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TEHILLAH = Service of Praise

Welcome to Beit Gan-Eden (House [of] Paradise)! We are gathered here in the name of our righteous Messiah, Yeshua, to worship our Heavenly Father (Abba). Yeshua tells us. "Y'HoVaH is Spirit and worshipers must worship Him in spirit and in truth." Yochanan (John) 4:24. Shabbat Shalom, everyone!

TEFILLAH = Service of Prayer

All sing: "**Sh'ma Yisrael, Y'HoVaH Eloheinu, Y'HoVaH echad. (Deu 6:4)**
Baruch Shem kavod malchuto, le'olam va'ed!"

All say: "**Hear, O Isra'el, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, Y'HoVaH is one!**
Blessed be His Name. His glorious Kingdom is for ever and ever."

Leader: "**V'ahavta et Y'HoVah elohecha b'kol l'vav'cha u'v'kol nafsh'cha u'v'kol m'odecha.**" All say: "**And you shall love Y'HoVaH your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. (Deut 6:5)**
And Yeshua said: "Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Torah and the prophets are dependent on these two mitzvot." (Mat 22:37-40)

Leader: "Yeshua HaMashiach hu Adonai".

And everyone says: "**Yeshua the Messiah, He is LORD. Amen."**

BLESSING THE CHILDREN B'rachot Yeledim ברכות ילדים

Parents to their boys: "**May Y'HoVaH make you, (name/s) like Efrayim and M'nasheh (and personalise) Genesis 27: 27b-29.**

Parents to their girls: "**May Yah make you, (name) like Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel and Leah (and personalise) Num 6:24-26.**

All pray together: "**Heavenly Abba preserve these children for their fathers and mothers. May they be led into a life of obedience and faith through the Tanakh and Ketuvei HaShelichim. Blessed are You, Yah of Avraham, Yitz'chak and Ya'akov, who watches over these precious children of Your servants.**

TORAH = Service of The Word

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Torah: Sh'mot (Exodus) 13:17 - 17:16

Haftarah (Prophets): Shof'tim (Judges) 4:4 - 5:31

Ketuvei HaShelichim (Writing [of] the Apostles): Luke 2:22-24;

Yochanan (John) 6:25-35; & 19:31-37; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13;
2 Corinthians 8:1-15; Revelation 15:1-4

Drash (message): Arthur 'Avraham' Batakin

Hazak, hazak, v'nit'chazek! (Be strong, be strong, and let us be strengthened!)

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Nasrallah's son directed West Bank terror cell

by Yoav Zitun & Roi Kais. Jan.20.16 www.ynetnews.com/home/0,7340,L-3082,00.html

Shin Bet, IDF prevent attack by cell that was receiving instructions from Hezbollah leader's son; cell's orders included training suicide bombers and using explosive belts. The Shin Bet and IDF, in cooperation with police, foiled a terror shooting allegedly planned by a cell in the Tulkarm area led by Mahmoud Jalloul, who was directed by Hezbollah, the Shin Bet announced on Wednesday.

Jawad Nasrallah, son of Hezbollah Secretary General Hassan Nasrallah, used social media networks to recruit Jalloul, a Palestinian resident of Tulkarm.

In a statement, the Shin Bet said: "Jalloul was instructed to start an e-mail account, through which he received orders to recruit more members and collect advance information with the goal of committing terror attack.

"Among other things, the cell was instructed to carry out the following:

"1. Using a secret communication channel to receive instructions to commit attacks using explosive belts, to train suicide bombers, to collect information on training camps," and more.

"2. Instructions to carry out surveillance and collect information about security forces active in the area. Cell members asked Hezbollah for help in attaining weapons and funds with the goal of carrying out the terror attack.

"3. Hezbollah transferred \$5,000 to the cell through money transfers from abroad for the purpose of committing the attack.

"4. In addition, Mahmoud Masarwa and Ahmed Abu Al-Az purchased weapons from the cell's director, Mahmoud Jalloul, and were arrested before carrying out a shooting attack on IDF troops, and they were in possession of the weapon with which they intended to carry out the attack. The 'Carlo' type weapon was seized during the investigation."

The statement went on to describe the uniqueness of the incident: "This is a highly unusual incident in which a terror cell which grew under the direction of Hezbollah planned on carrying out an attack.

"Hezbollah is trying to ride the current wave of terror in Israel and is working diligently to fan the flames so as to increase the incitement by taking advantage of the Palestinian population and seducing its young people to carry out attacks in return for money.

"Hezbollah recruits and directs terrorist cells from abroad using the Internet secretly in order to carry out attacks."

Chinese President Calls for East Jerusalem as Capital of Palestinian State

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Xi Jinping addresses Arab League in Cairo before planned visit to Iran, announces millions in aid to Palestinians.

Chinese President Xi Jinping on Thursday called for establishing a Palestinian state within the pre-1967-war borders amid efforts by Beijing to assert its economic and political clout in the Middle East. Addressing the Cairo-



based Arab League, Xi said the Palestinian problem "should not be marginalized."

"China supports the peaceful process in the Middle East [and] the establishment of a Palestinian state with its capital being eastern Jerusalem," he added through an interpreter.

Xi announced 50 million yuan (\$7.6 million) in aid for the Palestinians. The United States, an ally of Tel Aviv, have unsuccessfully attempted to break a long-standing stalemate in Palestinian-Israeli peacemaking. Tensions between the two sides have been growing in recent months after a wave of Palestinian stabbing attacks on Israelis and clashes between Palestinians and Israeli soldiers. "Maintaining the legitimate interests of the Palestinian people is the responsibility of the Arab League as well as the international community," Xi said. For the Palestinian-Israeli conflict to end, negotiations should be pushed forward to reach a peace agreement, he said.

The Chinese president had arrived in Egypt Wednesday as part of a regional tour that has already taken him to Saudi Arabia. Iran will be the final stop in his three-nation trip. Xi's current visit to Egypt is the first by a Chinese head of state to the country in twelve years. On Thursday, the two countries signed 21 cooperation deals in different fields including energy, technology, investment, transport, agriculture, housing and culture as well as a 1-billion-dollar grant offered to Egypt's central bank. Egypt is seeking foreign investment to revitalize its economy, battered by political upheaval since the 2011 uprising...

Otniel stabbing victim Dafna Meir laid to rest in Jerusalem

Times of Israel staff contributed to this report

Family and friends mourn mother of six, an 'endlessly generous' nurse, who was killed in front of her kids in her home Sunday

Dafna Meir was buried in Jerusalem on Monday, a day after she was stabbed to death at the entrance to her home in the West Bank settlement of Otniel.

Security forces overnight Sunday detained five Palestinians for questioning in the area of the Otniel settlement amid searches for the terrorist who stabbed to death a woman in front of her teenage daughter at their home in the Jewish community.

In all, 27 Palestinians were detained during sweeps across the West Bank on suspicion of terror-related activities. The suspects were taken in for questioning by security forces. The five were questioned to ascertain whether they were connected to Sunday's attack in which Dafna Meir, 39, was stabbed to death in her home.

With three of her children in the house, Meir wrestled with the attacker before being stabbed and left for dead as the attacker fled. Media reports said her daughter Renana, 17, witnessed the attack and described the terrorist to authorities.

A funeral procession for the mother of six, two of them foster children, was underway Monday morning, setting out from Otniel toward the Har Hamenuhot cemetery in Jerusalem, where she was buried at 11 a.m.

On the morning after the attack, investigators were still trying to determine how the stabber entered the settlement. After killing Meir, the assailant made his escape, which was recorded on security cameras. However, there appeared to be no evidence that he had broken into the settlement, adding weight to the theory



that he was employed in the settlement, likely in construction.

Trackers found his escape path, but no evidence of his entry into the settlement, suggesting he had entered through the front gate.

As a precaution, all Palestinian workers were banned from entering settlements in the area on Monday.

Palestinians: Western Media's Ignorance and Bias

by Khaled Abu Toameh January 21, 2016. www.gatestoneinstitute.org/7271

§ Foreign journalists based in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv have for years refused to report on the financial corruption and human rights violations that are rife under the Palestinian Authority (PA) and Hamas regimes. Palestinian "suffering" and the "evil" of the Israeli "occupation" are the only admissible topics.

§ Another Ramallah-based colleague shared that a few years ago he received a request from a cub correspondent to help arrange an interview with Yasser Arafat. Except at that point, Arafat had been dead for several years. Fresh out of journalism school and unknowledgeable about the Middle East, the journalist was apparently considered by his editors a fine candidate for covering the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

§ Western reporters would do well to remember that journalism in this region is not about being pro-Israel or pro-Palestinian. Rather, it is about being "pro" the truth, even when the truth runs straight up against what they would prefer to believe.

Photographers surround staged photo ops....



Two Western journalists recently asked to be accompanied to the Gaza Strip to interview Jewish settlers living there.

No, this is not the opening line of a joke. These journalists were in Israel at the end of 2015, and they were deadly serious.

Imagine their embarrassment when it was pointed out to them that Israel had completely pulled out of

the Gaza Strip ten years ago.

You have to have some pity for them. These foreign colleagues were rookies who aimed to make an impression by travelling to a "dangerous" place such as the Gaza Strip to report on the "settlers" living there. Their request, however, did not take anyone, even my local colleagues, by surprise.

New Iranian-Backed Terror Group Makes Inroads in West Bank, Gaza

By: Adam Kredo January 19, 2016. <http://freebeacon.com/>

A new Iranian-backed terror group is making inroads in the Gaza Strip and West Bank, where it operates underground with the potential capacity to deliver devastating attacks to Israel, according to regional experts who have



been investigating the organization's rise.

The group, which goes by the name Harakat al-Sabireen, was established around May 2014 but has begun in recent months to boost its public profile on social media and brag about its plots to wage jihad against Israel, according to information gathered by regional analysts and provided to the Washington Free Beacon.

A State Department official who was not authorized to speak on record said that officials are aware of al-Sabireen and its activities. However, the group has not been officially designated as a foreign terrorist organization, though it is possible this could occur in the future.

Al-Sabireen says it has established an armed wing with militants in Jerusalem and the West Bank, according to a recent interview with the Palestinian news agency Ma'an. "Given the tense relationship between Tehran and Hamas the past few years, it makes sense that Iran would look to form another proxy in Gaza," Grant Rumley, a Middle East analyst at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies, said. "However, Sabireen's entire model of expansion hinges on its ability to present itself as a Palestinian, non-sectarian movement."

Like Hezbollah, al-Sabireen's official logo closely resembles that of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps, which is responsible for giving orders to these types of terror groups. The group's charter condones violent jihad and promotes attacks on "the racist Zionist body" and "America the great Satan," according to a copy published by the group on its official Arabic-language website.

Al-Sabireen has been plucking recruits from rival terrorist groups, according to Rumley. "It's unclear exactly what Sabireen's operational capabilities are right now, but we know that they've pulled recruits from a more established terror group, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, and that they've lost at least two fighters in two separate Israeli strikes, so they're on Israel's radar," Rumley said.

Al-Sabireen has been present at pro-Hezbollah rallies in Gaza that were also attended by leading Hamas officials. While not much is known about the group's composition, it appears to have two main leaders, one an operational leader and another who provides intellectual guidance.

Hisham Salem, the terror group's top leader, formerly served as a member of Palestinian Islamic Jihad, a State Department-designated terror organization, according to information provided by regional analysts. Salem, who is in his early 50s, was raised in the Gaza Strip and began referring to himself as al-Sabireen's leader in 2014. Salem claimed in a recent interview with the Palestinian press that armed members of the group are currently in the West Bank and Jerusalem.

"We have an armed branch whose goal it is to wage war on the Israeli occupation everywhere," Salem was quoted as saying. "Within this framework we have members in the West Bank and Jerusalem who will soon receive financial and military support from us." A recent propaganda video produced by the organization and posted to YouTube shows soldiers marching through Gaza with AK-47s.

While al-Sabireen has faced difficulty in expanding its base in Gaza, where the Hamas-controlled government cracks down on rival terror groups, it has been able to gain a foothold in the West Bank, where it can directly challenge both Israel and the Palestinian Authority.



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³¹ "Here, the days are coming," says Y'HoVaH, "when I will make a renewed Covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'udah. ³² It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers on the day I took them by their hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt; because they, for their part violated My Covenant, even though I, for my part, was a husband to them," says Y'HoVaH. ³³ "For this is the Covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says Y'HoVaH, "I will put My Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their Elohim, and they will be My people. (Yirem'yahu [*Jeremiah*] 31:31-33)

Congregation: *Isa 12:2* "See! Elohim is my salvation; I am confident and unafraid; for Y'HoVaH Elohim is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation!" *Isa 12:3* Then you will joyfully draw water from the springs of salvation. *Ps 3:8* Victory comes from Y'HoVaH; may Your blessing rest on Your people. *Ps 46:7* Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot is with us, our fortress, the Elohim of Ya'akov. *Leader:* "Baruch ata Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech Ha'olam, ha motze lechem m'in ha eretz." (divide challah)

Congregation: "Blessed are You Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the Universe who has brought forth bread from the earth. Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot, how happy is anyone who trusts in You! (Ps 84:12). Give victory Y'HoVaH! Let the King answer us the day we call. (Ps 20:9) I will take the cup of redemption and call upon the Name, Y'HoVaH. (Ps 116:13).

Leader: (with cup in right hand) "The cup of deliverance I raise and in the Name of Y'HoVaH, Yeshua HaMashiach, I call: Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech, ha'olam, boray p'ri ha'gafen." (Replace cup with spices)

Congregation: Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

Leader: Lifting spice container in right hand, says... "Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech ha'olam, boray meenee besamim."

Congregation: Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the various spices.

Leader: As Avram gave to Malki-Tzedek according to B'resheet (Genesis) 14:18-20, let us all come and bring our offering; then take some Chullah; smell the spices; take your cup, return to your seats and wait, so we can partake together.

Leader: Pray in relation to what Yeshua has done in connection with the day's Torah portion. "Let us eat and drink together".

Malachi & Tamar: Aharonic Blessing (see Num 6:22-27). Our Abba and Elohim of our fathers, we thank you for the joy and rest of this Shabbat. May the coming week bring gladness & peace, health & achievement. Like the fragrance of the besamim, we pray that the days ahead bring sweetness to our lives and the lives of our loved ones. May the peace, which we are enjoying linger till we gather for Shabbat next week. We ask this in Yeshua's name, Amein.

