

Dear Praying Friends,

We have received letters and messages from many of you in which you are asking about our safety, and we are very grateful that you are thinking and praying about us! Thankfully, we all, including our workers, volunteers and residents of our Rehab and Shelter are doing ok, though one of the rockets fell just about 100 meters from the Shelter.

Please do keep praying for Israel! Our nation is bleeding. We understand you are following the news. When I see the horrible videos from the places where the terrorists infiltrated Israeli settlements next to Gaza and executed entire families, and what they are doing to the kidnapped Israelis in Gaza (including the elderly and babies, whom they are keeping in cages), these scenes remind me of the Holocaust. The death toll has already reached 1200, and 90% of this number are civilians who were hunted down and killed by the terrorists... Israel will never be the same after this war.

I ask you to pray that now, when our people have seen that all the systems they had ever trusted – strong army, decisive political leaders, police and emergency services, etc. – simply collapsed during this terrible surprise attack, they will *truly start seeking the Lord and will find Him in the midst of this unspeakable tragedy.*

Thank you for standing with us at this dark hour,
Yours in Him,
Dov and Olga Bikas and Aviv Ministry team