[Ghetto is not an American racist slum word for the "hood." It originally was the limited quarters of the Jewish people in Europe.]

With the rise of Christianity, anti-Semitism spread throughout much of Europe. Early Christians vilified Judaism in a bid to gain more converts. They accused Jews of outlandish acts such as "blood libel"—the kidnapping and murder of Christian children to use their blood to make Passover bread.

In the wake of the Russian Revolution, an estimated 1,326 pogroms are thought to have taken place across Ukraine alone, leaving nearly half a million Ukrainian Jews homeless and killing an estimated 30,000 to 70,000 people between 1918 and 1921.

[<https://www.history.com/topics/holocaust/anti-semitism>]

More than 58,000 adults from 103 countries and territories were surveyed, by the ADL, representing 94 percent of the global adult population ethnicities.

The survey also found that 20 percent of respondents worldwide have not heard about the Holocaust. Less than half recognize the Holocaust's historical accuracy, which falls to 39 percent among 18- to 34-year-olds.

Respondents younger than 35 also have elevated levels of antisemitic sentiments (50 percent), 13 percentage points higher than respondents older than 50.

[Nations against Israel]

The countries and territories with the highest antisemitism index scores include the West Bank and Gaza (97 percent), Kuwait (97 percent) and Indonesia (96 percent), while those with the lowest scores are Sweden (5 percent), Norway (8 percent), Canada (8 percent) and the Netherlands (8 percent). **Pretty dreadful hatred!**

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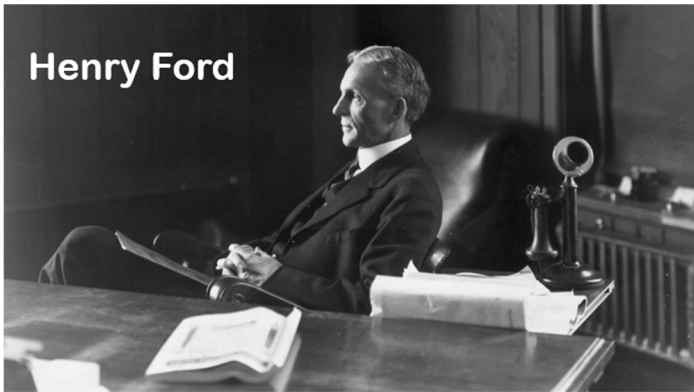
Israel Defense Forces soldier Liri Albag, who was released on Saturday after 477 days in captivity in Gaza.

“Dad, there are two million terrorists there, make no mistake. I sat with children aged 8 and 4 who were cursing ‘the Jews,’”
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Daniel Pipes:

Unfortunately for Gazans and Israelis alike, the Israeli priority of releasing hostages and the distraction of taking on Hamas' allies meant Israeli forces did not destroy Hamas, did not liberate Gazans from oppression and extremism and did not free Israel from a murderous jihadist group. What once appeared to be likely now looks forlorn. Once again, Israel's over-rated security establishment has managed to **clutch defeat from the jaws of victory.**

[Nations against Israel succeeding?]



[<https://www.history.com/topics/holocaust/anti-semitism>]

American Icon Henry Ford Fostered Anti-Semitism
The man known for changing the auto industry also used his immense power and influence to... vilify Jewish people.

He used his status as one of America's most well-known and trusted business leaders to systematically spread conspiracy theories about Jews. His screeds against Jewish people became so well-known at home and abroad that he, **Henry Ford,**

is the only American whom Adolf Hitler compliments by name in Mein Kampf.

[Published Protocols of the Elders of Zion]

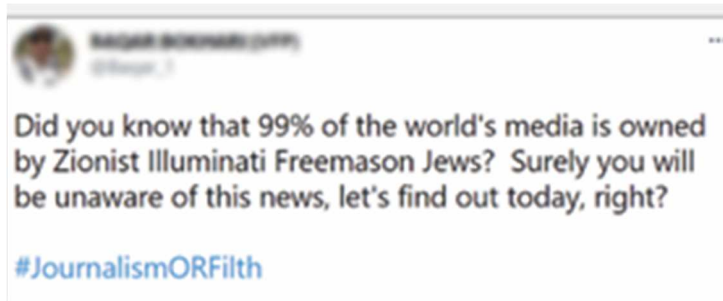
“Antisemitic tropes and beliefs are becoming alarmingly normalized across societies worldwide,” said Marina Rosenberg, the ADL’s senior vice president for international affairs. “This dangerous trend is not just a threat to Jewish communities; it’s a warning to us all.”

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Review from last Shabbat of the worst anti-Semitic phrases that are commonly used.
From the River to the Sea



Illuminati



Khazars



Figure K1
A post falsely claiming “the real Jewish homeland” is Khazaria and not Ancient Israel.

Protocols of the Elders of Zion

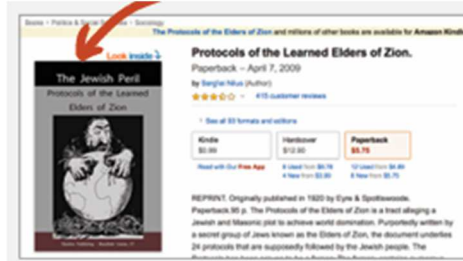


Figure P5
An Amazon listing for *The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion* paperback.

Rothschild: Do we make “Rothschild” into a conspiracy word?



Figure R1
A 2015 antisemitic cartoon depicting the Rothschild family as a pig feeding countries' intelligence services, including Islamist terrorist groups.

settler colonialist



Figure S6
A graphic widely shared on social media that denies Israel's right to exist and Jews' indigeneity to the land.

“Zionism is racism”

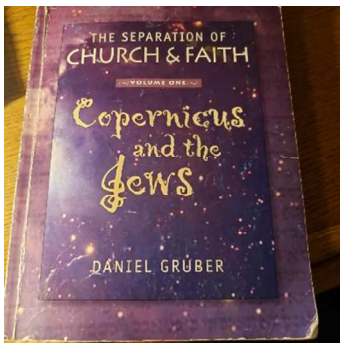


Figure Z1
A protest sign equates the State of Israel with the Nazi swastika.

United Nations General Assembly Resolution 3379, adopted on 10 November 1975, "*Determines that [Zionism](#) is a form of [racism](#) and [racial discrimination](#)*"
It was revoked by [Resolution 46/86](#), adopted on 16 December 1991

Other anti-Semitic tropes

**Jew down
Jewish lightning
poisoning the well**



Dan Gruber is the source of the concepts following...

Why we don't call our synagogue a church ...
It's one of those words.

*[Some people will say to me "I like your church."
"I can't make it to church today."
You will see me smile and squirm a bit.
Here's why.]*

Two Hebrew words for community or gathering, or us, here in this room, and universally:

- עדה *Edah* - is usually translated **synagogue** [synagogue]
- קהל *Kahal* - usually **ekklesia** [congregation, community, church?]

into LXX Greek Septuagint: Hebrew content in Greek packaging

- no major difference in the words
- no particularly Jewish connotation to **synagogue** עדה *Edah*
- no particularly non-Jewish connotation to **קהל** *Kahal* usually **ekklesia** [congregation, community, church?]

b ^a towk	raa`	b ^a kaal-	haayiytiy	Kim ^a aT	14
בְּתוֹךְ	רָע	בְּכָל-	הָיִיתִי	כְּמֵעַט	
in the midst of	evil	in all	I was	almost	
		w ^a eedaah		qaahaal	
		וְעֵדָה:		קֹהֵל	
		and assembly.		the congregation	

Proverbs 5.14

I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and assembly.

Numbers 1.18

Nu 1.18			
hiqhiyluw	haa`eedaah	kaal-	W ^a eet
הִקְהִילוּ	הָעֵדָה	כָּל-	וְאֵת
they assembled together	the congregation	all	And

Beresheet/Gen 1.9 Let the waters below the heaven be gathered /sunagogen

Matityahu 13.47 The Kingdom of Heaven is like a net thrown into the lake, that gathered/sunagogen all kinds of fish.

Acts 7.38 the **assembly/ekklesia** in the wilderness, accompanied by the angel that had spoken to him at Mount Sinai

English packaging of Greek rendering of Hebrew thought:

1525

- William Tyndale translates **ekklesia** as "community"
- never uses the word "church"

English packaging of Greek rendering of Hebrew thought:

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- Luther's German translation never used the word "church"
- rather "gemeinde" community

[I don't often speak favorably of Martin Luther.]

1611 KJV King James of England

- gave rules to KJV translators
- rule #3 "Ecclesiastical Words to be kept" instead of the "scrupulosity of the Puritans" [Tyndale]
- mandated "church" for ekklesia
- validates James' rule over church

["Yaakov" supplanted by "James"]

Implications of the word "church"

- Is it still just "assembly?"
- cf "mosque" substituted ~ alien and foreign concept to Israel

It would seem very foreign to say "I am attending a mosque," if meaning a place where Messiah is worshiped.

mosque (n.)

"Islamic place of worship and the ecclesiastical organization connected with it," 1717, earlier moseak (c. 1400), also mosquee (16c.), probably in part from French mosquée from Arabic masjid "temple, place of worship," from sajada "he worshipped" + prefix ma- denoting "place." Mangled in Middle English as muskey, moseache, etc.

Implications of the word "church"

- Church Age theology post millennial: that the church will rule the world, without Jews.
- Derivation: possibly from Greek
 - "kuriakon" house of the L-rd
 - not the sense of ekklesia קהל *Kahal* / community or gathering
 - possibly from Latin kirk / circle, circus, not the sense of ekklesia קהל *Kahal* / community or gathering

concept

- scriptures speak of **body** of Messiah, **commonwealth** of Israel, **community** of believers in the Jewish Messiah and King
- "church" is a group disconnected from the Jewish people

[To make matters worse ...]

Rev. 3.9 ... the **synagogue of Satan**, those who call themselves Jews but aren't—on the contrary, they are lying – see, I will cause them to come and prostrate themselves at your feet, and they will know that I have loved you.

Rev 2.9 To the angel of the Messianic Community in Smyrna, write: 'Here is the message from the First and the Last, who died and came alive again: I know how you are suffering and how poor you are (though in fact you are rich!), and I know the insults of those who call themselves Jews but aren't – on the contrary, they are a **synagogue of the Adversary**.

- common, metaphorical interpretation: that Yokhanan / John is talking about Jews who reject Yeshua as the Messiah

- literal understanding that these are non-Jews who lie and say they are Jews but in fact are Gentiles.
- Metaphorical interpretation gave this verse a virulently anti-Semitic significance.
- over the centuries Jews have had the epithet “synagogue of Satan” hurled at them by Christians who thought they understood the Bible.

Conclusion:

the kingdom of Messiah is made up of the assembly of

- Jews who’ve received the New Covenant G-d made with Israel and Judah in Jer 31
- non-Jews grafted into this covenant with Israel Ro 11
- word ‘church’ is not a translation of anything in scripture
- word “church” has implications of the government of European kings and bishops, without *Jews*

[So, the enemies of Israel have another angle. Here’s one more ...]



Simultaneously, and more dangerously, we, Jews and those affiliated, have lost some of our main allies. Understanding this loss may be the key to Jewish deliverance. [from George Whitten (Worthy News · P.O. Box 78758 · Nashville, Tennessee 37207)]

[https://bible.org/assets/images/Stiles_SouthernStepsPsalmsOfAscent.001.jpg]



FIRST LOSS In April 2023, Mike Bickle, leader of the International House of Prayer, led a massive, unprecedented global prayer effort to mobilize MILLIONS worldwide to pray for Israel (specifically pray for their salvation).

On 28 October 2023, three former senior IHOPKC executives published an open letter revealing they had passed on allegations against Bickle to the church’s current leaders. *[Just three weeks after the Oct 7, 2023 attack.]*

At a time when Israel needed intercessory prayer the most, a scandal erupted with him that left thousands of his ministry’s young intercessors and those committed to joining in prayer worldwide shocked and discouraged.

Bickle has since admitted some “moral failures” but denied “more intense sexual activities.” After months of delay, just before Christmas, IHOPKC announced it had received new information which confirmed the allegations.

There have been ongoing investigations, accusations, but **no clear confession and repentance.** There may be a report coming out this Monday.

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[My letter to Mike Bickle.]

SECOND LOSS Gateway Church in Dallas, one of Israel’s biggest financial supporters, was caught in controversy when its lead pastor, Robert Morris, had to step down. As a result, millions of donor dollars that were helping Israel spiritually and providing aid for Israelis in need were cut off.

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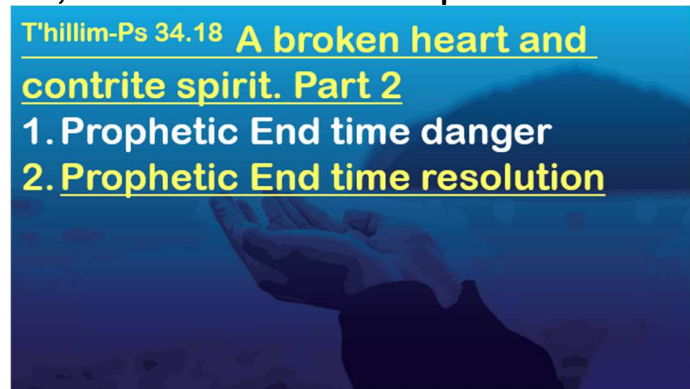
THIRD LOSS DayStar Television, the first Christian broadcasting network to ever bring the gospel into Israel— and a generous source of provision for Israel was also hit with **controversy and cover up**.

<https://julieroys.com/former-daystar-tv-executive-wife-accuse-joni-lamb-covering-up-daughters-sexual-abuse/>

FOURTH LOSS Most recently, Dr. Michael Brown, a well-respected theologian and host of In the Line of Fire, also found himself facing allegations.

I have two situations where there was deep moral failure, and a “sort of apology” was given. If there was real confession and repentance, the situation could have been restored. Half repentance.

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We only have one asset to “market” to the world.
INTEGRITY

2 Cor 8.21 **We take pains to do what is right not only in the sight of God but also in the sight of other people.**

[Never be in a car with the opposite gender, in a room with door closed.]

We have procedures for counting money. I voluntarily do NOT know who the donors are.]

Corollaries:

Humility, servant spirit, love

[Schmoozers.]

Oneg team. Take out the garbage.]

Yeshayahu / Is 66.2 **Didn't I myself make all these things? This is how they all came to be,” says Adonai. “The kind of person on whom I look with favor is one with a poor and humble spirit, who trembles at my word.**

T'hilim/ Ps 138.6 **For though Adoni is exalted, yet He looks upon the lowly, but the haughty He knows from afar.**

Mishlei/Prov 11.1-3 **Dishonest scales are an abomination to Adoni, but an accurate weight is His delight. When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom. The integrity of the upright guides them, but the crookedness of the treacherous will destroy them.**



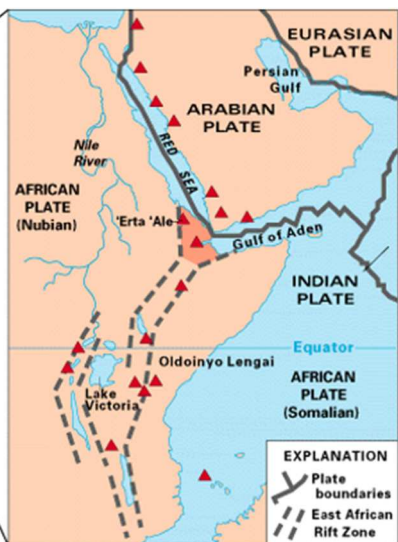
National Gathering for Prayer and Repentance
 2025 NGPR, hosted jointly by FRC and Well Versed, is set to take place on **Wednesday, February 5**, beginning at 7:00 a.m. at the Museum of the Bible in Washington, D.C. House Speaker Mike Johnson (R-La.),

FRC Board Chair and Dean of Regent University’s School of Government Michele Bachmann, Rabbi Jonathan Cahn, author Nick Vujicic.

Zekhariah 12.10-14 “Then I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication, when they will look toward Me whom they pierced. They will mourn for him as one mourns for an only son and grieve bitterly for him, as one grieves for a firstborn. In that day there will be a great mourning in Jerusalem, mourning like Hadad-rimmon in the valley of Megiddo. The land will mourn clan by clan. The clan of the house of David by itself and their wives by themselves, the clan of the house of Nathan by itself, and their wives by themselves, the clan of the house of Levi by itself and their wives by themselves, the clan of the Shimeites by itself and their wives by themselves. Each of the remaining clans will mourn by itself and their wives by themselves.”



Great Rift Valley



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