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FROM THE NATIONAL PRAYER EMBASSY, HERE IS TODAY'S PRAYER ALERT: SEPTEMBER 20TH AT SUNSET IS THE JEWISH HOLIDAY OF ROSH HASHANAH ALSO KNOWN AS FEAST OF TRUMPETS, SINCE IT IS MARKED BY MEMORIAL BLOWING OF RAM'S HORN TRUMPETS ALSO KNOWN AS SHOFARS. THIS MARKS THE BEGINNING OF 10 DAYS OF AWE OR SELF-EXAMINATION AND REPENTANCE AND TURNING TO GOD IN PREPARATION FOR YOM KIPPUR, THIS YEAR ON SEPTEMBER 30TH, WHICH IS ALSO KNOWN AS THE DAY OF ATONEMENT, SINCE IT WAS THE DATE ON WHICH EACH YEAR THE HIGH PRIEST OF ANCIENT ISRAEL WOULD ENTER THE HOLY OF HOLIES IN THEIR TABERNACLE OR TEMPLE TO OFFER A BLOOD SACRIFICE TO COVER THE SINS OF THE NATION FOR ANOTHER YEAR. OBSERVANT JEWS GATHER FOR GROUP PRAYER WITH FASTING TO AFFLICT THEIR SOULS FOR THAT ENTIRE DAY. THIS IS FOLLOWED FIVE DAYS LATER, THIS YEAR ON OCTOBER 4TH, BY THE WEEK-LONG FEAST OF TABERNACLES, WHICH INVOLVES HOLDING NIGHTLY FAMILY DEVOTIONS IN TEMPORARY OUTDOOR STRUCTURES, LIKE TENTS OR LEAN-TO SHACKS, SOMETIMES DECORATED WITH REMINDERS OF OLD TESTAMENT BIBLE STORIES, ESPECIALLY REGARDING THE EXODUS FROM EGYPT AND THE WILDERNESS JOURNEY TO THE PROMISED LAND, DURING WHICH JOURNEY ISRAELI PEOPLE LIVED IN TENTS. ALL OF THIS IS A REMINDER TO PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM, FOR THE GROWTH OF THE MESSIANIC JEWISH MOVEMENT WORLDWIDE, AND THE SOON RETURN OF THE LORD. IT IS ALSO A REMINDER TO FOCUS ON THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST, BY WHICH WE OVERCOME THE DEVIL AND HAVE BOLDNESS TO ENTER GOD'S HOLIEST. LET'S PRAY ABOUT THIS TODAY: "FATHER GOD IN THE NAME OF JESUS WE THANK YOU FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM, THE GROWTH OF THE MESSIANIC JEWISH MOVEMENT WORLDWIDE, YOUR SOON RETURN AND YOUR PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST, BY WHICH WE OVERCOME THE DEVIL AND HAVE BOLDNESS TO ENTER AND STAY IN YOUR HOLY PRESENCE. WE PLEAD THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST OVER OUR PERSONAL LIVES, OUR FAMILIES AND CHURCHES AND NATION AND WORLD, TO MAKE PEACE AND TRUTH, AND MAKE US PERFECT IN EVERY GOOD WORK TO DO YOUR WILL, IN JESUS' NAME, AMEN!" FOR FUTURE ALERTS: 1-800-828-PRAY OR WWW.NATLPRAYEMB.ORG