

## **JEWISH POPULATION IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA**

JAN 10, 07. The Jewish population in Judea and Samaria grew by nearly 6% in 2006. According to figures released by the Interior Ministry, there were 268,379 Israelis living in the 126 Jewish communities in Judea and Samaria at the end of 2006, compared with 253,748 in 2005. The figures did not indicate how many of the additional residents were children born in the communities.

## **GAZA TERRORISTS SEEK TO USE KATYUSHAS**

JAN 8, 07. A number of Palestinian terror cell members have recently left the Gaza Strip and traveled abroad to learn how to manufacture and effectively launch short-range Katyusha rockets with an estimated range of over 35 kilometers, high-ranking defense officials told *The Jerusalem Post*.

While the Kassam has been the Israel Army's immediate focus, a high-ranking defense official said that it was necessary to begin preparing for the possibility that the Palestinian terror organizations in the Gaza Strip would also soon obtain rockets with even longer ranges than that of the Katyusha. – Jerusalem Post

## **ISRAEL GRANTS LICENSE TO CHRISTIAN TV CHANNEL**

*Daystar Television Network*, which owns and operates 50 television stations across the United States, will be the first Christian network to broadcast into every home in Israel with 100% Christian content.

"This is a first. Never before has the nation of Israel granted a license for a 100% Christian channel to broadcast into all of Israel. Up until now, it has either been illegal, impossible, or impractical. The message of the Gospel will now be going into every home in Israel 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. This is a moment in time that we will always remember," said a spokesman for Daystar.

The opportunity came after a year of negotiations with Jewish leaders, and a six-month trial of Daystar's flagship shows: Celebration and the Joni show. According to details provided to the media, Daystar can now be seen in Israel on the HOT Cable System on channel 98. That is a strategic placement, next to the Knesset Channel on channel 99.

(By Daystar Television Network, January 5, 2007)

Pray the Lord's blessing on Israel for their willingness to allow freedom of religion to such a generous degree. Praise God for this wonderful favor and blessing.

"Blessed are the people who know the joyful sound! They walk, O LORD, in the light of Your countenance. In Your name they rejoice all day long, and in Your righteousness they are exalted" (Psalm 89:1516).