

## Day 92: Jerusalem during “Al-Aqsa Flood” Operation

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On the 92nd day of “Al-Aqsa Flood Operation”, the occupation authorities continue to impose their siege on Al-Aqsa Mosque, and the raids on towns and neighborhoods of the city of Jerusalem continued.

The Wadi Hilweh Information Center – Jerusalem explained that the occupation authorities continue to impose restrictions on the entry of worshipers into Al-Aqsa Mosque, and continue to station themselves at all of its gates and place iron barriers over them.

The center added that the police stationed at the gates of Al-Aqsa stop all those arriving there, check their identities, and ask questions, most notably “place of residence, reason for coming to the place, how he/she arrived (with a group of worshipers, or individually)”, and after that, it is their decision whether entry into Al-Aqsa will be prohibited or allowed.

The Center added that thousands of worshipers flocked to Al-Aqsa during the five prayers on Saturday, especially the Noon prayer, and the center met with hundreds of people from the Palestinian 1948 lands who were able to reach Al-Aqsa.

One of the worshipers from the city of Taybeh said: “Entering Al-Aqsa is not an easy thing, but we must travel to it constantly and not leave it. During the war, I insisted on arriving at Al-Aqsa to pray. I was prevented from one gate, so I tried through the other gates until I could enter it, and if I was prevented and forcibly removed, I would pray at the nearest point to Al-Aqsa, even if I was alone.”

He added: “I am 45 years old, and I have been searched and prevented from entering Al-Aqsa several times, and each time I try from several gates. The restrictions and procedures are subject to the mood of the policeman at the gate of Al-Aqsa.”

He pointed out that young men are denied entry to Al-Aqsa, despite repeated attempts throughout the week, especially on Fridays.

A woman from the city of Jerusalem said: “Since the war, today and last week, I was able to enter Al-Aqsa. The procedures for inspection and identity checks are the same, and the

attempts to prevent and empty Al-Aqsa do not stop, and the people of the city must not leave it alone.”

The forces also continue to be present at the gates and roads of the Old City of Jerusalem, stopping young men and subjecting them to inspection.

The raids on towns and neighborhoods in the city of Jerusalem continued, as forces stormed the town of Silwan in the evening hours and arrested a young man after stopping him on Al-Ain Street.

The occupation authorities also continue to set up a checkpoint at the entrance to Al-Jdaira in the village of Jabal Al-Mukabber, and storm the neighborhood and roam its alleys.