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Senior Israeli officials have stated their intention to permanently occupy a portion of Lebanese territory.

For the first time, senior Israeli officials have publicly stated their intention to permanently occupy a significant portion of southern Lebanon — up to the Litani River, nearly a tenth of Lebanon's total land area.

The human cost is already severe: over 1,000 people killed including 118 children, and more than 1.2 million displaced. Five bridges have been destroyed and homes demolished, cutting the south off from the rest of the country.

The UN has called the rhetoric "very much concerning" and warned that strikes on civilian infrastructure may amount to war crimes. For some Israeli political factions, the move reflects a longstanding "Greater Israel" ideology. For the Lebanese people living it, the ideology matters less than the reality — their homes are gone, their communities severed, and the path back is unclear.

TODAY, WE PRAY THE NEWS FOR SOUTHERN LEBANON.

- We pray for the people of southern Lebanon — the families displaced, the communities cut off, the elderly and children sheltering in overcrowded sites.
- We pray for the international community, that the frameworks of international law built to protect civilians and sovereign nations would be upheld with courage and consistency.
- We pray for a just and lasting peace in the region — not simply the absence of war, but the presence of something better.