

Declaration

of leaders and representatives of the Christian Church in Ireland affirming the uniqueness of the Nation of Israel

To the Joint Houses of the Oireachtas of Ireland

“In the Name of the Most Holy Trinity, from Whom is all authority and to Whom, as our final end, all actions both of men and States must be referred”

(Preamble to the Constitution of Ireland)

The preamble to the Constitution of Ireland reminds the Irish people, particularly those entrusted with responsibility to govern, that we will ultimately give an account to God.

In light of this, we, the undersigned leaders and representatives of Christian Churches in Ireland, declare the following:

- That the Bible alone is the inspired Word of God, given to the world through the Jewish people, for our instruction and moral guidance. (2Timothy 3:16)
- That the adoption of the Bible by our forefathers and their faith in Jesus Christ led to a historic reformation of our national character and to an international reputation as being a “land of saints and scholars.”
- We regret the attempts of recent governments, state sponsored NGO’s and media, to ignore and repress our national heritage that is rooted in the Bible and our Christian culture.

In light of the conflict in the Middle East we affirm the following basic Biblical principles :-

- That God has uniquely chosen the Jewish people as His means to bless and redeem the world. (Deuteronomy 7:6)
- That God gave the land of Israel to the Jewish people as their homeland and as an everlasting possession. (Genesis 17:8)
- That Mankind owes a profound debt to the Jewish people for the gift of the Bible and God’s Son, Jesus Christ. (Romans 9:4)
- That the modern restoration of the State of Israel is not an historical anomaly but of Divine origin and in fulfilment of biblical promises. (Isaiah 11:12, Jeremiah 16:14-15)

- That the current Middle East conflict is not fundamentally political, but of a spiritual and religious nature. (Genesis 3:15)
- That the modern conflict with Israel has very ancient origins which predate her foundation almost 4,000 years ago and also predate her re-establishment as the State of Israel in 1948. (Ezekiel 35:5)
- That this conflict has found expression in centuries of anti-semitism and hatred towards the Jewish people, even before they had a state of their own. (Psalm 83:4)
- That this conflict has manifested itself in recent history in the genocidal death machine of Nazi Germany and the self-declared genocidal intent of Jihadist movements; which include the present government of Iran and the Hamas regime in Gaza.

We repudiate the false claims that Israel is an apartheid state, a colonial occupier of their ancient homeland, or engaged in genocide.

We clearly understand that God has restored Israel in order to be a blessing to her neighbours and to all nations and we seek to do likewise. (Genesis 12:3)

“I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” Genesis 12:3

We understand these words of God to be a clear warning to individuals and nations regarding their attitudes and actions towards Israel and the Jewish people.

We call on the Irish Church to teach their people the simple Biblical message, of both Old and New Testaments, that Israel is chosen to be a light to the nations and the land of Israel is their God-given homeland.

We call on the Joint Houses of the Oireachtas to carefully consider these serious and consequential statements of the Bible regarding the State of Israel.

***“Now therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth”
Psalm 2:10***

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