

*Financial update*

(\$22,436) year-to-date

adjusted net shortfall as of Thursday evening, Dec. 26, 2024

[11 people give and extra \$2000?]

My apologies for not doing this with the several previous babies. I used to, but lost track. Sorry.



Trudy & Jim Daugherty's granddaughter Eliana Beth Coulter was born 22 Dec. at 4:56 am, 8 lbs. 15 oz. 20.5 in. to Blake and Sara Coulter.



Baby girl Lundquist born Sun Dec 22.  
7 lbs.

We are waiting to publicly share name  
until after personal family  
naming/blessing time this coming  
week. Bat Lundquist.

A poster for Hanukkah Victory. The background is dark blue with a glowing menorah. The text "HANUKKAH VICTORY" is in large white letters. Below it, "Rabbi Shmuel Wolkenfeld" is written in white. At the bottom left, the date "December 28 2024 | 27th of Kislev, 5785" and the Hebrew text "כ"ז בכסלו תשפ"ה" are displayed. At the bottom right, the logo for "OR HAOLAM MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE" is shown, featuring a stylized menorah and the text "OR HAOLAM MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE".

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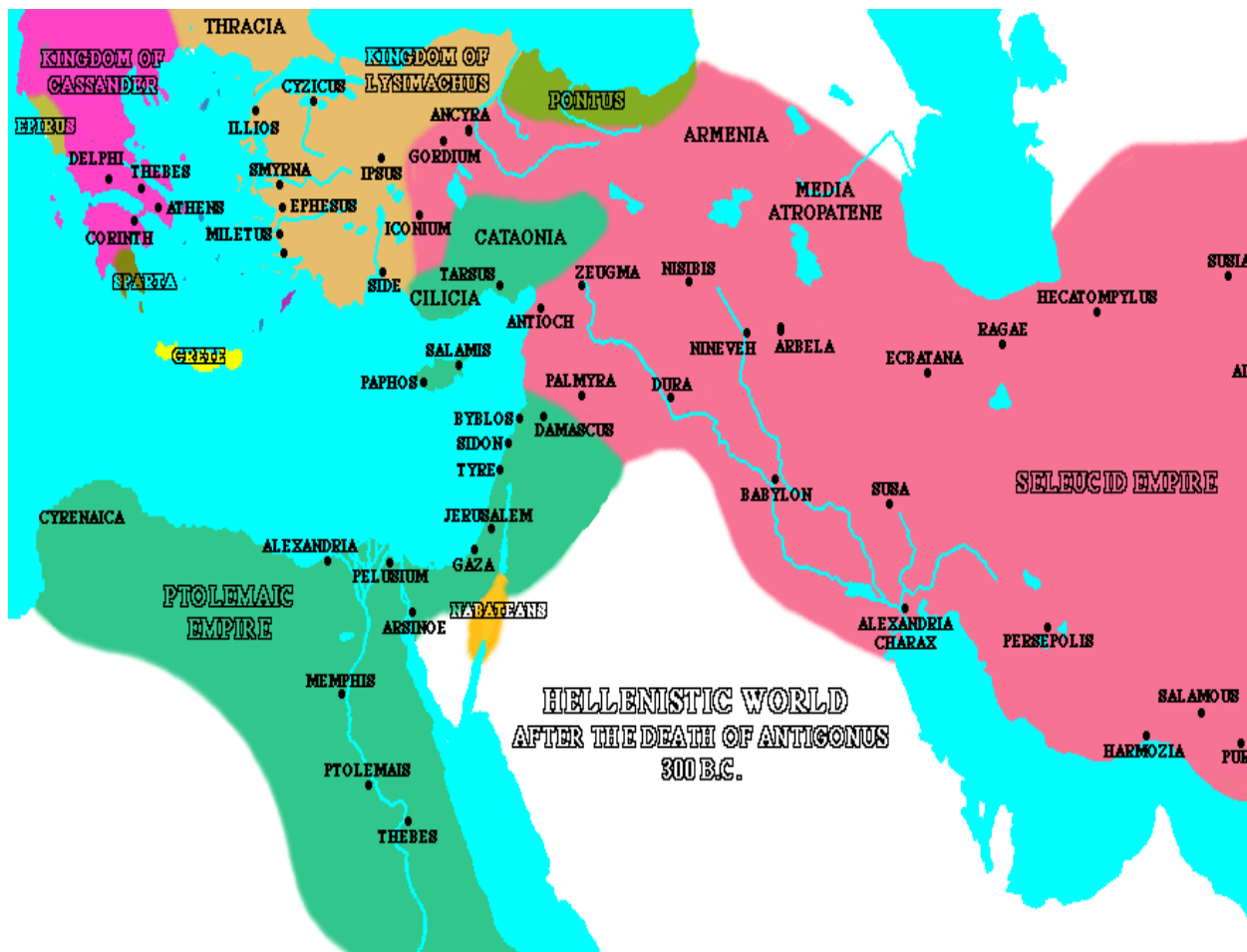
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## Alexander's Greek Empire 330 BCE



From Macedonia to Egypt to India  
When Alexander died at age 33, the empire was divided.



Naval interference of Romans → fury of Antiochus the Syrian

In 175 BC, a new king, Antiochus IV (also called "Epihpanes") ascended the throne in Syria. Under the "auspices" of his regime, Jerusalem began to look more and more like a Greek city as Hellenistic culture was officially promoted. Antiochus allowed Hellenistic Jews to have prominent roles in the Holy Temple - so much so that even a non-priest (named Menelaus) was given the role of being the Temple's *Kohen Gadol* (High Priest). This enraged many Jews, however, who then called for Egyptian rule instead of Syrian (the Egyptians were more tolerant of local customs and did not force Hellenization). Later, when Antiochus returned from an unsuccessful military campaign against Egypt, he decided to quell the Jewish call for Egyptian rule and murdered some 40,000 people in Jerusalem.

The book of Daniel was written about 534 BCE, describing events that happened in the 160's BCE. Israel was located between the Syrian / Selucids and the Egyptian / Ptolemies. They warred as to who would control it.

Daniel 11.29-35 “At the time designated, he will come back to the south. But this time, things will turn out differently than before; because ships from Kittim will come against him, so that his courage will fail him.

*[The army from the Syrian north invaded Israel and Ptolemaic Egypt. Roman ships interfered and defeated the Syrians under Antiochus.]*

Daniel 11.29-35 Then, in retreat, he will take furious action against the holy covenant, again showing favor to those who abandon the holy covenant. Armed forces will come at his order and profane the sanctuary and fortress.

*[Written in the 500's about events 400 years later. Antiochus was mad!]*

Daniel 11.29-35 They will abolish the daily burnt offering and set up the abomination that causes desolation. Those who act wickedly against the covenant he will corrupt with his blandishments, *[IE a swine sacrifice.]*

Daniel 11.29-35 but the people who know their God will stand firm and prevail. Those among the people who have discernment will cause the rest of the people to understand what is happening; nevertheless, for a while they will fall victim to sword, fire, exile and pillage. When they stumble, they will receive a little help, although many who join them will be insincere. Even some of those with discernment will stumble, so that some of them will be refined, purified and cleansed for an end yet to come at the designated time.

*[“We can still be Jews, but embrace new insights, sports, activities, learning...”*

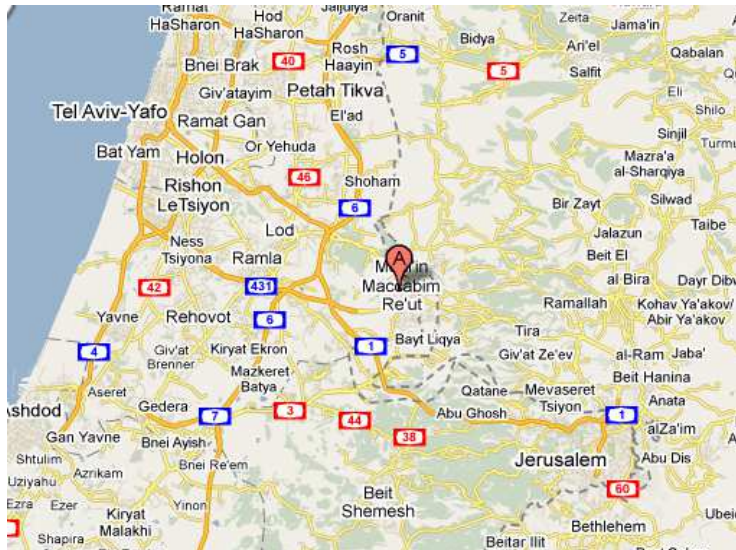
*Nudity, fighting till death, sensuality, violence, intellectual fads and pride*

*That was the 400 in advance prophecy. This is the history:]*

1 Maccabees 2.15-28 The king's officers, such as compelled the people to revolt, came into the city Modin, to make them sacrifice [a pig]. And when many of Israel came unto them, Mattathias also and his sons came together.

*[ie sacrifice a pig]*

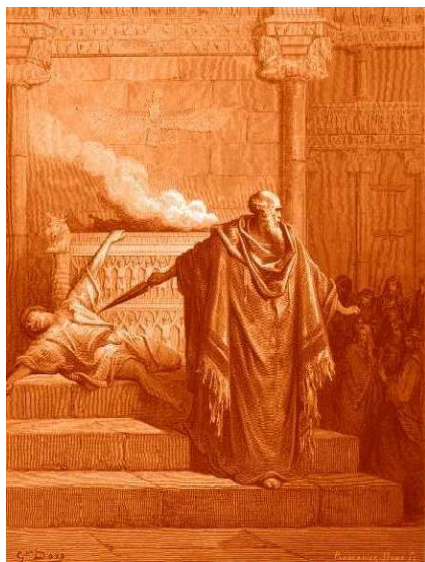




Hwy 1 also called Shaar haGai  
בֵּית הַגַּי or בֵּית הַגַּי Bab El Wad

Matthias family sometimes → Jerus

One day though they were shocked to find that the gold leaf had been ripped from the walls, the tapestries torn down, all plundered and sold for profit by the Syrians. Upon the Jewish altar they had build an altar to the Greek god, Zeus. Syrian officers came to Modin. 166 BCE



But there was a Hellenized Jew in the town who is willing to do what is unspeakable in Jewish eyes. As he's about to sacrifice the pig, Mattathias stabs him, also killing the Greek official present. He then turns to the crowd and announces: "Follow me, all of you who are for God's law and stand by the covenant." (1 Maccabees 2:27)

*[You could say that this was a Progressive, a woke Jew*

*Best photo we have sepi*

*This guy was about to sacrifice a pig on the altar.]*

The most optimistic estimates put the Maccabee army number at no more than 12,000 men. This tiny force took on the fighting Greek army of up to 40,000 men. *[Those who join Mattathias and his five sons—named Yohanan, Shimon, Judah, Eleazar, Yonaton—head for the hills, expecting that the Greeks are going to come back and wipe out the*

*whole village as a reprisal. In the hills, they organize a guerilla army, led primarily by the oldest of the sons named Judah, nicknamed Maccabee, which means "the Hammer." Maccabee is also an acronym for mi komocho ba'alim Hashem, "who is like you among the powers O God,"—the battle cry of the Jewish people.]*



The Greeks were professional soldiers—they have equipment, they have training, and they have a herd of war elephants, which were the tanks of the ancient world.

[https://www.google.com/search?q=syrian+war+elephants&safe=active&xsrf=ACYBGNQMFeW4Vas2Quh0iwTBq7gdOjrkMq:1577477879580&tbm=isch&source=iu&ictx=1&fir=5INhbwbU3XRAM%253A%252C-z0vhSvnp3VZKM%252C\\_&vet=1&usg=AI4\\_-kTPVALRwkFcGTAEZYvQ-qUBDrZDcg&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwj4ZyF09bmAhUJGc0KHTjGC7QQ9QEwDHoECAoQBg#imgsrc=pG9rJFAludwnnM:&vet=1](https://www.google.com/search?q=syrian+war+elephants&safe=active&xsrf=ACYBGNQMFeW4Vas2Quh0iwTBq7gdOjrkMq:1577477879580&tbm=isch&source=iu&ictx=1&fir=5INhbwbU3XRAM%253A%252C-z0vhSvnp3VZKM%252C_&vet=1&usg=AI4_-kTPVALRwkFcGTAEZYvQ-qUBDrZDcg&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwj4ZyF09bmAhUJGc0KHTjGC7QQ9QEwDHoECAoQBg#imgsrc=pG9rJFAludwnnM:&vet=1)



The Jews were vastly outnumbered, poorly trained, and poorly equipped (not to mention, they have no elephants), but what they lack in training and equipment they make up in spirit.



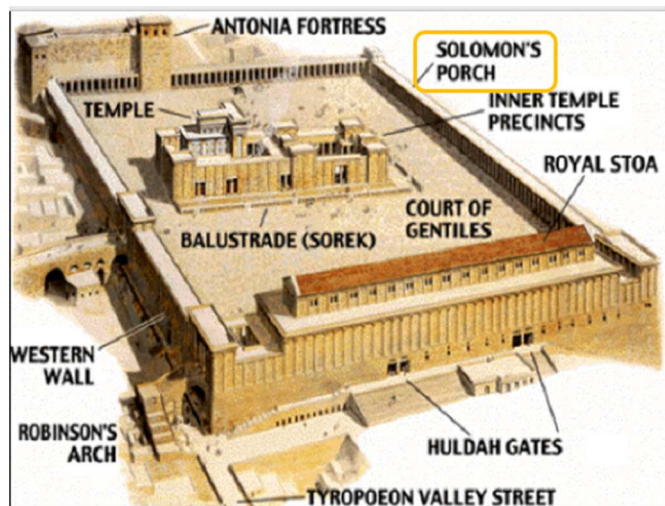
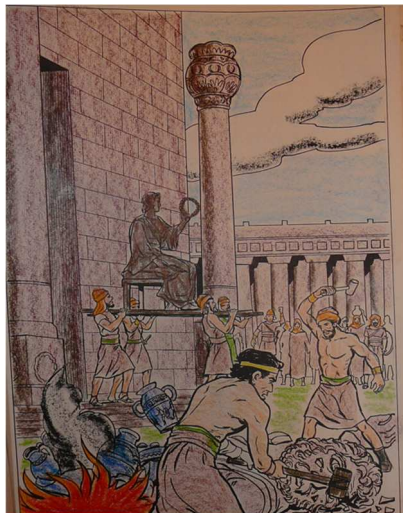
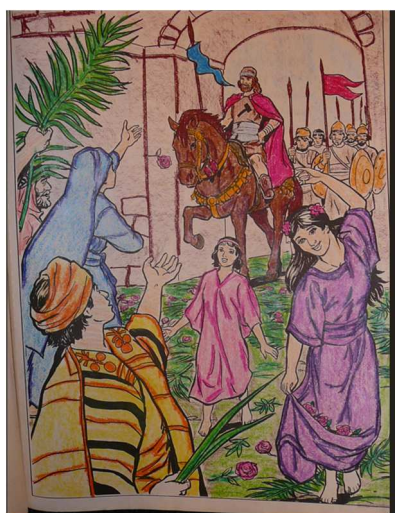
Eleazer (the younger brother of Judah) died when he single-handedly attacked a large elephant believed to be carrying the enemy king (I Mac 6:42-46)  
*[166 to 164 to liberate Jerusalem  
 Liberation Jerusalem, cleansed the Temple.  
 Enacted Holiday ~Sukkot]*

Lysias, the commander-in-chief of the Seleucid Syrian army, along with 60,000 infantrymen and 5000 cavalry, encountered Judah, who had a force of only 3000 poorly equipped rebels, in the town of Emmaus, 7 miles from Jerusalem.

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Judah managed to gather together another 7000 rebels. He prayed to God for strength and deliverance (I Maccabees 4:30-33), and God answered!

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When the Temple was reconquered in 168 BC, they began the Biblical worship. There was great celebration, and a holiday was proclaimed. There is a legend that there was only enough of the olive oil for the lamp for one day. It takes eight days to prepare from olive leaves, but the light burned 8 days.

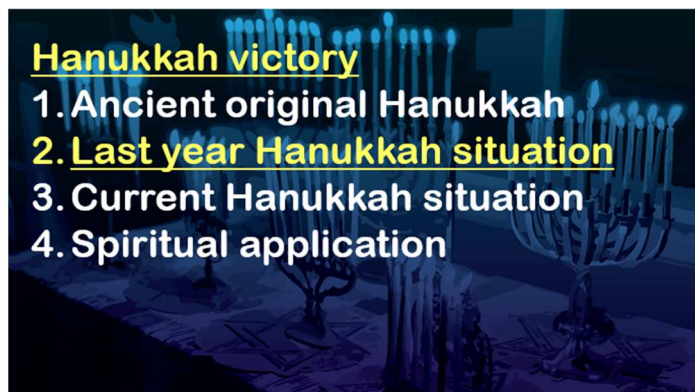
*[Or, 8 days to re-enact Sukkot, with celebratory torches. To commemorate the victory, Jewish people light candles, sing songs, eat oily foods for eight days: potato pancakes called Latkes, and jelly donuts.*

*They tried to kill us, G-d helped us, let's eat.]*

But, in fact, it took 25 years of subsequent fighting and a great many casualties on both sides until the Selucid Greeks finally reach a peace agreement with the Jews.

John 10.22-23 Then came the Festival of Dedication [that is, Hanukkah] at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Yeshua was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade.

*[Celebrated for the next 160 years, till Yeshua's day, and till today. 3 candles. Tonight 4.]*



### Hanukkah 2023

1. Jews facing shock of Oct. 7 slaughter and defilement
2. "Impossible" tunnel warfare.
3. Hezbollah HUGE: 10x more powerful than Hamas. 150,000 rockets.
4. Iranians were strong, racing to get nuclear weapons, proxies.
5. Iranian rockets: Tehran had thousands of ballistic and cruise missiles with a variety of ranges, according to a 2021 report from the Missile Threat Project at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS).

An Iranian Shahab-3 missile is seen before being tested from desert terrain at an unspecified location in Iran on September 28, 2009. Shaiegan/FARS/AFP/Getty Images



Iranian media reported that Tehran had a new missile, the Fattah-1, in the attacks. Tehran describes the Fattah-1 as a "hypersonic" missile – meaning it travels at Mach 5, or five times the speed of sound (about 3,800 miles per hour).

6. Houthis in Yemen had great quantities of ballistic missiles.
7. Syria under Assad had vast supplies of Russian weapons.
8. Oct. 8 the world erupted in anti-Israel protests!
9. The U.S. has been duplicitous in sending arms and munitions.

10. The Israelis have internal judicial action against Netanyahu.
11. The International Criminal Court rules Netanyahu and Yoav Gallant, the former Minister of Defense of Israel accused of genocide. No action yet on Assad.
12. Wokeness and cowardice in Israeli and American leadership



## In Israel, after 14 months of war, facing attacks from 7 directions



**Killed**  
1,810+ people killed



**Wounded**  
19,500+ people wounded



**Damage**  
1,400 buildings damaged



**Land**  
13,878 acres of land burned in northern Israel



**Without Homes**  
250,000 forced to leave their homes, with 60,000 still displaced



### TIMES OF ISRAEL

US intelligence assessments before Israel escalated its conflict against the Lebanese Hezbollah terror group in September said that such a move risked sparking an all-out war in which hundreds — if not thousands — of Israelis would be killed, three US officials and one Israeli official told The Times of Israel this week.

<https://youtu.be/6QkgDeWen0g?t=178>

Herzi Halevi, Chief of the General Staff of Israel Defense Forces and Yoav Gallant, then Minister of Defense, **opposed using the beepers. 5 years developing, but afraid.**

*[<https://jewishinsider.com/2024/12/elon-musk-praises-tucker-carlson-interview-with-jeffrey-sachs-featuring-antisemitic-conspiracy-theories/>]*

### TIMES OF ISRAEL

## US intel wrongly envisioned catastrophic outcome if IDF escalated against Hezbollah

Israeli assessments were nearly identical, but Netanyahu decided to step up campaign in Lebanon, deeming the heavy cost worth paying, officials tell ToI

Netanyahu overrode most of Israel's and America's intel assessment.

<https://youtu.be/6QkgDeWen0g?t=93>

### TIMES OF ISRAEL

The assessments relied heavily on similar ones crafted by Israel's own intelligence community, the US officials said, acknowledging that both countries' assessments proved wildly inaccurate within days, as the IDF methodically took out much of Hezbollah's missile and drone capabilities, dismantled its military infrastructure in southern Lebanon, picked off almost every member of its senior leadership and killed or wounded thousands of operatives — many of them in audacious mass detonations of the terror group's communication devices.

<https://youtu.be/6QkgDeWen0g?t=195>

Shiran Abu Akla, journalist embedded with Islamic Jihad, killed in a gunfight with IDF Iranian controlled. May 2022  
<https://youtu.be/6QkgDeWen0g?t=1153>



## THE HILL

### US condemns killing of American journalist during Israeli military raid in Palestinian city

Then launch an investigation into the IDF.

Israeli soldiers on leave in Thailand face a foundation seeking to get them arrested as war criminals.

[<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6QkgDeWen0g&t=1153s>]

### Manipulated, coerced, duplicitous cease fire arranged by Pres. Biden

UK Colonel Richard Kemp adds:

“First, if this [Hezbollah] ceasefire had not been secured, it is probable that Joe Biden would have allowed, and even himself orchestrated, a binding UN Security Council Resolution demanding a cessation of hostilities, potentially accompanied by a UN-mandated arms embargo on Israel. It would have been his cynical last ditch effort to rescue something at least from his woeful legacy on foreign affairs. Second, as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu alluded to during his speech on the ceasefire, the Biden White House has been imposing a partial arms embargo against Israel that included vital munitions and combat equipment including 2,000 pound bombs. After more than a year fighting a war on seven battlefronts that is a significant constraint.”

[Avner Boskey]

## 13. Slanderous American conservative journalism



Some of us may have LOVED Tucker.  
Rethink that...

Tucker Carlson's [had a] controversial interview with Jeffrey Sachs, the Columbia professor who...espouses a litany of conspiracy theories about Israel



[[https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2024/12/17/jeffrey\\_sachs\\_israel\\_has\\_run\\_american\\_foreign\\_policy\\_in\\_the\\_middle\\_east\\_for\\_30\\_years.html](https://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2024/12/17/jeffrey_sachs_israel_has_run_american_foreign_policy_in_the_middle_east_for_30_years.html)]

In the interview, Sachs, who was once a renowned economist but now frequently promotes conspiracy theories on a range of issues, cast the fall of Syria's authoritarian regime this month as the culmination of a decades-long plot led by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

“The United States goes to war on his behalf,” he said of Netanyahu, arguing that “Israel has driven so many American wars.”



Invoking a classic antisemitic trope about Jewish control of American politics, Sachs added that the U.S. “gave over Middle East foreign policy to Israel a long time ago, not to U.S. interest, **but to Israel’s interest**. That is the Israel lobby, and we don’t hear questioning of this at all.”

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*Tucker also had an interview with Darryl Cooper]*

Dec 18, 2024 · CARLSON: But why would Obama want to overthrow Assad?

SACHS: Because Israel has run American foreign policy in the Middle East for 30 years. That's how it works.



Tucker also interviewed Darryl Cooper, who teaches that Winston Churchill was the villain in WW II, NOT Hitler!

Hitler was NOT the bad guy in WW II, but Churchill protecting or advancing the British Empire



ABOUT THE WRITTEN WORD STORE ARTICLE

## Debunking Tucker Carlson’s Darryl Cooper Interview

By ANDREAS KOUREAS | September 30, 2024



Cooper calls Churchill “the chief villain of the Second World War,”

*[https://winstonchurchill.hillsdale.edu/cooper-koureas/viewing him as “primarily responsible for that war becoming what it did, becoming something other than an invasion of Poland.”]*

## 14. Iranian missile attacks.

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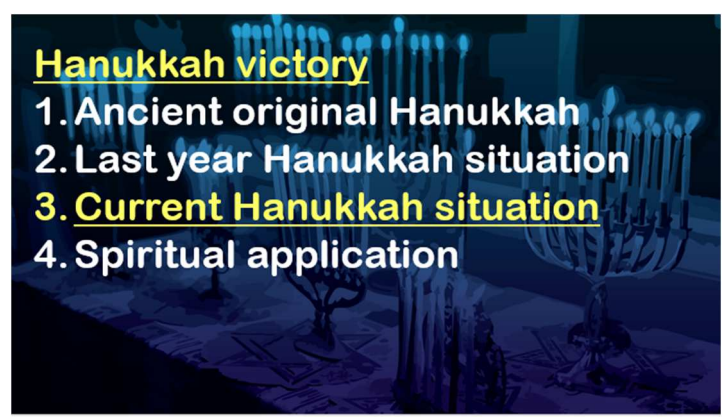
13 April. Iran's attack sent around 170 drones, over 30 cruise missiles, and more than 120 ballistic missiles toward Israel and the Israeli-occupied Golan Heights. Israel said that the coalition, whose defensive efforts were codenamed Iron Shield, destroyed 99 percent of the incoming weapons, most before they reached Israeli airspace.

*[But we didn’t know in advance that Israel would not be destroyed.]*

On 1 October 2024, Iran launched about 200 ballistic missiles at targets in Israel, in at least two waves in retaliation for Israel's assassinations of Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran, Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah, and IRGC general Abbas Nilforoushan.

*[The two fatalities caused by the attacks were a Palestinian man killed directly by missile debris and an Israeli man indirectly.]*

*https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/October\_2024\_Iranian\_strikes\_against\_Israel]*



## Hanukkah 2024

1. On September 17th, the pagers of thousands of Hezbollah operatives exploded, killing 42 and wounding over 3,000. The following day, the walkie talkies of Hezbollah operatives across Lebanon and Syria exploded, killing 12 and wounding 2,750. In one fell swoop, the entire Hezbollah communication infrastructure was crippled. 10 days after the pager attack, Israel struck and killed Hezbollah's supreme leader, Hassan Nasrallah, as he met with top commanders in a Beirut bunker. When Israel's ground forces entered southern Lebanon, they were surprised to find many Hezbollah command centers unmanned. A captured terrorist told the IDF that after Nasrallah's death most of them fled. On one of Israel's most viewed primetime news programs, a retired IDF colonel said this:

"As an expert on Hezbollah and Lebanon, I say if you were to put all the heads of Israel's security agencies here and ask them, 'Is there a chance that this might happen to Hezbollah in under a month?' There would not be one who would honestly say that they would have imagined even half of what has happened is possible... **[It is] not the result of man's actions but the hand of God.**"

*[<https://www.tikkunglobal.org/post/miracles-and-wonders-israel-at-war>]*



Hezbollah weapons confiscated by the IDF (Photo: IDF)

*[[https://allisrael.com/idf-displays-over-85-000-items-confiscated-from-hezbollah-in-southern-lebanon?utm\\_source=convertkit&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Israel%20retaliates%20over%20increased%20Houthi%20missile%20attacks,%20strikes%20Sana%E2%80%99a%20airport%20and%20power%20stations%20-%202016093795](https://allisrael.com/idf-displays-over-85-000-items-confiscated-from-hezbollah-in-southern-lebanon?utm_source=convertkit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Israel%20retaliates%20over%20increased%20Houthi%20missile%20attacks,%20strikes%20Sana%E2%80%99a%20airport%20and%20power%20stations%20-%202016093795)]*

Hezbollah's massive arsenal exposed – IDF displays over 85,000 weapons confiscated in southern Lebanon

Majority of confiscated weapons were intended to be used in Hezbollah's 'Conquer the Galilee' planned invasion



2. Yahya Sinwar is dead and also all other Hamas leaders.



3. Syria's Assad has fled to Russia and Israel has made 350 airstrikes into Syria destroying their navy, air force, chemical weapons



Israeli Navy destroys Syrian Fleet in Latakia

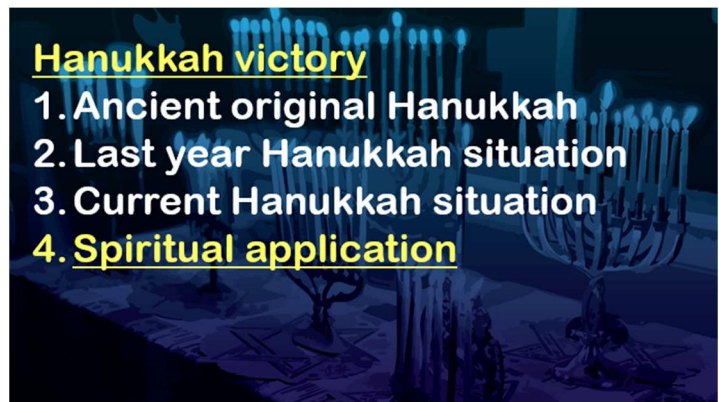
Russia confirms former Syrian dictator Assad and family are in Russia, apparently per rumors together with over \$150 BILLION in Syrian assets.

*[Sally Shiff]*

4. Israel destroyed Iran's air defenses.  
5. Change of US administration.



*[<https://youtu.be/D2qVIK98oVw>  
Chief Rabbi of S Africa Warren Goldstein]*



Believers have experience GREAT opposition in our current culture. A shift seems to be happening.  
Chuck Swindoll: Victory and success is more dangerous than defeat.

*[Like the change from Hanukkah 2023 to Han 2024, today]*

Rabbi Chaim Richman was one of the first onto the Temple Mount in June 1967.

Met by a Jordanian.

*[The Jordanian started to show Rabbi Richman  
that this is where the holy of holies were.*

*Why are you telling me*

*You are the Jews, and are back in command.*

*There is a prophecy that the Jews will come and rebuild the Temple.*

*So we are expecting.*

*Moshe Dayan and Levi Eshkol walked away from it, gave it away.]*



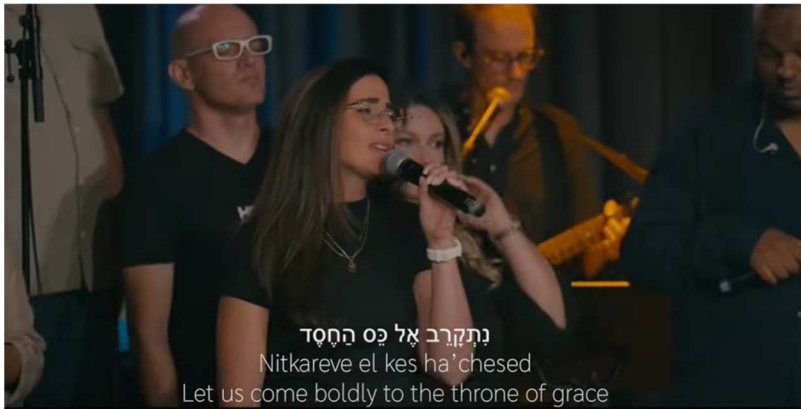
Israel was at the borders of Beirut in 1982 with Arafat almost defeated, when arrangement was made for him and the PLO to be exiled to Tunisia.

[\[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yasser\\_Arafat\]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yasser_Arafat)

It's possible, and historic, to "Snatch defeat out of the jaws of victory."

We must maintain our passion to have victory over the flesh, the world culture, Satanic influences.

1. Surrender to Yeshua, purity of mind
2. Prayer and intercession
3. Joy and celebration
4. Service to our community and surroundings.



[\[https://youtu.be/hBPI2214-jE?t=273\]](https://youtu.be/hBPI2214-jE?t=273)

Mes Jews/Heb 4.16 **Therefore let us draw near to the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace for help in time of need.**

Mes Jews/Heb 12.1-3 **Let us, too, put aside every impediment — that is, the sin which easily hampers our forward movement — and keep running with endurance in the contest set before us, looking away to the Initiator and Completer of that trusting, Yeshua — who, in exchange for obtaining the joy set before him, endured execution on a stake as a criminal, scorning the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Yes, think about him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you won't grow tired or become despondent.**

Rev 5.12-13 **"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" "To the One seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and power forever and ever!"**





Yermihahu/Jer 31.2-3, 6-7, 9-10, 12-13, 31 From a distance Adonai appeared to me, [saying,] “I love you with an everlasting love; this is why in my grace I draw you to me. Once again, I will build you; you will be rebuilt, virgin of Isra’el For here is what Adonai says: “Sing with joy for Ya’akov! shout for the chief of the nations! Proclaim your praise, and say: ‘Adonai! You have saved your people, the remnant of Isra’el!’ Look! I am bringing them from the land in the north, gathering them from the far ends of the earth; among them are the blind and lame, women with children, women in labor, all together, a vast throng returning here. Nations, hear the word of Adonai! Proclaim it in the coastlands far away. Say: “He who scattered Isra’el is gathering him, guarding him like a shepherd his flock.” For Adonai has ransomed Ya’akov, redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

“Then the virgin will dance for joy, young men and old men together; for I will turn their mourning into joy, comfort and gladden them after their sorrow. I will give the cohanim their fill of rich food, and my people will be satisfied with my bounty,” says “Here, the days are coming,” says Adonai, “when I will make a new covenant with the house of Isra’el and with the house of Y’udah.

Theology of dance parties:  
Not just a tavern.

This is the reconnection of Israel to her Messiah and covenant, and so an explosion of joy for Jews and the Nations. Operative word: **Together**. This is not only dancing for joy celebrating salvation, it is salvation within covenant identity. Therefore, Messianic dance is in lines and circles. Together.

1. Do you KNOW Yeshua and drinking the water of LIFE?
2. Are you hearing daily from His Word?
3. How are you applying what you heard?
4. Are you offering that water of life to anyone?