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Wave of Russian drones, missiles kills two in Kyiv

July 10, 2025 *spacewar.com* reported: "Kyiv was shrouded in dark smoke early Thursday after Russia hammered Ukraine's capital with its second large-scale drone and missile barrage in as many nights, killing at least two people.

The massive barrage came before Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov was set to meet his US counterpart Marco Rubio in Malaysia, and as Ukrainian leader Volodymyr Zelensky was in Rome to push for more political and military support. AFP journalists heard loud detonations reverberating over Kyiv throughout the night and saw flashes from air defence systems illuminating the sky during the attack..."

Top Iranian Cleric Demands Trump's Execution

July 9, 2025 *breitbart.com* reported: "Leading Iranian cleric Ayatollah Ahmad Khatami called for the execution of President Donald Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu during a sermon in Tehran on Friday.

Khatami accused Trump and Netanyahu of 'murdering' tens of thousands of people in Gaza, as well as Iran's top terrorism coordinator Qasem Soleimani, who was liquidated in Baghdad by a 2020 airstrike ordered by President Trump.



Ayatollah Ahmad Khatami

The Iranian regime has commanded its subjects to regard Soleimani as a religious 'martyr,' but many Iranians refuse to show the mandatory respect to the slain Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) general.

The crowd at Khatami's sermon, however, seemed to be on the same page as the fire-breathing cleric, chanting 'Death to America,' 'Death to England,' and 'Death to Israel' as he called for Trump and Netanyahu to be executed. 'Death to England' is a hardy perennial in Iranian murder chants..."

Gazans reject Trump's displacement plan despite destruction: 'This is our land'

July 9, 2025 *timesofisrael.com* reported: "Whenever Mansour Abu Al-Khaier stares across Gaza, all the 45-year-old Palestinian man sees is death and destruction in the tiny enclave after nearly two years of war between Hamas and Israel.

But even though Palestinian lives have been shattered during the course of Israeli airstrikes and heavy bombardment, Al-Khaier and others flatly reject US President Donald Trump's Israeli-backed plan to displace Gaza's 2.3 million population.

'This is our land. Who would we leave it to, where would we go?' asked Al-Khaier, a technician.

Trump, hosting Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu at the White House on Monday, indicated progress on a highly disputed initiative to relocate Palestinians out of the coastal enclave, citing 'great cooperation from...surrounding countries.'

Speaking to reporters at the start of a dinner between US and Israeli officials, Netanyahu said the United States and Israel were working with other countries that would give Palestinians a 'better future,' suggesting that Gazans would be able to move to neighboring nations..."

Is a 'quiet revival' really taking place? Shock new study findings suggest Christianity may be in retreat

July 8, 2025 *chritiantoday.com* reported: "Amid ongoing reports of spiritual renewal and revival across parts of the world, a major new global study paints a more sobering picture of Christianity's current trajectory.

While churches in some regions speak of growing youth movements and renewed fervor, data from a respected US research institute suggests that Christianity is experiencing one of the steepest rates of decline among the world's major religions.

According to research published last week by the Pew Research Center, Christians are now among the most likely to disaffiliate from the faith they were raised in.



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Drawing on data from 117 countries and territories, covering 92 per cent of the global population, the study found that only 83 per cent of those brought up as Christian continue to identify as such in adulthood. This retention rate is significantly lower than that of Muslims and Hindus, both of whom retain 99 per cent of their followers. Only Buddhists fare worse, with a retention rate of 78 per cent.

The study highlights the growing phenomenon of religious ‘switching’ – individuals changing their religious identity from that of their childhood – but notes that most who leave Christianity are not joining another faith. Instead, they are choosing to abandon religion altogether. Around 17 per cent of those raised Christian now identify as atheist, agnostic, or simply ‘nothing in particular’...”

Israel said to expect US backing for future strikes on Iran if it revives nuclear program

July 8, 2025 timesofisrael.com reported: “Israel anticipates the United States will permit it to launch new strikes on Iran in the event that the Islamic Republic attempts to restart its nuclear program, and Jerusalem is preparing for that possibility, a report said Monday.

Later, as US President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sat down for a dinner in the White House, both men praised the Israeli and American strikes on Iran’s nuclear program last month, saying the campaign was a success, though they acknowledged the possibility that hostilities could restart if Iran does not want to keep the peace.

Axios, citing two sources, reported before the Trump-Netanyahu meeting that Strategic Affairs Minister Ron Dermer had told officials after meetings in Washington last week that he thinks the White House would support new Israeli strikes under certain circumstances.

Those circumstances include an attempt by Tehran to rebuild its nuclear program, or to extract the existing highly enriched uranium it is believed to have stored in underground facilities that the US bombed last month...”

Germany considering buying US air defence systems for Ukraine

July 7, 2025 spacewar.com reported: “Germany was exploring the possibility of purchasing more Patriot air defence systems from the United States for Ukraine, a government spokesman said Friday, as Russia intensifies its aerial attacks. Asked to comment on reports that the government in Berlin had reached out to Washington over a deal for new anti-missile systems, government spokesman Stefan Kornelius said he could ‘confirm that more intensive discussions are indeed taking place on this’.

Chancellor Friedrich Merz had raised the issue in a telephone call with US President Donald Trump on Thursday, *Der Spiegel* magazine reported subsequently. The exchange was confirmed to *AFP* by Kornelius.

The United States, which has been Kyiv’s biggest military backer since the launch of Russia’s full-scale invasion in 2022, said Tuesday it was halting some key weapons shipments to Ukraine...”

NATO Chief Warns Xi; Putin Will Start World War III with Joint Attacks

July 7, 2025 Breitbart.com reported: “World War III will start with simultaneous invasions launched by China’s Xi Jinping and Russia’s Vladimir Putin, NATO chief Mark Rutte has warned, adding the combined force of the disruption will kick the lid off hell and push the planet to the very edge of Armageddon.

According to Rutte’s theory, Communist China would start by seeking to seize Taiwan – while ensuring the Kremlin dictator simultaneously attacks NATO neighbouring territory, amid fears Putin is eyeing the Baltic republics Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, formerly part of the USSR. Putin is currently looking to destabilize Europe all while watching the west and its allies to see how they respond.

Stressing the urgent need to re-arm and boost military budgets to see off a final battle between good and evil, Rutte told the *New York Times* of his grim future forecast: ‘Let’s not be naïve about this,’ he cautioned...”

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