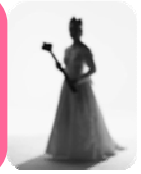


Hadassah Watch

"And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?" Esther 4:14b



WOMEN praying with other WOMEN for WOMEN across the world

We call on all Christian women around the world to take at least 15 minutes every Tuesday morning to pray. We encourage you to mobilize as many women as possible to pray, individually or in groups. Take a few minutes to ponder & pray at each point of the guideline below & be open to intercede as the Holy Spirit leads.

You are welcome to forward this e-mail to as many Christian sisters as possible. Please send us the name of the town and the country in which you reside & let us know what God is doing in your nations! [You are welcome to e-mail us with prayer requests and testimonies.](#) If you did not receive this e-mail directly from us, but would like to, feel free to send your e-mail address to info@hadassahwatch.org

We believe that God has called us as women, to intercede like never before, for His plans and purposes to be accomplished here on earth. Let us not slumber, but pray and call others to pray - for His Kingdom to come...

INFANTICIDE

Infanticide is the practice of someone intentionally causing the death of an infant. Female infanticide is sex-selective infanticide, which is a practice of aborting a fetus based on its gender (i.e. destroying the fetus if it is female)

THE KINGS OF THIS EARTH CANNOT NULLIFY GOD'S PURPOSES

This is the time of the year that we as Christians, think back and commemorate the most important event in Christendom, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Savior. When Jesus was an infant, king Herod wanted him dead. He ordered the killing of all baby boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and younger. God protected the infant Jesus by giving Joseph a dream in which he warned him of the danger and also told him to take Jesus and Mary and to escape to Egypt. God is the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. The kings of this earth cannot nullify God's purposes. God's plan for each and every life in this world cannot be meddled with!

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5

Thank God for giving his only Son Jesus Christ to die on the cross for your sins. Thank God for the plans and the purposes that He has for your life. Ask God to continually guide and protect you and your family.

PONDER THIS...OBEYING GOD RATHER THAN MAN

"The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, 'When you help the Hebrew women in childbirth and observe them on the delivery stool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live.' The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, 'Why have you let the boys live?' The midwives answered Pharaoh, 'Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive.' So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own." Exodus 1 :15 - 22

Shiphrah and Puah were truly courageous! They weren't merely disobeying an order from some small official; they went against the top man of that day, the very king of Egypt! They were not wimpy women who caved in after the smallest pressure. They were mighty women who feared God! They knew that it might cost their lives, but they refused to kill the precious lives that God had created. God must have scoffed at Pharaoh. Who was this man who would try to kill off God's people? Instead of their size decreasing, God blessed them with even more descendants! He was especially kind to Shiphrah and Puah. *Because they feared Him*, He blessed them with families of their own. Now, they not only helped bring babies into the world, they had little blessings of their own as well!

Is there a situation in your life where you're tempted to obey man rather than God? Are you scared, and think you may have to do what is asked, just to keep the peace? Are you afraid of what others might do to you if you *don't* do whatever it is? Maybe it's just a little thing, just a little disobedience that you don't think will really matter. Don't be afraid! As the apostles said in Acts 5:29, *"we must obey God rather than men!"* Remember the lives of these two courageous women who, because they feared God, were willing to go against the most important man in the whole land! They were blessed for it, because they trusted and obeyed and did not give in to fear. Next time you're faced with such a situation, what will you do? <http://maidensofworth.org/2007/04/shiprah-and-puah-obeying-god-rather.html>

Ask God to give you the courage to always obey God rather than men. Pray also for the many Christian nurses that are expected to assist in abortion and infanticide, pray that they would have the courage to stand against such procedures.

NATIONS

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb"(Psalms 139:13)

- In India, there are less than 93 women for every 100 men in the population .
- In Dharmapuri, one of the worst affected areas, an average of 105 baby girls were killed every month in 1997; In 1993, of the 800 female births registered in the Usilampatti hospital, 600 had 'disappeared'.
- Figures by United Nations say that about 750,000 female fetuses are aborted every year in India.
- The current all-India sex ratio in the 0-6 group is 927:1000, which is a dangerous sign of a demographic catastrophe on a nation-wide scale. http://pray4india.org/?page_id=70
- Female infanticide was commonly practiced in China in urban areas during the Qing Dynasty, due to over population, and in the second half of the twentieth century, due to the One Child Policy that created stiff financial penalties for parents who had multiple children. Daughters have been called 'maggots in the rice' because they take food that can nourish boys. Female infanticide is still existent in developing countries, especially developing countries where males are valued over females. http://www.wikigender.org/index.php/Female_infanticide
- Anecdotal evidence suggests that outright infanticide, usually of newborn girls, takes place in some communities in Asia. Medical testing for sex selection, though officially outlawed, has become a booming business in China, India and the Republic of Korea. <http://newsite.vday.org/female+infanticide>

Pray that God would change the hearts of the leaders in these countries, where infanticide still takes place, so that they will again respect the lives of every human being from the moment of conception to natural death .Pray that the laws in these countries would change to protect the infants and babies of both gender. Pray for the babies and infants in these countries that God would supernaturally protect them. Pray for Christian people all over the world to adopt these unwanted children. Pray for the protection of the babies and infants in your own country. Pray that may all come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ!

TESTIMONY : HAKANI A GIRL CALLED SMILE

In 1995, a Suruwaha Indian tribe woman in the Amazon Basin, Brazil gave birth to Hakani. Hakani means "smile" and she was a little girl full of bright smiles and laughter. During the first two years of her life, however, she did not develop the ability to speak or walk, causing her tribe to put pressure on her parents to kill her. Hakani's parents chose to escape this pressure and killed themselves leaving behind Hakani and four other orphaned children.

The responsibility to kill Hakani now fell to her oldest brother. He took his sister a short distance from the communal hut and buried her, still alive, in a shallow grave. Hakani's muffled cries continued as she lay buried in the makeshift grave. Many children's cries continue for hours, until a deep silence descends, but for Hakani the deep silence never came. Someone heard her crying, saved her from her shallow grave and placed her into the hands of her grandfather, who took her into his hammock. As the oldest member of the family, however, he knew what traditional practice demanded he yhat he kill her. He took his bow and arrow and shot Hakani. His arrow missed her heart piercing her shoulder. For Hakani the deep silence had still not descended, she had survived yet again. From that day on, at two and a half years of age, Hakani lived as an outcast. For three years she survived on rain water, bark, leaves, and insects and occasionally scraps of food one of her brothers smuggled to her. Along with this gross neglect she was physically and emotionally abused.

Over time Hakani lost her bright smile and all other facial expression. Her situation grew increasingly worse. Eventually her brother rescued her, carrying her to the home of a YWAM missionary couple who had been working for 20 years in the Amazon Basin. Hakani was weak and very ill, at five and a half years of age; she weighed 15 pounds (7kg) and was 27 inches long (69cm). The couple began to care for Hakani as if she was their own child, but it was hard. Initially, she responded to nothing, had no facial expressions, no emotion, and would scream and cry when touched because she had gone for so long without physical contact. The missionaries cared for Hakani and within six months of receiving love, care and medical attention Hakani began to walk and talk and her bright smile returned to her face. After a year she was double her weight and size. Today Hakani is twelve years old and with a bright laughing smile, she dances, sings and loves art. Her voice today is a voice for life. http://www.hakani.org/en/hakani_history.asp
Pray for more miracles like Hakani's life. Pray for more couples like this missionary couple, who will help & aid children that have been rejected like Hakani. Thank the Lord for His mercy & love that extends everywhere!

A CALL TO PRAY FOR THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA ON 22 APRIL 2009

Pray that God's Kingdom will be established in this nation as it is in Heaven. **Matt.6:10**

Pray that the incoming government will seek the Lord and strive for righteousness. **Hosea 10:12**

Pray that this nation will be built on truth and live in peace. **Is.26:2**

Pray that God's mercy will triumph over judgment for the healing of this nation. **James 2:13**

Pray that all Christians will pursue peace and forsake bitterness. **Heb.12:14**

Be blessed as you pray & spread the good tidings of the gospel of Jesus Christ!!!

Psalms 68 vs. 11 *"The Lord gives the command; The women who proclaim the good tidings are a great host..."*

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