

# Harvest Today

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**MIDDLE EAST**  
to **CHRIST**



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**T**hank you for being united in heart and purpose with us, as together we broadcast the love of Christ to people around the world... and most urgently now to those in the troubled Middle East.

We want to encourage you about the important role you're playing today, with these inspiring words from Dr. Sumrall's book, *Jerusalem: Where Empires Die*. We pray it helps believers like you learn more about how you can impact our world today as you meditate on the early church in Jerusalem!

God is today calling all those He

wants and needs in His service, and He is calling them to be in the place of His choosing.

Those of us who are His children by spiritual rebirth must seek, find, and affirm the place He has picked for us.

If we are not in that place, His work in this world will be hindered by our disobedience, and we will miss out on the fullness of the blessing He has in store for those who are in His perfect will.

Acts 2:1 tells us "they were all *with one*

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## You're broadcasting hope to the Middle East through METV

Thanks to your support of LeSEA's Middle East TV (METV):

- People in potentially 150 million homes across the Middle East are hearing about Christ.
- People in 25 countries, including Syria, Iraq, Israel, Egypt, Jordan, and Sudan, have access to God's truth.
- Every home in Israel can hear about Jesus Christ through METV, Israel's most-watched Christian channel.

Thank you for the tremendous impact you're making in the Middle East and beyond!

## You're helping turn hearts in the Middle East to Christ

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*accord*” (emphasis added).

This was important for the proper beginning of the Church, but it was a dramatic difference from the earlier experience of the disciples.

Before, the mother of James and John, the sons of Zebedee, had come to Jesus and asked if her boys could have the places of greatest honor in His kingdom, making the other ten disciples angry. “And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brothers” (Matt. 20:24).

On other occasions, the proud and self-centered disciples had argued among themselves about which of them would be greatest in the kingdom (e.g., see Luke

9:46). They even argued about it during the Last Supper, just a few days before Jesus’ death (see Luke 22:24).

Far from being united in purpose, each disciple was seeking the best position for himself in Jesus’ chain of command.

By the day of Pentecost, however, having witnessed the resurrected Lord Jesus, they had put their petty, selfish, divisive concerns behind them and were united in purpose.

Again, the lesson for us is clear. Believers today must come together in purpose if our world is to be as fully blessed through the Church as God intends.

## Why you need to know about **JERUSALEM**

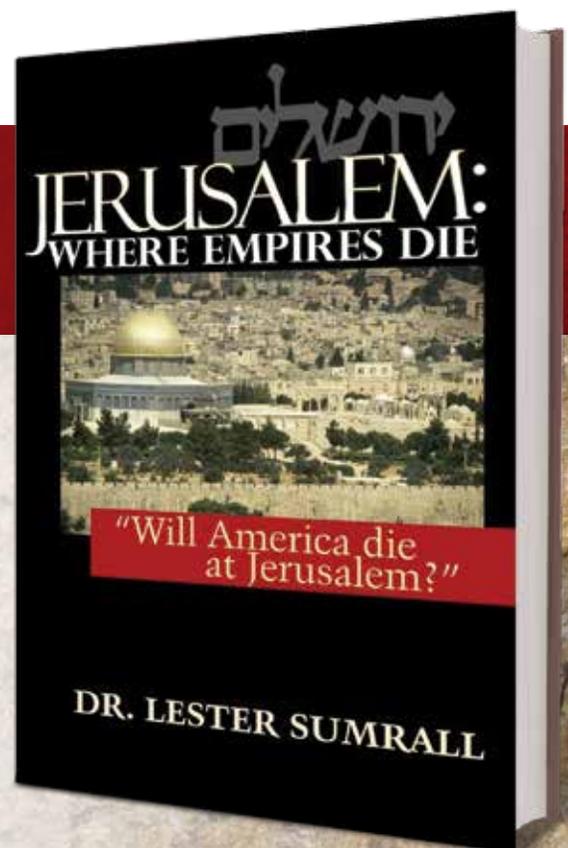
**G**etting God’s perspective on Jerusalem will encourage you that He’s in control. That’s why we want to send you a copy of *Jerusalem: Where Empires Die* by Dr. Lester Sumrall.

In it you’ll discover:

- **Why Jerusalem is so significant for you as a Christian**
- **Why Jews and Muslims fight to gain control**
- **What role Russia plays in its future**

As our thanks for your gift this month, we’ll send you a copy of *Jerusalem: Where Empires Die* unless you check the box on the reply form that says otherwise.

Your generosity helps impact millions of lives, as together we broadcast the Good News of Jesus Christ to people throughout Jerusalem, the Middle East, and all around the world. Thank you!





## Q&A with Pete

**Q.** Pete, tell us why you're so passionate about LeSEA's Middle East TV (METV) ministry.

**A.** Through METV, we have the amazing potential to take the Gospel into 150 million homes in 25 countries. People in this troubled region desperately need to hear about the hope and peace that only Christ can bring!

Firas from Iraq told us, "It is really such a blessing to have Christian TV programming [through METV] when it was once considered a big dream for all of us here. My pastor, fellow ministers, and some of my brothers in the church, as well as me, are really blessed by the many sermons that are being broadcast daily. Thank you, and God richly bless your wonderful ministry."

**Q.** What kind of impact is METV making in Israel and the Middle East?

**A.** We're hearing many testimonies like this one from Monica in Tel Aviv: "Your programs on METV are very important in this area of the world (Middle East/Israel). In times of crisis, I have many times received encouragement and strength through your broadcasts."

And Esther, an Israeli, told us: "I think it's very important what you guys do and how you touch everyone you can through your ministry. Thanks

so much, and may God keep touching the hearts of the people through METV and LeSEA." We are so grateful to our partners who are making it possible for METV to impact lives like this!

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**Q.** Tell us why you love Jerusalem.

**A.** The Bible always comes alive for me there! I stand on the Mount of Olives, where Christ will return. I love the Eastern (or Golden) Gate, sealed up by [Ottoman Sultan] Suleiman who feared that a king greater than he would enter that gate. One day Christ will go through that Golden Gate as the King of kings and Lord of lords, and Jerusalem will be His headquarters.

In February, I prayed at the Western Wall with a flash drive full of prayer requests that people had sent to me specifically to be prayed for there. It's where I left the names of all of our partners, asking God to bless them!

# From Pete Sumrall to You

Dear Friend,

I believe you are one of those people who will experience God's unique blessing—His *shalom*, the Hebrew word for “peace, wholeness, prosperity, and welfare”—as you generously bring Christ's salvation message of inner peace and wholeness to people around the world.

I want to especially thank you in this newsletter for the way your support is helping to broadcast the Gospel to people across the Middle East through Middle East TV (METV).

Your support makes it possible for men, women, and children in potentially 150 million homes in 25 countries like Syria, Iraq, Israel, Egypt, Jordan, and Sudan to hear the Gospel through METV.

People in the Middle East need Jesus—the Prince of Peace—now more than ever.

Man is having no better success today at resolving the issues than people had 6,000 years ago, and it boils down to a simple issue: Jerusalem, and the control of the city that is “God's City.”

You know, empires throughout history have tried to control Jerusalem.

Those who have supported this city and the Jewish people have *prospered* and have had God's blessings in their lives. Those who have taken positions against this city and its people have seen their kingdoms and empires *diminish*.

For that reason, it's my pleasure to send you a copy of *Jerusalem: Where Empires Die* by my Dad, Dr. Lester Sumrall, as my special thanks for your gift of support this month. I know this great study will prosper you in your walk with God and enrich your faith as it has mine.

Thank you again for partnering with us to bring God's message of peace and hope to people all around the world, including the Middle East.

May you be richly blessed by the Prince of Peace with His *shalom* as you bless others!

Yours for the untold billions yet untold,

Pete Sumrall

Pete Sumrall  
President, LeSEA Broadcasting



## Jerusalem – Miracle City

By: Dr. Lester Sumrall



**J**erusalem is the miracle city of the Earth. Every foot of its ground is vibrant with historical significance. On the land one may observe timeless landmarks and sacred memorials. In the decisive moments of human history, Jerusalem's voices have always been heard. This means that the city is not simply ancient stone and story—it has real life and vigor. The city has a soul. It has a personality.

Jerusalem carries the honor of being the world's most hated city. There have been more wars at her gates than any other city in the world. No spot on this globe has known the heartaches, the tears and the bloodshed of Jerusalem. The “City of Peace” has been

... for I have poured out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD. (Ezekiel 39:29)

besieged by tyrants; it has been inflamed by riots within; it has known treachery and intrigue; its walls and streets have been splashed with blood generation after generation.

While it is hated, Jerusalem is also loved more than any other city on the face of the Earth. Tens of thousands of returning pilgrims had kissed the earth as they beheld her, glistening like a jewel in the sun. Jerusalem is precious to God and man. It's the emblem of spiritual beauty. No city in history has so perpetually stirred the heart of mankind as has Jerusalem.

**Jerusalem is yet to be the theater for the drama of the coming Jewish Messiah, and the royal capital of the King of kings.**