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CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Move over Jesus: Mohammed the new 'savior of humanity'

WND.com reports: "At this turbulent time in history when many people are looking for answers to their problems, a brand-new TV campaign calling the Islamic prophet Mohammed the 'savior of humanity' is about to saturate the airwaves of Australia.

'Tens of thousands' of dollars have reportedly been raised by the Muslim community to fund a series of 30-second commercials to begin airing on the country's biggest networks.

The ads are produced by My Peace, an Australian group looking to build bridges between the Muslim community and other citizens of the land Down Under.

The prime-time spots will air over the course of several months, and feature famous historical figures such as Mahatma Gandhi and George Bernard Shaw praising the virtues of Mohammed.

'This is a response to misinformation. Not many (Australians) are aware of who the prophet is and why we regard him so highly and so emotionally,' My Peace founder Diaa Mohamed told the *Sydney Daily Telegraph*.

'The commercials will be animated with voiceovers and will have quotes on the screen.

'Mohammed is the most influential man in history and the commercials will show what scholars and historians have said about him.'

Gandhi said the prophet 'holds undisputed sway over the hearts of millions' and Shaw called him the 'savior of humanity.'... (Four hundred times the Word of God states that Jesus is the Savior of the world.

I John 4:14, 15 states: "And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God." Jesus said in John 5:43: "I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive." II Peter 2:1 - 3 states: "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not." God awaken the sleeping, unconcerned

ministers of America and Australia to warn their nations.)

Girl Scouts of Britain replace 'God' with 'myself' in oath

Breitbart.com reports: "Recently, Great Britain's Girl Guides (their equivalent of U.S. Girl Scouts) and Brownies removed God from their 103-year-old oath.

Instead of the passage where they used to promise to 'love God,' they will now vow to be true to 'myself' and develop 'my beliefs.' The organization said the move is intended to attract girls from secular families.

Andrea Minichiello Williams, CEO of Christian Concern, condemned the move, saying, 'These values have their roots in a Christian outlook. Taking 'God' out of the promise denies the history and foundations of the movement without offering anything in its place, with the result that the organization will lose its distinctive ethos and end up meaning nothing.'...

The Girl Guides in Australia also deleted God from the vow last year. The Boy Scouts in Great Britain are considering a similar move next month.

Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts in the United States still vow to 'to serve God and my country.'... (II Timothy 3:1, 2 warns: "**This know also, that in the last days perilous [dangerous] times shall**

come. For men [and women] shall be lovers of their own selves..." The final signs of Christ's imminent return are appearing in abundance. "...prepare to meet thy God" – Amos 4:12.)

Atheists want their own military chaplains

Breitbart.com reports: "For weeks now *Breitbart News* has reported on religious liberty in the military, both the freedom of service members to share their faith and also the plight of military chaplains being censored on what they can say in religious counseling.

Now atheists are demanding their own chaplains.

Rep. Robert Andrews (D-NJ) will be introducing an amendment in Congress to create atheist chaplains in the Armed Forces. The duties of a chaplain are to offer (1) prayer, (2) spiritual counseling, and (3) religious instruction.

No one has yet offered an explanation of how an atheist chaplain is anything other than an oxymoron, since by definition an atheist (1) believes there is no divine being to hear prayer, (2) has no spirituality, and (3) no religious beliefs..." (Psalm 14:1-3 states: "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none [atheists] that doeth good. The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God. They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one.")

Syrian jihadists publicly behead Catholic priest

Israel National News reports: "A Catholic priest has been publicly beheaded by Syrian terrorists after he was accused of collaborating with President Bashar Al-Assad's regime.

Franciscan Father Francois Murad was executed along with two other people in the countryside of Idlib in northern Syria, the *New York Daily News* reported. The brutal beheading was filmed and posted to the Internet.

The Vatican confirmed Murad's death, but the circumstances surrounding the 49-year-old priest's death are not entirely

known, reported the *Daily News*.

Spectators recorded the killings that included two others with their smartphones and cameras before uploading it online..." (Islam commands that all infidels should be killed and primarily by beheading – Sura 47:5. Revelation 20:4 predicts such an hour is coming during the seven year period of tribulation. I believe Christians who are true believers will be evacuated (Raptured) before the horrendous hour occurs. Revelation 4:1 the "come up hither" takes place before chapter 6:9 "...I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held." These victims are the Christian converts during a time of great revival during the tribulation hour – Revelation 7:4 – 8, 9, and 14. See the next three reports.)

Syrian rebels to Christians: flee or die!

WND.com reports: "A new report from a ministry worker who visited a remnant of Syria's Christian community confirms the worst: Rebels battling President Bashar al-Assad for control are imposing Islamic law, giving Christians the choice to flee or die.

The report is from the *Religious Freedom Coalition*, the faith-based organization run by William J. Murray, author of 'My Life Without God.'

Murray explained that the report on persecution of Christians in Syria by jihadists was by Martin Janssen, who visited Amman, Jordan, for a prayer walk held for two Syrian church leaders kidnapped by Syrian rebels, Greek Orthodox Archbishop Paul Yazigi and Syriac Orthodox Archbishop Yohanna Ibrahim.

The report, in Dutch, was translated by Mark Durie, an Anglican vicar in Melbourne, Australia, and an associate fellow at the Middle Eastern Forum.

After the prayer walk, Syrian Christian refugees told Janssen they had been attacked by the rebels fighting in Syria, where Christians had been allowed to worship and live under Assad's regime..."

Fears for Egypt's Christians following murder, arson attacks

Israel National News reports: "Fears have been raised over the plight of Egypt's Coptic Christian community, after a series of attacks - including the assassination of a priest and an arson attack against a church - following the ouster of Muslim Brotherhood-backed President, Mohamed Morsi.

According to *Al Masri al-Youm*, 39 year-old Mena About Sharoben was gunned down in the coastal city of Arish by unknown gunmen riding a motorcycle. Sharoben was a local Coptic priest, and his murder was one of several attacks by suspected Islamist terrorists over the past few days, who also targeted at least three military checkpoints and El Arish International. Airport in one of Egypt's most lawless regions.

Those attacks prompted a senior Egyptian military official to announce an impending major military operation in the Sinai Desert, aimed at rooting-out Islamist insurgents, who have also targeted oil-pipelines and police installations.

The report by *Al Masri al-Youm* further cited the Maspero Youth Union as condemning what they described as 'Muslim Brotherhood attacks on churches.'

According to the statement, 'The president's supporters attacked [the] churches in Luxor, Qena, Minya, Towa, Sharm el-Sheikh and Marsa Matrouh. We say to them, tear down all the churches, it is not going to stop us from rebuilding Egypt... We will use the stones of our churches to build our homeland.'

The day before, four Copts and one Muslim were killed in sectarian clashes in the village of Naga Hassan, during which 23 Christian-owned homes were set on fire, according to Egypt Independent - though in that case it was unclear whether the clashes were the result of a sectarian or personal dispute..."

Now it's Buddhists behaving badly

WND.com reports: "Buddhist clerics in Sri Lanka reportedly have launched a terror rampage against Christians that has included attacks ranging from verbal

threats to beatings and church burnings.

And Christians say Sri Lankan authorities have done little or nothing to protect them.

Barnabas Aid U.S.A. Executive Director Julian Dobbs says the attacks have prompted fear among Sri Lanka's Christian minority.

'The Christians in Sri Lanka are under

considerable threat and quite naturally with this many attacks there is considerable concern for safety among the Christians,' Dobbs said.

Dobbs says the threats are wide ranging. 'The monks have threatened the communities; they've threatened to kill church leaders if they don't shut down the churches,' Dobbs said.

Dobbs adds that since Christians make up only seven percent of the population, the Christians, both Anglican and Catholic, are keeping a low profile.

'The threats aren't directed specifically at Anglicans or Catholics, or the evangelicals. The threats are being made against the Christian community as a whole,' Dobbs said.."

THE EGYPTIAN COUP D'ÉTAT

Army ousts Egypt's President Morsi

BBC News reports: "The head of Egypt's army has given a TV address, announcing that President Mohamed Morsi is no longer in office.

Gen. Abdul Fattah al-Sisi said the constitution had been suspended and the chief justice of the constitutional court would take on Mr. Morsi's powers.

He said Mr. Morsi had "failed to meet the demands of the Egyptian people".

Later, the leader of the Muslim Brotherhood's political wing, the Freedom and Justice party, and his deputy were detained, officials said.

Saad al-Katatni, who heads the party, and the Islamist movement's deputy head, Rashad al-Bayoumi, were reportedly picked up hours after the speech.

Anti-Morsi protesters in Cairo gave a huge cheer in response to Gen. Sisi's speech.

However, U.S. President Barack Obama said he was "deeply concerned" by the latest turn of events and called for a swift return to civilian government.

The army's move to depose the president follows four days of mass street demonstrations against Mr. Morsi - Egypt's first freely elected president - and an ultimatum issued by the military which expired ..."**(22 million Egyptians protested against President Morsi because of his promotion of Sharia Law which calls for the killing of daughters who have had sex without marriage, homosexuals, and apostates of Islam who say an unkind word about Mohammed or the Koran, and all infidels, including members of all other religions, especially the Christian faith outside of Islam. These protesting Muslims want democracy and peace.)**

Egyptian coup uncovers anti-Obama sentiment

WND.com reports: "America certainly has popularity problems - despite spending billions of dollars - among the nations in the Middle East and north Africa, but it took the uprising in Egypt, in which a Muslim Brotherhood-linked president apparently was taken down, to reveal the full extent of dislike of America's president, Barack Obama.

'Wake up America - Obama backs up a Fascist Regime in Egypt,' declared one banner.

'Obama Supports Terrorism,' said another.

And another stated, 'Obama you jerk. Muslim Brotherhoods are killing the Egyptians so how come they can guarantee you the security of Israel? Hey Obama, your deal with the Muslim Brotherhood was unsuccessful. Obama you idiot. Keep in mind that Egypt is not Muslim brotherhoods and if you don't believe that go and see what's happening in Tahrir Square.'

The U.S. and Egypt long had been on friendly terms under former President Hosni Mubarak. However, as part of the Arab Spring movement that claimed it was in pursuit of freedom but actually installed radical Muslim elements in power in several nations, he was ousted at Obama's encouragement.

Mohamed Morsi, with all his links to the radical Muslim Brotherhood, was installed as the new president a year ago.

But now the U.S. has taken a hands-off attitude, and Morsi apparently was challenged by his own military.

No matter who calls the shots for the next weeks or months, it is expected Egypt will be in turmoil..." **(President Obama is now paying the price for his**

favoritism and playing the religious game of claiming Christianity and attempting to please Muslims by doing everything under his power to please a religion whose main goal is to kill all Jews and the Christians. President Obama - "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other..." - Matthew 6:24.)

Israel closely, quietly monitoring Egyptian developments

Israel National News reports: "Israel is closely monitoring developments in Egypt as a new regime begins to take form following the military ouster of Muslim Brotherhood-backed President Mohamed Morsi.

There has been no comment from the office of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who has asked all cabinet ministers, the Foreign Ministry and all official spokespersons not to comment on the events taking place across Israel's southern border.

One official told the *AFP* news agency on condition of anonymity the government is 'closely monitoring the situation in Egypt but is not making any predictions because things are still developing.

'It is important that the Egyptian people can enjoy a new level of freedom and self-determination... but the current situation has sent shock waves throughout the Arab world and it is causing some concern in Israel,' the source said.

'There is great uncertainty over Egypt's future and it is very difficult for Egypt, which is caught up with internal issues, to deal with security problems,

notably from terror groups in Sinai,' another source told *Army Radio* – also speaking on condition of anonymity.

Former public security minister Avi Dichter, however, was willing to speak on the record and grimly told *Voice of Israel* radio listeners in Hebrew that he believes Israel will eventually be punished by the Muslim Brotherhood for its president's ouster..." (**Armageddon approaches – Revelation 16:16. Russia leads the horrendous battle and the King of the South – Egypt – who becomes that leader at that hour leads an Arab Federation united with Russia to attempt to fulfill Psalm 83:4: "They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that**

the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance." See the next report.)

Iran says Egypt coup 'improper,' Russia warns of 'civil war'

Israel National News reports: "Iran says the recent overthrow of Egyptian President Mohamed Morsi was 'improper,' and Russia is warning the country is on the brink of 'civil war.'"

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Abbas Araghchi was quoted by the country's official *IRNA* news agency as saying supporters of the deposed president should not give up their quest to reinstate him.

The presidency, he said, should not be decided by 'the streets.'

Speaking in a statement ... Araghchi said, 'Islamists and revolutionaries should not be frustrated. Arab Spring can be followed by warm summer and cold winter,' too.

It was with the regime of the Muslim Brotherhood-backed Morsi that Iran and Egypt ended more than 30 years of a freeze that dated back to Iran's 1979 Islamic Revolution.

Russian President Vladimir Putin was quoted by Russian news agencies as saying that the clashes between Morsi supporters and opponents is threatening to take the country into total chaos..."

NEWS FROM IRAN

Moderate cleric Hassan Rowhani to be Iran's next president

Haaretz reports: "Moderate cleric Hassan Rowhani won Iran's presidential election, the interior ministry said, scoring a surprising landslide victory over conservative hardliners without the need of a second round run-off.

Interior Minister Mostafa Mohammad-Najjar announced on state television that Rowhani secured just over 50 percent of the ballot based on a 72 percent turnout of 50 million eligible voters. 'Mr. Hassan Rowhani ... got the absolute majority of votes and was elected as president,' Najjar said.

The outcome will not soon transform Iran's long tense relations with the West, call into question its disputed pursuit of nuclear power or lessen its support of Syria's president in the civil war there - matters of national security that remain the domain of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

But the president runs the economy and wields important influence in decision-making and Rowhani's meteoric rise could offer latitude for a thaw in Iran's foreign relations and more social freedoms at home after eight years of confrontation and repression under hardline President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, who was legally barred from seeking a third consecutive term.

Though an establishment figure, Rowhani is a former chief nuclear negotiator known for his nuanced, conciliatory approach. He has pledged to promote a policy of 'constructive interaction with the world' and to enact a domestic 'civil rights charter...' (**It's a relief to rid the world of the obnoxious second Hitler of our day. I collected over 500 headlines wherein Ahmadinejad constantly threatened America and Israel. Hopefully President Rowhani will be a little more conciliatory and gracious. However, Imam Khamenei who controls Iran and its people still pulls the puppet's strings. However, we know that Persia, which changed its name to Iran in 1935, marches with Russia for Armageddon – Ezekiel 38:1, 2, and 5. See the next report.**)

New Iran president thanks 'messiah' for victory

WND.com reports: "Iran's newly elected president, Hassan Rohani, attributed his victory in the recent voting to the 12th Imam, Mahdi, a statement with ominous overtones in the Islamic regime's quest for nuclear weapons.

The Shi'ites believe that at the end of times, the 12th Imam, a 9th-century prophet, will reappear with Jesus Christ at his side, kill all the infidels and raise

the flag of Islam in all four corners of the world. Many analysts believe Iran is seeking nuclear capability to bring on that Armageddon.

'This political [election] was due to the kindness of the last Islamic messiah [Mahdi],' Rohani said..."

Spokesman says Iran's president 'will return with Hidden Imam'

Radio Free Europe Radio Liberty reports: "An Iranian government spokesman has said that outgoing President Mahmud Ahmadinejad will return with the Hidden Imam, who according to Shi'ite belief went into hiding in the 10th century and will reappear to bring justice to Earth.

'God willing, with the manifestation of Imam Mahdi, Ahmadinejad will also return and work for the establishment of pure Islam,' spokesman Gholam Hossein Elham was quoted as saying by Iranian news agencies.

Ahmadinejad and his close aides have been criticized in Iran over their repeated references to Mahdi and signs of his imminent coming.

Ahmadinejad came under fire in March for saying that former Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez will be resurrected alongside Jesus and the Hidden Imam..." (**This is a deadly headline. Past President**

Ahmadinejad is now looking for Islam's messiah, Mahdi. In past headlines this former president stated "I must kill all Jews before my messiah comes. Let's hope and pray that he can't find him in order to avoid a global tragedy. However, no nation or person will rid the world of God's Chosen People – Deuteronomy 7:7, 8; because Yahweh, our God has given Israel "...an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off." – Isaiah 56:5. See the next two reports.)

Iran: Syrian crisis prelude to coming of Mahdi

WND.com reports: "A high Iranian politician believes the Syrian revolution could be the catalyst for sparking a worldwide conflagration that will usher in an era of Muslim domination of the world.

'One can smell from the crisis in Syria the coming ... of the end of times and the coming of the last Islamic messiah,' said Ruhollah Hosseinian, a member of the Islamic regime's parliament. Previously he was deputy of the Intelligence Ministry and a member of board of trustees of Islamic Revolution Document Center.

Shiites, whose clerics rule Iran with an iron fist, believe that at the end of times, the 12th Imam, Mahdi, a 9th century prophet, will reappear with Jesus Christ at his side, kill all the infidels and raise the flag of Islam in all four corners of the world. Many analysts believe Iran is seeking nuclear capability to bring on that Armageddon..."

Ahmadinejad touts Holocaust denial as great success of his tenure

Haaretz reports: "Outgoing Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad described his denial of the Holocaust as one of his greatest achievements, the *Fars News Agency* reported.

'That was a taboo topic that no one in the West allowed to be heard,' Ahmadinejad said in a speech looking back at his time in office. He had enough courage to bring up the issue, he said.

'That broke the spine of the Western capitalist regime,' he claimed.

Since he was first elected in 2005, Ahmadinejad repeatedly threatened to destroy Israel and called the Holocaust a 'fairy tale.' His remarks led to a worldwide wave of condemnation.

About 6 million Jews were murdered in the systematic genocide that took place throughout Europe during World War II under German dictator Adolf Hitler. Holocaust denial is today illegal in Germany and other countries.

President-elect Hassan Rohani described Ahmadinejad's anti-Israel remarks as 'hate rhetoric' that had brought the country to the brink of war.

Ahmadinejad also said in a Tehran ceremony organized by the government in his honor that 'the name Ahmadinejad is now popular throughout the world.' This was not only a success for Iranian foreign policy, he said, but had also improved Iran's image.

'I had two missions: to build up Iran and to improve the world,' he said, adding that the two goals were 'inseparable...'

Ahmadinejad asks Russia to build new nuclear power plants in Iran

The Fars News Agency reports: "Preliminary talks have been held with Russian officials on the construction of new nuclear power plants in Iran, Ahmadinejad said in a meeting with his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin in the Kremlin.

Ahmadinejad further said that the Bushehr nuclear power plant is a symbol of 'constructive cooperation' between Tehran and Moscow, adding both sides can develop this model and construct new power plants.

The Iranian President left Tehran for Moscow to meet his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin on the sidelines of the 2nd summit of the Gas Exporting Countries Forum (GECF).

The Bushehr nuclear power plant's utmost power for the generation of electricity is 1,000mw.

Iran signed a deal with Russia in 1995, according to which the plant was originally scheduled for completion in 1999. However, the project was repeatedly delayed by the Russian side due to the intense pressure exerted on Moscow by the United States and its western allies. Russia finally completed physical construction of the plant last summer, but the facility still needed one more year to gradually reach full power generation capacity..." **(Since Russia – Ezekiel 38:1, 2 – and Persia – Ezekiel 38:5 – which changed its name to Iran in 1935, unite for World War III, the above headline makes sense.)**

TERROREST THREATS

IAEA chief sounds warning on 'nuclear terrorism'

SpaceDaily.com reports: "The head of the U.N. atomic agency warned against complacency in preventing 'nuclear terrorism', saying progress in recent years should not lull the world into a false sense of security.

'Much has been achieved in the past decade,' Yukiya Amano of the

International Atomic Energy Agency told a gathering in Vienna of some 1,200 delegates from around 110 states including 35 ministers to review progress on the issue.

'Many countries have taken effective measures to prevent theft, sabotage, unauthorised access, illegal transfer, or other malicious acts involving nuclear or other radioactive material. Security has been improved at many facilities

containing such material.'

Partly as a result, he said, 'there has not been a terrorist attack involving nuclear or other radioactive material.'

'But this must not lull us into a false sense of security. If a 'dirty bomb' is detonated in a major city, or sabotage occurs at a nuclear facility, the consequences could be devastating.

'Nuclear terrorism' comprises three main risks: an atomic bomb, a 'dirty

bomb' -- conventional explosion spreading radioactive material -- and an attack on a nuclear plant..." **(One of the most prominent signs pointing to Christ's return is terrorism – Matthew 24:37; Genesis 6:11. In Luke 21: 9 Jesus warned: "But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things [terrorism] must first come to pass...then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory" in verses 27 and 28 "...then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." – The rapture of the body. See the next two reports.)**

Terror group poses new threat to U.S.

WND.com reports: "A Pakistani terrorist group involved in the notorious Mumbai, India, terrorist attack in 2008 is becoming a new threat to the U.S. homeland, according to a report in Joseph Farah's *G2 Bulletin*."

It is the Lashkar-e-Taiba, or LeT, which analysts agree is posing an increasing threat to the United States.

Affiliated with al-Qaida, LeT is one of Pakistan's oldest Sunni militant groups, according to Stephen Tankel of the Washington think-tank Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Tankel said LeT is an emerging threat at this stage and believes the United States needs to reallocate intelligence resources to focus more on this Islamist militant group.

LeT has put the U.S. on its enemies list and has been actively attacking U.S. and coalition forces in Afghanistan since 2005..."

Canada foils al-Qaida-inspired plot to bomb Canada Day event

The Jerusalem Post reports: "Canadian police said they recently foiled an al-Qaida-inspired plot to detonate three pressure-cooker bombs during Monday's Canada Day holiday outside the parliament building in the Pacific coast city of Victoria, arresting a Canadian man and woman and seizing their home-made explosive devices.

Police said there was no evidence

to suggest a foreign link to the planned attack, which targeted public celebrations outside the parliament building in Victoria, capital of the province of British Columbia.

They declined to detail any links between the two Canadians and the al-Qaida network. They also said they were not aware of any connection to the April 15 bombings at the Boston Marathon in which three people were killed by devices built from pressure cookers.

"This self-radicalized behavior was intended to create maximum impact on a national holiday," Wayne Rideout, assistant commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, told a news conference.

"They took steps to educate themselves and produced explosive devices designed to cause injury and death." Police said there was no risk to the public at any time because they began monitoring the suspects in February and had known all along what was happening..."

CREEPING SHARIA

Militants kill young man by amputating hand, foot in Syria's Aleppo

The Fars News Agency reports: "Militants in Syria brutally amputated a hand and a foot of a young Syrian man in Reef (outskirts of) Aleppo's Al-Bab.

Terrorists of the al-Nusra Front left the 22-year-old Eid Satouf in front of his house to bleed to death after amputating the young man's hand and foot.

Al-Nusra Front accused the young man of theft.

Terrorist and militant groups, which are fighting against the government in Syria with the strong support of the United States and its western as well as the regional allies, have caused an atmosphere of fear and intimidation throughout the country for their brutal and vicious crimes, Alalam reported.

Aleppo has been the scene of uncountable violations since militants

seized and occupied some areas and set up a local ruling system of their own.

They hold trials and execute punishments based on their own laws.

Earlier the Al-Nusra Front brutally executed a 15-year-old boy named Mohammad al-Qatta in front of his family in Aleppo's Sha'ar..." **(Sharia Law commands the death sentence for premarital sex for females, homosexuals, apostates within Islam, and infidels of all other religions. The removal of a hand and a foot is for theft. It's a vicious law. 22 million Egyptians just got rid of President Morsi because of his demand for Sharia law. Soon a one world religion will form and a verse never yet fulfilled, is put in place as the leader of this global religion "changes the times and the laws" -- Daniel 7:25. See the next report.)**

Report: Syrian rebels executed a 14-year-old boy for insulting Islam

The Washington Post reports: "When a 14-year-old boy from the Syrian city of Aleppo named Mohammad Qatta was asked to bring one of his customers some coffee, he reportedly refused, saying, 'Even if [Prophet] Mohammed comes back to life, I won't.'

According to a story reported by two grassroots Syrian opposition groups, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights and the Aleppo Media Center, Qatta's words got him killed. A group of Islamist rebels, driving by in a black car, reportedly heard the exchange. They stopped the car, grabbed the boy and took him away.

Qatta, in refusing to serve a customer coffee – it's not clear why – had used a phrase that the Islamist rebels took as an insult toward the Prophet Mohammed, the most important figure in Islam. That

offhand comment, made by a boy, was apparently enough for these rebels to warrant a grisly execution and public warning.

The rebels, according to *ABC News'* reconstruction of the Syrian groups' reports, appear to have whipped Qatta.

When they brought him back to where they'd taken him, his head was wrapped per a shirt.

The rebels waited for a crowd to gather; Qatta's parents were among them. Speaking in classical Arabic, they announced that Qatta had committed

blasphemy and that anyone else who dared insult the Prophet Mohammed would share his fate. Then, the shirt still wrapped around the boy's head, the rebels shot him in the mouth and neck..."

KNOWLEDGE INCREASED

China's Tianhe-2 retakes fastest supercomputer crown

BBC News reports: "A China-based supercomputer has leapfrogged rivals to be named the world's most powerful system.

Tianhe-2, developed by the government-run National University of Defence Technology, topped the latest list of the fastest 500 supercomputers, by a team of international researchers.

They said the news was a "surprise" since the system had not been expected to be ready until 2015.

China last held the top rank between November 2010 and June 2011.

According to the list, the U.S. has the world's second and third fastest supercomputers, Titan and Sequoia, while Japan's K computer drops to fourth spot.

The latest version of the twice-yearly list - which is overseen by Hans Meuer, professor of computer science at the University of Mannheim - was published to coincide with the International Supercomputing Conference in Leipzig, Germany.

According to the Linpack benchmark, Tianhe-2 - meaning Milky Way-2 - operates at 33.86 petaflop/sec, the equivalent of 33,860 trillion calculations

per second.

The benchmark measures real-world performance - but in theory the machine can boost that to a "peak performance" of 54.9 petaflop/sec..." (**Revelation 13:1, 7, 8, 11 - 18.**)

Trio of 'super Earths' discovered in a star's habitable zone

The Sydney Morning Herald reports: "Three 'super Earth' planets have been found orbiting a nearby star at a distance where life in theory could exist, according to a record-breaking tally announced by the European Southern Observatory (ESO).

The three are part of a cluster of as many as seven planets that circle Gliese 667C, one of three stars located a relatively close 22 light years from Earth in the constellation of Scorpio, it said.

The planets orbit Gliese 667C in the so-called Goldilocks Zone - a distance from the star at which the temperature is just right for water to exist in liquid form rather than being stripped away by stellar radiation or locked permanently in ice.

'It's exciting that we've found a nearby star that has so many planets in its habitable zone,' said University of

Washington astronomer Rory Barnes, part of an international team.

The planets are called 'super Earths' because they are relatively small compared to the giants that comprise most of the exoplanets, which lie beyond our Solar System, spotted since 1995.

It is the first time that so many 'super Earths' have been netted in one scientific haul, and shows the value of seeking out low-mass, Sun-like stars that appear to generate these promising worlds, the astronomers said..." (**Luke 21:25 - 28; 31, and 32: "And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh...So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.")**)

NEWS FROM ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Basij commander: Syrian crisis to end with Israel's collapse

The Fars News Agency reports: "Commander of Iran's Basij (volunteer

Force Brigadier General Mohammad Reza Naqdi underlined that the current crisis in Syria will terminate with the collapse of the Zionist regime.

'The end of (crisis in) Syria will lead to the collapse of the Zionist regime,' Naqdi said in the Northern province of Golestan.

Elsewhere, he referred to the recent unrests in Turkey, and stressed, ‘What is happening in Turkey is a lesson for those who say that we should turn to the West.’

In relevant remarks, Naqdi underlined that the recent unrest in Turkey is the result of Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan’s policy of concession to the demands of Washington and other western countries.

‘Today, the Turkish government has reached a point that the streets in Turkey are the scene of conflicts every day due to the propaganda of the western media, and Turkish Prime Minister Erdogan is complaining about *BBC* and *CNN* (‘s biased reports),’ Naqdi said in Tehran.

‘This is the result of interaction with the U.S.,’ he added...’ **(Israel’s collapse? Never! Daniel 12:1;**

Matthew 24:21, 22 – the elect who are spared are Jews – Isaiah 42:1; 45:4; 65:9, 22; Romans 8:32; and Isaiah 56:5 where God promises His Chosen People; “I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name...” See the next report.)

Poll: most Israeli Arabs support violent uprising

Israel National News reports: “About 58% of the Arab citizens of Israel say that the Palestinian Authority Arabs would be justified in starting a violent rebellion (‘intifada’) if the diplomatic process does not advance. A similar percentage advocate an ‘intifada’ by Israeli Arab citizens if their situation does not improve considerably, according to a poll, which was carried out by Prof. Sami Samoha of Haifa

University, with the Israeli Democracy Institute.

The views are in line with the call by an Arab Knesset Member, for an Arab intifada inside Israel.

The poll shows that 63% of Israel’s Arab citizens think Iran should continue its nuclear development, despite the evidence that Iran seeks Israel’s destruction through nuclear weapons.

About 54 percent of the Arabs prefer Israel over any other country as a place to love. And yet, 70% do not accept Israel’s right to maintain a Jewish majority.

While 70% of the Arabs say that the government is treating them like second-class citizens, a full 72% would like the Arab parties in the Knesset to join the coalition – although the Arab MKs themselves oppose this move...”

NEWS FROM RUSSIA

China and Russia conduct joint naval drill

BBC News reports: “China and Russia are beginning joint naval drills which Beijing has described as the country’s largest with a foreign partner.

The drills, which are taking place in the Sea of Japan, last from 5-12 July.

People’s Liberation Army chief Gen. Fang Fenghui said the drills did not ‘target any third parties’, but aimed to deepen ties with Russia.

However they come amid tensions with regional neighbours including Japan and the Philippines over maritime disputes.

China has overlapping claims with Tokyo and Manila in the East China and South China Sea respectively - something which has led to a marked deterioration in ties in recent years as China has pressed its claim more assertively.

Last month the U.S. and Japanese navies held joint exercises off San Diego...” **(China and Russia become headlines in the final war**

– Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. The first invasion is headed by Russia, aligned with an Islamic group of nations, one being Iran – Ezekiel 38:1, 2, 5, 8, 16. The second invasion is headed up by China and the left over armies of Russia and Islam – Daniel 11:44; Revelation 16:12; and Revelation 9:14 – 18. The third and final invasion is when all nations converge upon Jerusalem and Christ returns to end the battle and set up His kingdom in Jerusalem – Zechariah 14:2, 4; and Luke 1:32, and 33. See the next report.)

Iran, Russia plan joint naval drills in Caspian Sea

The Fars News Agency reports: “Iran and Russia plan to conduct joint naval exercises in the Caspian Sea before the end of 2013, a senior Russian Navy commander announced.

Deputy Commander of Russia’s Caspian Flotilla Nikolai Yakubovsky made the announcement after meeting with the Commander of the Iranian Navy flotilla that has been dispatched

to the Russian port city of Astrakhan.

The two countries conducted their first joint naval maneuvers in the Caspian Sea in 2009. A total of 30 Iranian and Russian warships participated in the joint exercises.

Iran and Russia have recently expanded their military cooperation and interactions. The Iranian Navy sent a flotilla of warships to Astrakhan.

‘Two missile-launching warships which have been manufactured by the young Iranian experts and joined the Navy’s fleet in 2003 and 2006 were for the first time dispatched to the Russian port of Astrakhan in the form of a flotilla,’ Lieutenant Commander of the Iranian Navy Admiral Siyavash Jarreh announced.

He further mentioned ‘consolidation of the friendly relations between Iran and Russia’ as the goal of the Iranian flotilla’s mission, adding that the Navy also aims to display the might and increased knowledge and experience of its young personnel...”