

# **PRAYER LETTER**

## **SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2008**

Religious Support Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Iraqi Army Division Military Transition Teams

High Value Prayer Focus:

**Malik Al-Tunisi**

**Wanted as a facilitator and operational planner for Al Qaida in Iraq (AQI). He facilitates AQI's the foreign terrorist network in Iraq and plans attacks on civilians, government officials, and coalition forces.**

*From Defense Intelligence Agency Web Site (2006)*  
[www.dia.mil/site6\\_images/cards/index.htm](http://www.dia.mil/site6_images/cards/index.htm)

Ask God to give Malik dreams and visions that will lead him to understanding the true character and nature of God. Ask that his bondage to Satan will be broken. Ask that he will see and experience the irresistible grace of God found in God's provision for the forgiveness of his sins and that he will have the spiritual freedom to repent.



### **Prayer Requests from 2-IA AOR:**

- The small transition teams of Americans who are advising Iraqi military leaders rotate regularly. Ask God to give them smooth transitions and rapid understanding and favor with their Iraqi counterparts.
- The future of Iraq is largely up to the next generation. Ask God to inspire the children to wholeheartedly embrace values supporting peace, security, democracy, and freedom.
- Some teams experience traumatizing battlefield incidents. Ask God to grant them emotional health and smooth reintegration to their families and society when they return home.
- Bomb making requires considerable expertise so that not everyone can do it well. Ask God to stop those who are making car and roadside bombs and suicide vests in Iraq.

### **Isaiah 11:10**

<sup>10</sup> In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his place of rest will be glorious.

### **Devotional Thought on Jehovah Nissi**

Jehovah Nissi is one of the Hebrew names for God. The Hebrew word "nissi" can be translated as both "banner" and "pole." How is God a banner or pole? After defeating the Amalekites on the way to the Promised Land, "Moses built an altar and called it the LORD is my Banner" (Exodus 17:15). When the Israelites in the wilderness were dying from snakebites, Moses put a bronze snake on a pole upon which people could gaze to be healed. Jesus told Nicodemus that he was like that pole (John 3:14). When Jesus was lifted up on the cross, he became a banner. Flags and guidons have served for thousands of years. They rally people to a transcendent loyalty and identity for which they will live and die. The cross became a pole uniting people from every tribe, tongue and nation in allegiance to their deliverer. Jesus is Jehovah Nissi.