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G-d's Iron Dome

Remarkably, tomorrow Jews throughout the world will be reciting the following words from the Haftorah: "I have made you strong today like a fortified city and an iron pillar, like copper walls against the entire land," says G-d. "They will fight against you but they will not prevail against you for I am with you to save you."

"They will fight against you" is such a tragic but true prophecy. Forced to protect her citizens from the steady rain of rockets that have failed to cause widespread harm only because of Israel's Iron Dome, Israel is now pushing into Gaza. To quote Prime Minister Netanyahu, "We're using missile defense to protect our civilians, and they're using their civilians to protect their missiles." Sadly, this is a battle whose frontlines extend way beyond Gaza. Far more than just an Israeli problem, the unrelenting attacks on Israel are an affront to every single Jew and, for that matter, every moral person, for anti-Semitism know no bounds.

In Poland, for example, 70 years after trying to purge the country of its millions of Jews, Polish protesters are demonstrating and calling for Israeli flags to be destroyed in the crematoria chimneys. Exactly who are these Poles of today so threatened by?

And, incredibly, Turkish Jews are very vulnerable as well. The country that once welcomed Jews fleeing from the Spanish Inquisition has been told by the head of NGO, "Turkish Jews will pay dearly for Israel's actions."

We Jews are too painfully familiar with the anti-Semitism predicted by the prophets thousands of years ago, but we are a resilient people. And we take solace in G-d's promise, "They will not prevail against you for I am with you."

In light of our current threats, clarity can be gleaned from a lesson of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, of righteous memory. Contemplating how a person sitting comfortably in an armchair on one side of the world, through a simple press of a button activating a nuclear arsenal, can drastically change the landscape of the entire world, he countered that likewise one mitzvah, one positive action, can produc everlasting effects. By performing one seemingly simple mitzvah, we can span oceans and continents.

Chaos theory says that a butterfly can flap its wings on one side of the world and cause a series of conditions producing a storm at a remote location. Although our universe seems dauntingly large, we are all interconnected. What can we do beyond staying informed about the suffering of innocent people in the Middle East? We can perform a good deed whose far-reaching repercussions may never be known to us. We can go to Shul tomorrow in honor of our brothers and sisters and pray for their safety.

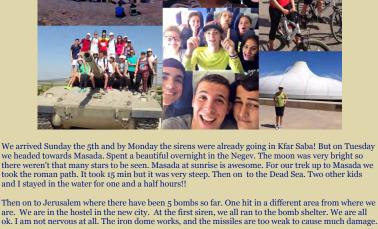
We are a connected people. When we do a mitzvah here in Columbus, Ohio, our family in Israel is

As Israel's brave soldiers proceed into Gaza, we pray that G-d stays ever close with each and every one of them. They are not the frontline just for the Jew of Israel, but, indeed for every Jewish man, woman and child and for every right-minded person. Rabbi Areyah Kaltmann

Chabad's teens in Israel provide support and morale

News from one of our P2G YP9 Columbus Kfar Saba travelers, Leilah Abelman Leilah Abelman who is with fellow shul members Alyssa Schottenstein and Sonya Pattisam.

--Leilah



Went to Mt. Herzl and Yad Vashem in Jerusalem, where some also said Yizkor, after which they gathered for reflection in the Jerusalem Forest to express their thoughts and feelings after the emotional visit and stories they heard. Then biking through the Jerusalem mountains!! After painting walls in a Kfar Saba Youth center, preparing for the new school year & volunteering with kids, we did a workshop on how to do medical clowning for our visit to the Meir Medical Center's ward the next day where we used the healing power of humor & laughter to combat stress.

Now we are heading north to Golan Heights and the upper Galilee. Will keep you posted next week!!

TEEN SHABBAT FOR ISRAEL

August 1 - 7:30 pm We are inviting all Columbus Jewish teens for a special Friday night dinner. Usher in the new school year with a teen unity Shabbat in the merit of the safety of our brothers and sisters in Israel.





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Saturday, August 2 at 9:30 pm

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