# Live Prayer Service – Fellowship Fast TRANSCRIPT

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## **ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:**

Shalom. This is Erica Agree Prescott with the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews. Welcome to The Fellowship's annual Fellowship Fast Prayer Service. Please stay on the line. For the next 45 minutes, we're going to share in the blessing of prayer and fasting together with Yael Eckstein, president and CEO of The Fellowship, and our US Board Chair, Bishop Paul Lanier. Stay tuned. It's going to be a great service you won't want to miss. We'll get started in just a couple of minutes as we're adding thousands of Fellowship family members like you to the call. Please hold on the line as we add more people.

[00:40:00] Hello, and welcome to the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews Annual Fellowship Fast Prayer Service. We're adding thousands of other people who are committed to blessing Israel and the Jewish people to this call right now, and together we're going to spend some time seeking God's direction for our world, our holy ministry, and our lives. Please hold the line.

[00:01:05] Thanks for your patience as we continue to assemble. For those of you just joining, welcome to our special Fellowship Fast Prayer Service. Today we'll be joined by Yael Eckstein, President and CEO of The Fellowship and Bishop Paul Lanier, our US board chair. As a staff person of The Fellowship, let me just say that I'm so encouraged and humbled that you're here on the line with me, and I want to invite you to stay on the line as we gather together to end a very special day of communal fasting in our offices in Chicago and across America. Please stay on the line and we'll get started in just a minute.

This is Erica Agree Prescott of the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews. If you're just joining us, welcome to the annual Fellowship Fast Prayer Service. It's a joy to have you here. We'll be starting momentarily as people are still joining the call. In just a few minutes, we'll be hearing from Yael and Bishop Lanier and lifting each other up in prayer. So please stay on the line. If you would like Bishop Lanier to pray for you, please press zero on your phone, leave a request, and you'll be returned to the call. That's zero on your phone.

[00:02:30] Friends on the phone, many of the staff at The Fellowship have spent today in prayer and fasting, doing our best to get beyond our own worries and concerns and making God our first priority.

We've prayed for our nation, for Israel, for our families, for the poor and oppressed, for our health, and for so many areas of our lives where we need God's help and guidance. I know many on this call did the same thing as part of today's Fellowship Fast. We've heard from so many who fasted today from food, cell phones, television, all to have a more meaningful connection with God and to hear his word for our lives. In just a minute, Yael will share what she has been praying for today.

We will also hear from Bishop Paul Lanier, our US board chairman who will be reflecting on Psalm 107 verses 28 through 30, one of the scripture verses around which we built this year's Fellowship Fast. It reads, "Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper. The waves of the sea were hushed. They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven."

This is a favorite scripture verse for so many people, including me, so please stay on the line because later in the call Bishop Lanier will share how this verse can help strengthen your faith and enrich your walk with God. He'll also be praying for you our faithful Fellowship family members asking God for healing and courage to face life's challenges.

So if you would like Bishop Lanier to pray for you, please press zero on your phone, leave a request, and you'll be returned to the call. That's zero on your phone. We're so glad you're here. We'll begin momentarily as we want to allow as many callers as possible to join before getting started. Please hold for just a bit longer before we begin.

[00:04:20] If you've just joined us, I'm Erica Agree Prescott from the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews. Thank you for joining us for our annual Fellowship Fast Prayer Service. While we're still gathering, I'd like to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for your steadfast support of The Fellowship. Your continued partnership means so much to God's precious people in need across the globe. Thanks to you, we are able to help 2 million people in need each year. Your commitment to living out God's word is truly humbling to me.

Proverbs, Chapter 31, verses 8 and 9 says, "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy." Each of you on the call has been obedient to this biblical command and the many other biblical callings to bless those who are suffering. Thank you for partnering with The Fellowship to bless so many in desperate need. Your support means we can show God's love to Israel and the Jewish people in so many real and tangible ways. Now, I know some people are joining a little bit late. We're going to get started in just a bit.

[00:05:30] Welcome everyone to The Fellowship Fast Prayer Service. There's so much to talk about with you as we look back on the day. So many of you joined us in prayer online and in spirit throughout the day for our Fellowship Fast. If you're on the call now but weren't able to participate in today's fasting and prayer, please don't worry. Our time together today is for anyone who is seeking God's intervention and direction in their lives. And as I mentioned, we'll be taking prayer requests later in this call, so please stay tuned.

But now it's my pleasure to turn the call over to Yael Eckstein, President and CEO of The Fellowship who will share a brief message with us. Welcome, Yael. We're so glad you could join us.

[00:06:11] **YAEL ECKSTEIN:** Thank you so much, Erika. And thank you to each one of you for being with our Fellowship family for this very sacred and special time of prayer together. The truth is we all have prayers for our own lives, for our entire world, and for this ministry that each one of us have been called to take part in. And especially now, with Israel surrounded by enemies on all sides, and subject to ruthless attacks daily by Hamas, by Hezbollah, by Iran, and we see the anti-Semitism on the rise around the globe. We are called to pray for peace and protection for God's people. We know that evil is once again rearing its ugly head. And when the devil starts to show its face, it's always the Jewish people who it's targeting.

And so there's so much darkness, but thankfully during these troubled times, we have the most potent power and tool and weapon available to us and that is the power of prayer. I believe it with all of my heart as I know you do. In Psalm 1:22, we read, "I lift up my eyes to the mountains. From where does my help come?" As we say in Hebrew [*Hebrew*]. And then the answer comes in the very next verse: [*Hebrew*] My help comes from the Lord, maker of heaven and earth.

[00:07:56] So my friends, I am honored to stand with you today. Let us call out to God together, in unity, brothers and sisters and faith for urgent requests -- in our lives, for the entire world, and for the work that The Fellowship does right now to save lives. We are on the forefront and we need your prayers. We feel your prayers, and your prayers are making a difference.

So now I'd like to invite you to share your own prayer requests and join us together in, as we say in Hebrew, [*Hebrew*], in deep heartfelt prayer for one another. Thank you so much for joining. [*Hebrew*]. And back to you, Erica and Bishop Lanier.

[00:08:49] **ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Thank you. Thank you, Yael, for your inspirational words. In just a few minutes, we're going to be led by Bishop Paul Lanier, our US Board Chair, to pray with one another for peace and healing in our lives and in the world. If you would like Bishop Lanier to pray for you, please press zero on your phone, leave a request, and you'll be returned to the call. That's zero on your phone.

Bishop Lanier's passion for God, Israel, and the Jewish people is infectious and I'm so excited he's here with us today. Our time with Bishop Lanier is always memorable. Welcome to The Fellowship Fast Prayer Service, Bishop Lanier.

[00:09:26] **BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Hello, Erica. It's so wonderful to hear your voice and to hear from Yael in Israel, and literally in a matter of hours I'll be getting on a plane and headed towards Israel. And I'm just so grateful, all that God is doing in this, what the Bible would call, peculiar... He's a peculiar God, and we are His peculiar people. And this is a peculiar ministry of Jews and Christians loving the same God, pursuing His face with all of our faith. And today has been profound, and I'm so grateful for it.

**ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Wow. Bishop, for those on the call who may not know about it, can you tell us a little bit about The Fellowship Fast and what it means to you?

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Absolutely. That's a great idea. Back about five years ago, Yael and I were talking, and we had really come through a very painful time. Our beloved Rabbi, of blessed memory, who had founded this ministry, had gone beyond the veil. He'd gone to be with the Lord. And so, this ministry fell in the hands of Yael. And she was more than able to do what she needed to do, but that wasn't enough for her. She wanted to make sure that we were pursuing the face of God with everything we could. We wanted to feed people who were hungry, of course, and we wanted to clothe those who were naked, absolutely. But how could we, as a ministry of The Fellowship, move in a greater oil or anointing? And as she and I were talking, we realized that the most potent weapon in the arsenal of our faith is not simply praying, but praying from the fasted place within us and fasting from the praying place.

And so this is our fifth year of finding at least one day a year when we make a decision on our own -nobody's going to enforce or humiliate or anything like that -- but we push back intentionally from the table of consumption for the sake of the altar of consecration. I want to be closer to God, and I don't want my flesh to tell me who I am.

[00:11:47] And so when we look in the Hebrew scriptures, and we look in the Christian scriptures, we find -- not fringe folk -- but the very essential, the main characters of what we believe. And they were those who would push back from eating for a day, or a week, or some, 21 days, some, 40 days, 40 days and night because they needed to see the hand of God at work in their situation. And so what we have done today is move in God by our fifth annual Fellowship Fast, and I couldn't be more grateful. [00:12:30] **ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Thank you for your anointed words of hope, Bishop Lanier. I know God is speaking through you to encourage and bless us. He is most certainly at work in our lives. Yes, amen.

Now, Fellowship family, let us as today's scripture tells us, call on God and pray to him. We know he hears our prayers because the Bible tells us so. So let's pray. If you're on the phone with us right now and would like Bishop Lanier to pray for you, please press zero on your phone, leave a request and you'll be returned to the call. That's zero on your phone. We are honored and humbled to come alongside you as you seek God's provision for your life. So please share anything you'd like, big or small. And if you want to share a way that God has answered your prayers, we would love to celebrate that with you today as well. Just press zero on your dial pad to leave your prayer request or praise, and then you'll be returned to the call.

We'd like to hear from as many people as possible today, so I'll ask if you do share a prayer, request or praise, try to keep it brief so we can hear from others as well. If we can't get to your prayer today live on the call, please know your request will be transcribed and our team at The Fellowship will pray for you. It's always an honor for us to lift you up in prayer. Now let's take our first live caller. We have Vanessa from Haltom City. Vanessa?

[00:13:53] VANESSA: Hello.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hello, Vanessa. How are you?

VANESSA: Oh, I'm great. This is wonderful.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: What, isn't this great?

VANESSA: It is, it is. It's a blessing.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hallelujah. How can I pray with you, Vanessa?

**VANESSA:** Actually, I'm kind of going through a major transition, and right now it's very challenging financially, very, very challenging, so I'm believing God for a new job, possibly where I could work from home.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Yeah, yeah. Well, let's pray right now. Lord, I thank You for Vanessa. I thank You for her faith that's reaching out to You now. She says of herself, "Transition is taking place in my life." But I'm so grateful that You are the God who is the same yesterday, today, and forever. You are the God who was and is and is to come. And so we lean into your steadfastness, we lean into You because we know that You are, as we say, "Immutable." You never change.

And so I'm asking You right now -- first of all, I thank You for the faith of Vanessa -- but I'm asking now that You begin to open up her eyes of understanding to see the opportunities that You have before her. I pray favor upon her life, that her steps are ordered, that she will meet those people who can open doors of opportunity, that she can step into a place, even in a space where they might be firing people. I'm believing Vanessa is a covenant woman of God, and You're going to sustain her and make a way where there seems to be no way. And for this, we give You praise.

**ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Amen. We have Betty from Mount Washington. Betty?

BETTY: Yes.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hello, Betty. How are you?

**BETTY:** I'm doing good and you?

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Well, I'm doing better. I really am. Hearing your voice is good.

BETTY: Well praise God. Praise Him for it. Praise Him.

[00:16:00] BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Aren't we blessed?

BETTY: Yes. Amen.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Tell me how I can pray with you?

**BETTY:** Pray that my back will heal. Last year my blood pressure dropped 90 over 40, and I fell on the floor and smashed my vertebrae. I have a lot of trouble with that. Yeah. It's a miracle that I can walk as good as I do though, huh? Thank God for that. My blood pressure drops and my heart rate gets up, but I know God's going to heal me, and pray for my son David. He is an alcoholic and he takes drugs, smokes weed, and he is searching for God too. Pray that he will quit drinking and smoking that stuff. There's...

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Let's pray...

BETTY: ... a lot of good...

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: ...right now.

**BETTY:** ... qualities in him, but he will, every time we eat, he gives thanks to God. That's one good thing he does. Yes, sir.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** That's amazing. That's so beautiful. Lord, I thank You for Betty. I thank You that she used the word miracle, "It's a miracle I can walk." Thank You for the miracle in Betty's testimony. Thank You that when she fell, she knows it could have been so much worse but God, but God stepped in and saved that situation.

[00:17:20] Now, Lord, we're asking You who began a good work in her to continue that work and to complete it, to allow that miracle to continue in her vertebrae, that her back is strengthened. And I pray for that son of hers, David. He has a tender heart towards You. He knows You and he loves You, and he sits down at the table and he's fully aware that You are the author and finisher of his faith. That You are the one who puts food on the table. And she's right, he's searching for God in all the wrong places, and I ask that You would bring deliverance in his body and his mind, that he really just becomes allergic to the

things that are killing him, and he'll leave them alone and walk away and pursue You, Lord, completely and only. Amen.

ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT: Amen. We have Steven on the line from Toronto. Steven?

**STEVEN:** Oh, hello.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hello, sir. How are you?

**STEVEN:** I'm very good. I apologize. I feel kind of bad because my request, it's probably not as important as the other ones. I'm sorry.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** No, no, no, no, no. If it's got your name on it, it's got His name on it. If it matters to you, it matters to God.

[00:18:37] **STEVEN:** Okay? So I thank you. So it's two things. First off, I've been getting headaches and migraines for the last... at least five years. I've gone to specialists, MRIs, and the only thing that works is one pill. I'm hoping that the Lord will heal me so that the headaches and migraine stop, I don't have to take pills. But I also pray for boldness because I want to be able to give Jesus to people and people to Jesus. And I pray that the Lord will give me boldness to be more forward and bold about doing that because time's running out, and I want to get as many people to Jesus as I can. If I can ask...

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Well, let's pray.

**STEVEN:** ... for that, that's what I pray for.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Let's pray. Father, I thank You for a powerful man of God. Now, first of all, let's deal with these headaches, Lord. You know the cause of them. You know what makes his head hurt physiologically, neurologically. You created the body, and You tell us in Psalm 139, he is wonderfully made. He is exquisitely made. So You know the remotest detail of his body. Wouldn't You heal him in such a way -- and when You do it, he's going to praise You -- but do it in such a way that not only he but the doctor and everybody else knows something's changed in his body. Bring healing.

[00:19:41] Now, Lord, I thank You because he's praying for boldness, but I discern that he's already moving in boldness. I thank You that the same boldness that caused him to call tonight asking for prayer. I'm just asking You, Lord, to make him strong and sure and confident that as he walks into realms, people will see what the Hebrew scriptures talk about, that Shekinah, the Shekinah glory of the Lord upon him. That he moves in a boldness and a joy unspeakable and full of glory and a peace that passes all understanding. And for all of this, Lord, we give You praise.

**ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Yes, we do. Amen. We have Dorothy from North Carolina. Hi, Dorothy. **BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Hello, Dorothy.

DOROTHY: Hello.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: How in the world are you?
DOROTHY: I'm fine. How are you?
BISHOP PAUL LANIER: I'm all right, I'm in North Carolina too.
DOROTHY: Oh, what part?
BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Winston-Salem.
DOROTHY: Okay, a good ways away. I'm in Smithfield.
BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Oh, I know where you are.
DOROTHY: Huh?
BISHOP PAUL LANIER: I know where you are. How can I pray with you?

**DOROTHY:** Pray for my children. I have two boys and a girl. They all grown going their own way. Pray for them and their family.

[00:21:06] **BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Let's do it now. Lord, You hear a mother's heart. I bet if I sat down with her now, she could give me a half dozen other prayer requests that really are important, but nothing more important than her children. And I thank You for that compassion she has and that passion she has to see the hand of heaven at work in all of her family. Touch her children, overwhelm them with Your goodness. Overshadow them by the glory of the Lord that causes them to know mama's praying for me right now, and that they would move in the direction of God and that is faith. Amen.

ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT: We have Kathy on the line, Kathy from Maryland.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hello, Kathy.

KATHY: Hello, Bishop Lanier. How are you?

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: How are you? How's things in Maryland?

**KATHY:** Oh, it's a little storm. The weather started getting to the storm, but the good Lord cleared it up, and I can hear everybody loud and clear. It was breaking up for a little bit...

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Well, there you go.

KATHY: ...to be very honest.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** And isn't that just like the Bible verse we were talking about a moment ago, we call out to the Lord and the storms cease and the waves lay down, and the wind goes home. And that's what we pray. Now, how can I pray with you?

[00:22:32] **KATHY**: Oh, Bishop Lanier, sir, I am in desperate need. I need a job, but my prayer right now is also a mother's heart. My son was sexually assaulted 10 years ago at the age of two and a half, and I was not able to handle it. And my husband had taken my two grown daughters, and my twelve-year-old son away from me. And, Bishop, I need my son. I need to be a mother. I need to love him and bring him to us because he's such a good boy. That is my heart and prayer. And I also want a prayer for her son, Dave, because it is possible. I use THC as a pain and a medication, and I've been free since February. And just in the Lord's hands, I've had multiple PTSDs because of my son's assault, Bishop, but now I'm on no medicine. And I'm able to sleep and live comfortably with... I'm in the Lord's hands, but I need my son with me, sir.

[00:23:41] **BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Yes, ma'am. Let's pray right now. Lord, well, we're hearing from mamas tonight, and that's the most instinctive relationship we have. Everybody that calls tonight has something in common and that is a navel. We didn't get here on our own. We're connected to somebody, a mama. And I hear this mother's heart, and I can't imagine what her son suffered, what he's suffering now, what was stolen, and what continues to hurt the wound. And, Lord, this is something only You can step into. Only You, only You. This is a restoration that's out of our hands.

I ask that You touch this boy right now. Let him feel love that doesn't make any sense. Let him feel healing that people say he can never have. I ask that You would restore unto him a sense of healed self. And I'm not asking him to forget it. That's not going to happen, but I'm asking You to give him the strength to keep moving -- to think, speak and live beyond what happened. And to not allow anybody to make him a perpetual prisoner, that he begins to walk free, begins to discover Your perfect world. That all the family is healed, the anguish, the suffering within that family. Would You just bring deliverance to every member and let them feel that love? For this will give You all the praise. Amen.

ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT: Yes. Amen. We have Daniel on the line. Daniel from California.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hello, Daniel.

DANIEL: Hello. How are you this evening?

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: I'm doing well, sir. How are you?

DANIEL: I am excellent, thank you.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Wonderful. How can I pray with you, Daniel?

[00:26:00] **DANIEL:** Well, currently my son is serving in the Navy and his aircraft carrier as we speak is in the Red Sea. And he is currently married. He loves the Lord, but his wife is kind of sitting on the fence, so I would like them both raised up in prayer, and I would like the Holy Spirit to do His work in their lives.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Oh wow. Can I just know your boy's first name?

DANIEL: His name is Daniel as well-

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Daniel.

**DANIEL:** And his wife's name is Victoria.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Well, my grandfather's name was Paul. My father's name was Paul. My name is Paul. Both my boys' name is Paul, so I understand. Lord...

**DANIEL:** Yeah. My dad's name is Paul. I mean, excuse me, Daniel.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Isn't that something? That's amazing.

# DANIEL: Yes, sir.

[00:26:49] **BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Lord, I thank you for a father praying for a brave son, tour of duty now in one of the theaters of world violence, the Red Sea. Thank You for his bravery. Thank You for his service. Thank You for those he serves with. Keep him safe from every harm and danger. And I'm grateful according to a father's testimony that his son knows the Lord. Thank You. Thank You, Lord. Now, I pray for a daughter-in-law who -- wow, she's going through her own situation, having her husband away from home in the line of fire. Now I ask that You give her peace. Just reaching to her right now, Lord, because she's having to be strong. She's having to not give the impression that she's weak or concerned. Just rock her to sleep at night in such a way that she knows, This must be Daniel's God. Let her feel that passion that You have for her. Bless this entire family, and we give You praise. Amen.

ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT: Amen. We have Patricia on the line from Ontario. Patricia?

PATRICIA: Hello.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hi, Patricia. How are you?

PATRICIA: I'm okay, thank you.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: How can I pray with you?

[00:28:19] **PATRICIA:** Well, for financial breakthrough for me, and salvation for my two sons, Duane and Garrett. Garrett is in the military. Duane is searching for a job, so I'm praying for a job for him that pays him good benefits and good payment for him.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Could you tell me what your first request was again? What did you say? **PATRICIA:** Financial breakthrough.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Yes. Okay. Financial breakthrough. I wanted to make sure I got it right. Lord, I thank You for this precious woman of God who loves You, and we just come to You right now because of need. You tell us to cast all of our needs upon You, and You're the God who answers our need. You are that Jehovah, Jireh, the God who provides. And so I ask that You would meet every need, financial, that's probably tied to other things as well.

And I ask that You touch all of her family, her children. Would You just reveal Your great power in the midst of them, that they would begin to see the hand of heaven at work in their lives and their needs being met so that they would know, and that's what miracles are supposed to do. They don't take all the

attention for itself, but the miracle points. The miracle is a sign to the hand of God. And I'm believing that that entire family is about to see the hand of God at work. Amen.

**ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Yes. Amen. Let's go to Karen from Kentucky. Karen? **KAREN:** Yes. Hello.

[00:30:00] BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hello, Karen from Kentucky. How are you?

KAREN: I'm doing good.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Well good, good. How can I pray with you?

KAREN: I would like for you to pray for my children.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Yeah. Yeah.

**KAREN:** I ask that you pray that my son opens his eyes and knows that there is, and Jesus died for our sins.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Karen let's pray. Lord, this is another mother who has such a desire, almost a painful desire, but surely a heavy desire, to see Your hand at work in her children's lives. Nothing makes us cry or laugh more than relationships. And I'm praying now that You would hear the cry of a mother and that she would become the main witness to the miracle You're going to perform in her children. Please, oh God, please. Amen.

ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT: I'm going to go to Larry from Winter Haven. Larry?

LARRY: Yes. Hello.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Hello, Larry. How are you, sir?

LARRY: I'm doing fine, sir.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Wonderful. How can I pray with you, sir?

[00:31:30] **LARRY:** Sir, I'm in assisted living. I spent three months in the nursing home portion. I've been elevated to assisted living. My back... I can't walk. I'm in a wheelchair. I have cancer, prostate cancer. I'm a Vietnam veteran, and this falls from Agent Orange as you well know, I'm sure. I just wish that you would pray for me. I'm not by myself. I've got my brother and my sister and my children and my daughter in Fort Clinton, Ohio. She's coming down to visit me, but I wish you would pray for me, and pray for my family that God would bless us. And I certainly, certainly listen -- the International Fellowship of Christian and Jews. I pray for you folks. I'm part of it.

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Thank you, sir. Thank you, sir.

LARRY: And I just thank you for that.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Thank you. Let me pray with you. First of all, I want to say thank you, sir, for serving this nation in a war that didn't treat our people well when they came home. We didn't know

what to do as a country, and our boys came home and those who survived have had to survive day after day. Agent Orange and a host of other anguishes, things they saw, heard, felt, things they left there, things they brought home, they didn't want to bring home.

And I'm sorry. As a country, I'm sorry, and I thank you for who you were in your bravery. Now I'm praying now that God will touch your body that you gave for this nation. And I'm asking the Lord to heal you, cell by cell, and that every part of you, God in your body, God in your mind, God in your spirit, God in your cells, God in your bones, God in your muscles, God in your organs, God. And that every part of your being from your head to your heels has a testimony to the healing presence of Almighty God. Amen.

**ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Amen. A prayer that came in earlier during the fast today, Bishop, I'm sure you saw a lot of people were submitting prayers today.

#### BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Yes.

**ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** That's amazing. So we have -- Nicole from Elliott City submitted a prayer. She's asking for a miracle, miracle healing from Bell's palsy.

[00:34:38] **BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Oh, wow. Lord, I thank You for precious people who called in today and wrote their prayer requests, and some who are calling in tonight, and we won't be able to get to them. But I'm praying about this request right now. A body that seems to betray a person, and what you've wanted to be able to do, you can't do. Your hand won't function the way it used to, or you can't walk the way you want to, or just, your entire flesh is just moving in a completely different direction than your heart and your desire and your will. Bring healing, heal now, Almighty God. Let this day, this fifth anniversary of Fellowship Fast, let it be known for the healing presence and power of Almighty God. Amen.

[00:35:30] **ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Amen. We have another caller we can go to. We have Blake. Blake from Washington, D.C. Are you on the line?

BLAKE: Hello?

ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT: Hello, sir.

BLAKE: Oh, my God. It is a miracle that I got on here. How are you doing, father?

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** I'm doing wonderful, Blake. It's wonderful to hear your voice, sir. There in Washington. Man, I'm telling you, what's amazing to me is that today, while this Fellowship was fasting and praying that in the divine synchronicity of Almighty God, he had the Prime Minister of Israel in Washington speaking to the United States Congress, while we're fasting, while we're praying. And I just really do believe that the hand of God is in the midst of all of that. That just moves you. BLAKE: Oh, my God. And me too, Bishop. Me too.

### BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Isn't that amazing?

[00:36:34] **BLAKE:** Yeah. And I don't know if some say, I feel like some say D.C. is like a modern-day Jerusalem, and man, there is a lot of evil. The devil's got his army out, and God put me here to say that some of the city reject... It's almost like Jeremiah, the prophet, and God knows that if we come together as a country, the world, we can overtake these evil, evil army. I beg you for your prayers tonight. Tonight is the night.

#### BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Absolutely. Yes, sir.

**BLAKE:** And that's why I was almost so giddy, because I didn't think I was going to get on, and I don't remember how the last gentleman felt, but when you prayed, "God in your heart, God in your...". Oh, my God, I felt alive. So thank you for that.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Wow. Well, I want to pray for you right now because you're a patriot who loves this nation, that loves God and loves Israel. Lord, I thank You for my dear brother now, and You've stationed him -- I believe he's positioned by Your will in D.C., in Washington. Lord, I believe the hand of heaven was at work in Washington D.C. today, that while we were fasting in this Fellowship, Bibi Netanyahu was in Washington. And while we were praying, he was speaking, not to the Knesset, but to the Congress of the United States. That is the work of God.

While we're fasting, while we're praying, You're moving in the affairs of men and women and nations. Lord, just reveal Yourself to be so God to this country and to Israel. May we understand -- this is the reality -- is that our enemies, our enemies see us as inseparable more than we see it ourselves. Our enemies will say, "Death to America and death to Israel." Our enemies will say, "The great Satan is the United States, and the little Satan is Israel." They see us as inseparable while we're on the sidelines wondering if we should really care what happens in Israel.

But Lord, I just declare that You raise up within men and women in this nation an understanding that Israel is so much more than a military ally, but it's part of the supernatural reason You have sustained this country. Because even in the midst of our own worst sin as Americans, throughout our history we still had a heart for Israel. And so You blessed us according to Genesis 12:3. Now, I ask that You touch my brother now and together we agree that the hand of heaven remains over this country. Amen.

ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT: Amen. I think we can still have time to go to Juanita. Juanita from

Newfoundland. Juanita?

BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Juanita? Hello. How are you?

JUANITA: I'm fine, thank you.

#### BISHOP PAUL LANIER: Wonderful. How can I pray with you?

[00:40:00] **JUANITA:** I want to pray for salvation for my family. Some of my family knows the Lord and some don't. And one of my sons got two hernias now. He's waiting for surgery. But God is able, I believe You heal him.

**BISHOP PAUL LANIER:** Well, let's pray now. Lord, here's another mama. Not surprising, and she's saying, "I want all of my children to know God." Well, she came to the right God, because You are the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob. Not or Isaac or Jacob, but You're the God of generations. You're the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and Sarah and Rebecca and Rachel and Leah. You think generationally, Lord.

So this is not a big request. This is not something You haven't heard before. She's praying for her generations, and we're praying also that her son who has two hernias and is needing surgery -- I'm believing that You will heal him so that it wakens him up and the whole family sees the hand of heaven, healing taking place in that family. And every one of them look towards God and say, "We do believe in the one God of heaven." Amen.

**ERICA AGREE PRESCOTT:** Yes. Amen. Thank you so much, Bishop Lanier. Thank you for all your beautiful prayers tonight. I can tell that you were changing lives. Everyone, unfortunately, that's all the time we have left. But thank you so much for joining today's Fellowship Fast Prayer Service. I hope you feel assured of God's presence in your life, and we pray that he will continue to be gracious to you. As a reminder for everyone, if we didn't get to your prayer today live on the call, please know your request will be transcribed, and our team at The Fellowship will be praying for you. Now, before we end today's call, I just wanted to thank you again for your continued support of the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews. Without you, our work to help Jews in Israel and around the world could not happen. So thank you for your love and compassion for these precious children of God. If you'd like to know more about our work or keep up on the latest developments, please visit us online at IFCJ.org. Or if you're joining us from Canada today, please go to IFCJ.ca. Thank you and may God bless you, and bring you shalom peace.