

Week of May 12, 2024



From Woody: The situation in the Middle East is painful to watch and just imagine what a nightmare it is for the innocent civilians caught in the midst of it. It appears that it is a religious war between Judaism and Islam. Nothing could be further from the truth. Whether God is called Yahweh or Allah, God wants peace as is taught in all the major World Religions. The October 7th attack on Israel by Hamas was horrendous, killing over 1200 Israelis that day. Israel has now killed at least 25 times that number of

Palestinians.

Eighty Jewish citizens of New Hampshire placed a full page add in the weekend UNION LEADER. The signers condemn both the Hamas attack and the response of Israel. Both sides have killed thousands of innocent human beings, just trying to live their lives. The college campuses in our country are filling with protesters, upset over the suffering of human beings in this awful situation, which could escalate at any time to involve neighboring nations. Here is a part of the ad, signed by 80 Jewish citizens of New Hampshire:

We strongly condemn Hamas's despicable and barbaric attacks on October 7. Yet that horror does not excuse killing at least 25 times as many Palestinians, whether it be in the name of revenge or security. .Israel's actions serve no long-term strategic purpose. For every actual Hamas terrorist killed, Israel is creating many more potential terrorists in their place. We understand Israel's right of self-defense, and we vigorously oppose anti-Semitism, but Israel's morally indefensible overreaction has only fueled Jew-hatred that is putting both Israel and all Jews at greater risk. Opposing what is taking place in Gaza is not anti-Semitism but rather opposing the killing of innocent children and adults.

The signers call for an immediate ceasefire to allow aid workers to safely enter, and for the release of all hostages. They also call for suspension of military aid to Israel, saying, "Our tax dollars and our weapons should not go to massacre any more people, especially children. By its reckless and brutal actions, Israel has forfeited the right to receive additional, unrestricted American military aid.....This is a courageous effort by our New Hampshire Jewish brothers and sisters to speak the truth and to stop the horror. To oppose the current Israeli policy is not Anti-Semitism but rather speaking out against a cruel government policy being carried out by a nation we call our friends. Let us all continue to pray for peace.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Thanks to everyone who contributed to ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING. We have received over \$3200 which is one of our largest ONE GREAT HOUR amounts. This will go to people who are in need all over the world.



Godspell this weekend: Our own wonderful pianist, Karinna, is the music director of the Peacock Players production of the classic show, GODSPELL, this coming weekend in Nashua. It is at 14 Court St, and will be Friday at 7pm and Saturday and Sunday at 2pm. Tickets can be purchased at peacockplayers.org. Hope lots of us can go. It is a great show....

Save the date...

Family Sunday

Sunday, May 19
10:00 am



Fully Rely On God!

On Sunday, May 19, the students of Covenant Kingdom will be celebrating their year of learning in Sunday School. It will be a fun, playful service with the children participating throughout! After service, please plan to join us for a picnic on the church lawn. B.Y.O. lunch and we'll provide the drinks and dessert!



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Peace Quote: ."We, as Jews, know all too well that dehumanizing others can lead to unimaginable tragedy. When six million Jews were murdered in the Holocaust, so many people and nations said nothing. This history is why we cannot remain silent in the face of Israel's conduct. We want to make it clear that this is not being done in our name; That is why we must speak out to end this war now." *The 80 Jewish signers of NOT IN MY*

NAME(the ad I have been discussing)