



# Church of Perth Intercessory Team

*"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 CHRONICLES 7:14*

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## THERE'S BLOOD ON THE LAND

There's blood on the land of Australia. Much blood. Because of that blood the Bible makes it abundantly clear the land is defiled. The Word of God says: "Whoever kills a person, the murderer shall be put to death on the testimony of witnesses; but one witness is not sufficient testimony against a person for the death penalty. So you shall not pollute the land where you are; for blood defiles the land, and no atonement can be made for the land for the blood that is shed upon it except by the blood of him who shed it." (Numbers 35:30,33). Over the last two centuries this land has been stained red by the blood of Aborigines slain by whites, be they escaped convicts, bushrangers, settlers, police or government officials. Massacres occurred at sporadic intervals from the early days of settlement in 1788 until as late as 1928, generally following the frontier of white expansion across the continent: Tasmania in the period 1804-1830s; the Bathurst region in the 1820s; Gippsland, the Swan River Colony and Myall Creek in the 1830; the Murray-Darling area in the 1840s; central Queensland in the 1850s and 1860s; fringes of the desert in the 1880s and 1890s; and around Wyndham and Alice Springs up to the 1920s. On the other hand Aborigines murdered numbers of white settlers. As early as 1795 several farmers were killed in the Sydney region; the killing of a number of whites led to the "Battle of Pinjarra" in 1834; seventeen drovers were killed on the Oxley Plains in 1838; eleven people including several children were murdered when over 100 Aborigines attacked Hornet Bank station in outback Queensland in 1857; and the notorious outlaw Pigeon terrorised the West Kimberley's from 1894 to 1897 killing and pillaging. Yes much blood has stained and defiled this land of Australia throughout 150 years of black-white conflict!

Then there are the unatoned murders that have defiled this land. No one has been executed in Australia since Ronald Ryan in 1967 although many, many victims have been wilfully murdered over the last 35 years. In fact murder has become commonplace in this fair country of ours. Since humanism has reared its ugly head as the guiding philosophy (religion?) of our society the Ten Commandments – the basis of our Common Law – have been discarded like an unwanted rag. It seems that our political leaders have lost sight of the fact that the security of its citizens is the highest function of government and that capital punishment is God's ordained instrument to ensure their protection from those who would wilfully take their lives. Unquestionably it is the duty of government, as the power ordained by God, to act on His behalf and according to His will. Thus the ultimate penalty, capital punishment, should be re-instated for the crimes of premeditated murder and terrorism resulting in the loss of life. As the Bible states: "Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed" (Genesis 9:6). Meanwhile, however, the land continues to be stained by the blood of the innocent as our laws protect murderers' lives.

Last but not least is the defilement of the land by the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of babies in the womb. In five major wars this century some 82,000 Australians lost their lives in combat. Every year over 85,000 Australian babies are slain in the womb! That is one abortion for every three live births. In WA alone 8000 babies are aborted each year and since this evil practice was legalised three years ago 25,000 have been lawfully slain. The blood of this land is stained crimson by slaying a quarter of our population before they even see the light of day. As if that is not horrific enough, the taxpayers are funding the vast majority of these abortions. Oh, the shame of it all! If the mothers' lives were endangered the act of abortion could possibly be condoned. But the main reasons for abortions are social and economic, parading under the guise of a woman's choice. Thus we deprive human beings of the opportunity of enjoying the God-given experience of life; we rob the nation of its most valuable asset, its youth; and we allow ourselves to become brutalised through the

development of a holocaust mentality that believes some lives are more important than others. This confirmed by the fact that over 100 babies are killed each year (some as late as 26 weeks' gestation) in WA as part of a eugenics programme at King Edward Memorial Hospital. Now we are talking about legalising euthanasia – a euphemism for murder or suicide or both.

It seems that as man has rejected his Creator he has enthroned himself in His place. So we now believe that we are free to make our own rules about life and death. We have lost sight of the sanctity of life. But we are not animals. We are creatures made in the image of God. Therefore life is of inestimable worth and must be held sacrosanct. It must not be deliberately destroyed. God gives life and He alone has the prerogative of taking it back. We must repent of all the innocent blood that has been wilfully shed over the last two centuries. The awful stain of that blood must be cleansed away. Be assured, moreover, the only real cleansing is found in the perfect, sinless blood of the Lamb of God who died to take away the sins of the world. The Bible tells us that “without the shedding of blood there is no remission” of sins (see Hebrews 9:22). As a nation we must accept the forgiveness He offers through His blood that was shed on Calvary or reap the penalty of this land's defilement – the awesome judgement of God! **Leaders of Australia, are you listening?**

### **OUR PRAYER**

Restore us, O God of Hosts, Sovereign Lord of infinite grace, mercy and justice; Lord God Almighty of Israel; Mediator of the New Covenant; our Redeemer and Righteousness; our Sanctifier; Life-Giving Spirit of Truth, Light, Joy, Peace and Hope; the Alpha and the Omega; the Author and Finisher of our Faith; our Transcendent Creator and Designer; our Great High Priest and Saviour, the LORD JESUS CHRIST, the Living WORD of God. Father, we come united in faith, clothed in the blood of Jesus and yielded to Your omnipotent Holy Spirit of Truth to join the hosts of heaven to love and thank You for giving each of us the opportunity to have a personal intimate communion with You daily.

Omniscient Lord, we gratefully thank You for the price You paid to redeem us from spiritual death through the precious blood of Your Son, the LORD JESUS CHRIST 2000 years ago. Holy Lord of amazing grace, we thank You that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us, was buried, rose again and is now seated at Your right hand as our Great High Priest interceding for all who are His own. Lord God of Excellence, we acknowledge that while it is still the age of grace, it is Your desire that all men, women and children believe the gospel, trust in JESUS CHRIST as his/her personal Lord and Saviour and receive eternal life by the riches of Your Grace! May all leaders and citizens of this 'Great Southland of the Holy Spirit', study and show themselves approved before God by FAITH in Your revealed WORD concerning Christ and His substitutionary death for our sins and in His finished work on the cross of Calvary. We recognise that Romans 10:9-10 makes it clear that if we confess that **JESUS CHRIST** is **LORD** and believe in our heart that God raised Him from the dead we **shall** be saved from sin and death. We thank You Father that we then are clothed in Christ's righteousness (2 Cor: 5:21), through which we are APPROVED before God as far as our STANDING is concerned in our earthly walk. Blessed Holy Spirit, help us all, both leaders and citizens, to study the Word of God so we might know how to walk pleasing before our loving LORD as members of the Body of Christ.

Sovereign Lord, we come in deep repentance for our rejection of Your Word. Hear our cry for forgiveness of the innocent blood shed on Your land. Lord of Sanctification, we join Your omnipotent Spirit to take dominion anointing to call forth the fountain of Your precious blood to flow like mighty living waters across Australia to cleanse away the spirits of death, unbelief, hatred, injustice, greed, jealousy, pride, spiritual ignorance, idols, false gods, cults, witchcraft and deception and pull them down in Jesus' Name. Lord God, we acknowledge Your Word is supreme and inerrant – an integrated supernatural message whose origin is beyond the time dimension. We praise You, **LORD JESUS** that we are the objects of Your Grand Design that has a purpose and a destiny which go far beyond the limits of any natural laws. Blessed Holy Spirit breathe Your Breath of Life on us to restore this nation back into the Saviour's Bosom. Father, cleanse us with the blood of Jesus and renew our minds with Your Word of Life that we may dispense Your grace to a lost and lawless generation. We fervently pray and ask all this in Jesus' Majestic Name. Amen.

C.O.P.I.T. Led by our Lord Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit to glorify the Fatherhood of God with the Brotherhood of Man, in love and faithfulness to bring glory to our Eternal Father in Jesus' Name. Amen and Glory

**[REJOICE, UNITE, SHARE & LOVE ONE ANOTHER IN WORD & DEED TO GLORIFY OUR COMING KING JESUS]**