

# This Week's Developments

February 5 - 11, 2023

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# Putin 'is playing for time' and plans to 'bomb his way to negotiating table', European spy agency warns

Sky News, February 8, 2023



## EVENT

Russia will not run out of weapons or troops for its war "any time soon" and Vladimir Putin thinks he can "bomb" Ukraine to the negotiating table, a European spy agency has warned. The Estonian Foreign Intelligence Service (EFIS) - the Estonian equivalent of the UK's MI6 - also said that a Russian victory in Ukraine would increase the probability of an armed conflict between Moscow and the NATO alliance. Ukraine is not a member of NATO. Kaupo Rosin, the agency's new director general, said in a foreword to an annual report on international security published on Wednesday that the **Russian president's goal in Ukraine has not changed despite setbacks over the past 12 months**, which thwarted his plan for a quick coup. "For now, there is still enough fuel to keep the war machine going," he wrote. "Russia will not run out of cannon fodder, Soviet-era armaments or propaganda-induced imperialism any time soon."

## COMMENT

Reports say that Russia is building up for a massive new offensive in the coming days / weeks. Many of the reservists called up have not yet been sent to the front line and have been in training. Experts believe that 1,800 tanks, 3,950 armoured vehicles, 810 Soviet-era multiple-rocket-launch systems and 400 fighter jets are ready for 'a new wave of attacks' in the coming days. Unlike the initial invasion on 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022, this time it will be focused almost entirely on the east of Ukraine – the Donbas region. The point is this...Russia is not some spent force but is learning from its initial mistakes and is producing armaments at an ever increasing rate to keep the war going. Putin cannot afford to back down and so has to achieve some victory. With Bible in hand we have said in the WWW for over 10 years that it is likely he will take the east of Ukraine...

## BIBLE QUOTE

Son of man, set thy face against Gog, **of the land of Magog**, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: **Eastern Ukraine was part of the Scythian kingdom (as well as much of south Russia) so it makes sense Putin will take that final piece.** (Ezekiel 38:2 RSV)

# Sunak paves the way for fighter jets to be sent to Ukraine after Zelensky visit

*The Telegraph, February 9, 2023*



## EVENT

Rishi Sunak has laid the groundwork for Britain to send fighter jets to Ukraine after an impassioned plea from Volodymyr Zelensky during his surprise trip to the UK. The Prime Minister ordered the Ministry of Defence to look into how planes could be provided and announced that Ukrainian pilots would be trained in Britain. The sudden openness to fulfilling Ukraine's request for Nato-standard aircraft came on a day of extraordinary diplomacy. Mr Zelensky, who was embraced by Mr Sunak on the tarmac of Stansted Airport, was already flying to Britain in an RAF plane by the time news broke of the visit, which had been planned in secret for months. Addressing MPs and peers in Westminster Hall, Mr Zelensky said: "I appeal to you and the world with simple and yet most important words: combat aircraft for Ukraine. Wings for freedom." In the afternoon, Mr Zelensky met the King at Buckingham Palace and was told "we are all worried about you and thinking of your nation" by the monarch. The call for jets was swiftly backed by Boris Johnson, the former prime minister.

## COMMENT

This week it was the turn of Britain to have a surprise visit from president Zelensky of Ukraine. Only weeks ago he was in America addressing the US population and thanking them for their support. The UK was also thanked and once again Zelensky also asked for more. More weapons, more missiles, more tanks and even fighter jets. The UK prime minister did not rule out sending fighter jets to Ukraine. Following the visit Rishi Sunak is poised to send even longer-range missiles to Ukraine. Some have a range of 250 miles. No 10 confirmed an offer had been made to Ukraine to supply these. The Bible says the king of the south (US/UK) will push (militarily provoke) Gog...the push is underway...

## BIBLE QUOTE

40 And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.

*(Daniel 11:40)*

# Russia's art raids in Ukraine are the biggest treasure loots since Nazis

The Times, February 5, 2023



## EVENT

The Scythians were nomadic people, famed for their love of horses and military adventure. They roamed the grasslands of what is now Russia and Ukraine between the 7th and 3rd century BC, leaving behind exquisitely decorated bridles, weaponry and ornaments crafted in **gold**. Many of these **treasures**, an important part of Ukraine's cultural heritage, made **easy pickings** for invading Russian troops. On top of murder, rape and robbery, they have **pillaged** national antiquities and artworks in the biggest case of cultural **plundering** since the Second World War. Leaving behind a trail of smashed glass and empty display cases, the soldiers have **carried away** priceless Scythian ornaments, as well as ancient sculptures, paintings, icons and busts worth millions of pounds. **Raids** on about 30 museums around the country have been led by Russian curators in what experts regard as a systematic effort to seize Ukraine's cultural treasures. Robert Service, a British historian, described the **looting** as being "**Russian state-sponsored**" and added: "This is different from soldiers **stealing** things."

## COMMENT

According to Josephus (ancient historian) the Scythians are the same people as the Magogites. Gog we are told is "of the land of Magog." Notice that this article says the Scythians roamed the grasslands of Russia and Ukraine. We have seen that it is eastern Ukraine especially that was part of the Scythian territory. Interestingly it is the eastern half of Ukraine that mainly speak Russian and this is the part Putin wants. The other point of interest is that Putin is authorising the looting of Ukraine. The Bible says that Gog (Putin) will take a "spoil" or loot from Israel. It also says in Daniel 11 that he will also take treasures of gold from Egypt. They are the same phrases used in this article.

## BIBLE QUOTE

He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. But **he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt:** and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps.

(Daniel 11:42-43)

# ***Sudan: All roads lead to Khartoum as Russia, Israel and West vie in game of thrones***

*Middle East Eye, February 9, 2023*



## **EVENT**

At the end of last week, an Israeli delegation that included Foreign Minister Eli Cohen met Sudan's ruling General Abdel Fattah al-Burhan as part of what the Israelis called a "historic diplomatic visit" intended to pave the way for the signing of a peace agreement later in the year. On Wednesday, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov arrived in the Sudanese capital as part of a tour that includes Iraq, Mali and Mauritania. Lavrov held separate meetings on Thursday with Burhan, leader of the Sudanese Armed Forces, and his deputy, Rapid Support Forces (RSF) commander Mohamed Hamdan Daglo, commonly known as Hemeti. At a press conference in Khartoum **on Thursday, Lavrov said that the Russian mercenary Wagner Group was fighting terrorism in Central African Republic, that Russian military bases would be established on Sudan's Red Sea coast and that western powers were putting pressure on African governments to denounce Russia.** At the same time, envoys from the United States, France, Norway, the UK, Germany and the European Union met on Wednesday with local officials in order to push forward the framework deal signed between the Sudanese military and a coalition of major civilian actors in December 2022.

## **COMMENT**

This week Israel announced that Sudan would sign a full peace agreement with Israel sometime during 2023. However, it is also clear that Russia is trying to cement itself further in Sudan by setting up military bases there. So why are we interested in Sudan? Russia's alignment to Sudan is foretold in Ezekiel 38. The AV translates a place called Cush in the Hebrew as Ethiopia. Cush isn't really Ethiopia. Cush at the time of Ezekiel corresponds almost exactly to Sudan. Or to be even more accurate North Sudan. North Sudan is mainly Islamic. Sudan will ultimately align to Russia and join forces with them.

## **BIBLE QUOTE**

Persia, **Cush[c]** and Put will be with them, all with shields and helmets, 6 also Gomer with all its troops, and Beth Togarmah from the far north with all its troops—the many nations with you. **[c] Cush is ancient Kush the area we now know as Sudan or North Sudan. The very nation where the coup has taken place this week – Putin may act to protect his interests.** (Ezekiel 38:5 NIV)



# Turkey earthquakes among deadliest in recent times

USA Today, February 9, 2023



## EVENT

The powerful earthquakes that shook Turkey and Syria this week are among the most devastating and deadliest quakes in recent history. The death toll continued to climb to more than 22,000 across the two countries as of Friday's numbers, making the quakes the deadliest seen worldwide in more than a decade. This week's deaths in Turkey and Syria surpassed Japan's Fukushima disaster of 2011, when a magnitude 9.0 earthquake triggered a tsunami and killed more than 18,400 people. On Monday, a magnitude 7.8 quake struck at 4:17 a.m. local time in the southern Turkish province of Kahramanmaras, U.S. Geological Survey said. Hours later, a 7.5 magnitude quake hit more than 60 miles away. Scores of violent aftershocks followed both quakes and continued into Tuesday. Thousands of buildings were toppled. In addition to the climbing death toll, tens of thousands of injuries have been reported. Many are still trapped under the rubble. "We are facing one of the biggest disasters not only of the history of the Turkish Republic but also of ... the world," Turkish President Erdogan said Tuesday.

## COMMENT

Earthquakes have been used distinctively by God to highlight some of the most important events of the Bible. Think of the flood when the fountains of the great deep were "broken up". Or the earthquake when Moses received the 10 commandments. Or when Korah and all his men were swallowed up by the earth. Or the earthquake when Christ was crucified. The three main purposes for biblical earthquakes are judgment, deliverance, and communication. We know a great earthquake is coming. A time when every wall will fall to the ground. It will an earthquake the like of which has not been seen before. God controls all things and earthquakes form part of his plan and purpose

## BIBLE QUOTE

And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

(Revelation 16:17-18)

# Turkey earthquake failures leave Erdogan looking vulnerable

BBC, February 11, 2023



## EVENT

Turkey's most devastating earthquake since 1939 has raised big questions about whether such a large-scale tragedy could have been avoided and whether President Erdogan's government could have done more to save lives. With elections on the horizon, his future is on the line after 20 years in power and his pleas for national unity have gone unheeded. Six opposition parties are poised to announce a unified candidate in a bid to bring down the president. The economy has been in freefall with a 57% inflation rate leading to a sky-high cost of living. Turkey has more experience of earthquakes than almost any other country but the founder of the main volunteer rescue group believes this time, politics got in the way. After the last major earthquake in August 1999, it was the armed forces who led the operation but the Erdogan government has sought to curb their power in Turkish society. The potential rescue effort was now far bigger than in 1999, Mr Mahruki said, but with the military left out of the planning it had to wait for an order from the government. Urban planners have complained that rules have not been observed in earthquake zones and highlight a 2018 government amnesty that meant violations of the building code could be swept away with a fine, and left some six million buildings unchanged. The head of the chamber of civil engineers said the amnesty would turn Turkish cities into graveyards.

## COMMENT

Turkey is headed for general elections on May 14, 2023. This, in view of the strategic position it occupies geographically, and politically being the country that hosts the former capital of the 4<sup>th</sup> Beast Dominion, and with Finland's request to join NATO at stake. Erdogan had been holding a relatively strong position in the polls, but this earthquake could not have come at a worse time for him politically. There are reportedly six opposition parties looking at forming a coalition and putting forth a presidential contender. Also there might be a Kurdish contender that could become "kingmaker" in the event of a tie.

## BIBLE QUOTE

...the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men. Dan 4:17 ... the king of the north shall come against him [i.e., Turkey aka Constantinople aka the "4<sup>th</sup> beast dominion"] like a whirlwind ...and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. Dan 11:14

# Gender-neutral God to be considered by Church of England

Daily Telegraph, February 7, 2023



## EVENT

For decades, the gender of God has prompted debate within the Church, with many calling for male pronouns He and Him, as well as reference to Our Father, to be scrapped in favour of either gender neutral or female alternatives. Now, in what would mark a departure from centuries of tradition, bishops are to launch a project “on gendered language” referencing God in church services later this year. The move has been criticised by conservatives, who have warned that “male and female imagery is not interchangeable”. However, liberal Christians have welcomed it, claiming that “a theological misreading of God as exclusively male is a driver of much continuing discrimination and sexism against women”. Details of the plans emerged in a written question to the Liturgical Commission, which prepares and promotes forms of service and religious worship in the Church, at General Synod, the Church’s lawmaking body, which is sitting this week.

## COMMENT

The pronouns and verbs used in the Bible to describe God are always masculine, as are most of the nouns and images (Lord, King, Redeemer, Father, husband). The simple reason why we should not speak of God as female (i.e., “our Mother”) is that this is not the way God has chosen to reveal himself to his creation. Jesus said “Our Father who are in heaven.” Jesus has a father (God) and a mother (Mary). How could it make sense for God to be a female? Jesus has one father and one mother. Sadly, we now live in a world where someone can declare themselves to be a woman when they are a man and vica versa. This distortion of what God has made is now being applied to God himself.

## BIBLE QUOTE

I thank thee, O **Father**, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, **Father**; for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered to me of my **Father**: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the **Father**; and who the **Father** is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal him. *(Luke 10:21-22)*



## ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

**DebkaFile Review** (world events through the bi-focals of Israeli military intelligence)      **TV-7 Israel News**      **Watchman Newscast**

2023-02-11 [Turkey - Devastating quakes leave Erdogan vulnerable, looking to extend his rule into third decade](#) - 9.54 min - YouTube

2023-02-10 [Turkey earthquake failures leave Erdogan looking vulnerable](#) - BBC News

2023-02-09 [Nord stream bombing masterminded by US- Report](#) - Gravitas - 6.02 min - YouTube

2023-02-09 [Israel's Syria DILEMMA- Stop Iran But ANGER Russia](#) - Watchman Newscast - 9.22 min - YouTube

2023-02-09 [Israel ROCKED by Another Jerusalem Terror Attack; WARNS Iran Over Syria](#) - Watchman - 11.51 min - YouTube

2023-02-08 [Iran unveils first-of-its-kind underground Airbase](#) - Gravitas - 5.37 min - YouTube

2023-02-07 [Explainer- Why was the Turkey-Syria earthquake so bad-](#) - Reuters

2023-02-04 [Why Israel carrying out Drone strikes attack on Iran - How are they doing it \(route\)](#) - Geopolitics - 13.55 min - YouTube

2023-02-03 [US warns Turkiye to stop exports to Russia, says 'it will empower Ukraine's war efforts'](#) - WION - 1.26 min - YouTube

2023-02-01 [Israel Airstrikes Target Hamas; U.S. Forces SEIZE Massive Iran Weapons Shipment](#) - Watchman - 11.20 min - YouTube

2023-01-27 [Israel ON EDGE as Jerusalem Synagogue Targeted in DEADLY Terror Attack](#) - Watchman Newscast - 9.01 min - YouTube

2023-01-26 [Erdogan's political foes strive to join forces ahead of Turkey's election in May](#) - Al Arabiya English

2023-01-26 [Turkey's Erdogan THREATENS Greece & BLOCKS Sweden; Will NATO Expel Turkey-](#) - Watchman - 11.57 min - YouTube

2023-01-25 [Netanyahu SURPRISE Visit to Jordan, Talks Temple Mount with King Abdullah](#) - Watchman - 9.55 min - YouTube

2023-01-24 [Israel & U.S. Launch MASSIVE Joint Military Drill; WARNING to Iran & China-](#) - Watchman - 10.15 min - YouTube

2023-01-21 [It's official, NATO is split on Ukraine](#) - Gravitas - 7.58 min - YouTube

2023-01-20 [US hopes to convince Turkey to lift objections for NATO expansion](#) - English News - WION - 10.28 min - YouTube

2023-01-20 [Russia-Ukraine War- US, Germany tries to resolve differences over tanks for Ukraine](#) - WION - 5.56 min - YouTube

2023-01-19 [Israel formally requests 25 F-15 EX from the US](#) - Breaking Defense

[Animated Map - Indo-European migrations](#) - File-Indo-European migrations.gif - Wikipedia

# NATO PRESENCE IN EASTERN EUROPE



SOURCE: NATO

- Frankish Territory in 481
- Conquests of Clovis 481-511
- Conquests 531-614
- Conquests 714-768
- Conquests of Charlemagne 768-814
- Dependent territories
- Peoples tributary to Charlemagne
- Kingdom of Siagrius in 486
- Visigothic kingdom of Toulouse in 507
- Boundaries of the empire in 814



- Carolingian Empire 481-814





# 2) Gog (Russia) advances on Turkey, Egypt \*



"YOUNG LIONS"  
(USA, CANADA, ETC)

"LION"  
TARSHISH  
UK

GERMANY  
(LAND OF  
MAGOG)

GOMER  
European Economic Community

Gibraltar

LIBYA

TURKEY  
(Togarmah)

IRAQ/IRAN  
(Persia)

DEDAN  
SHEBA

INDIA

ETHIOPIA

AUSTRALIA

RUSSIA ("CHIEF PRINCE" = "PRINCE OF ROSH")

TOBOLSK (Tubal)

MOSCOW (Meshech)

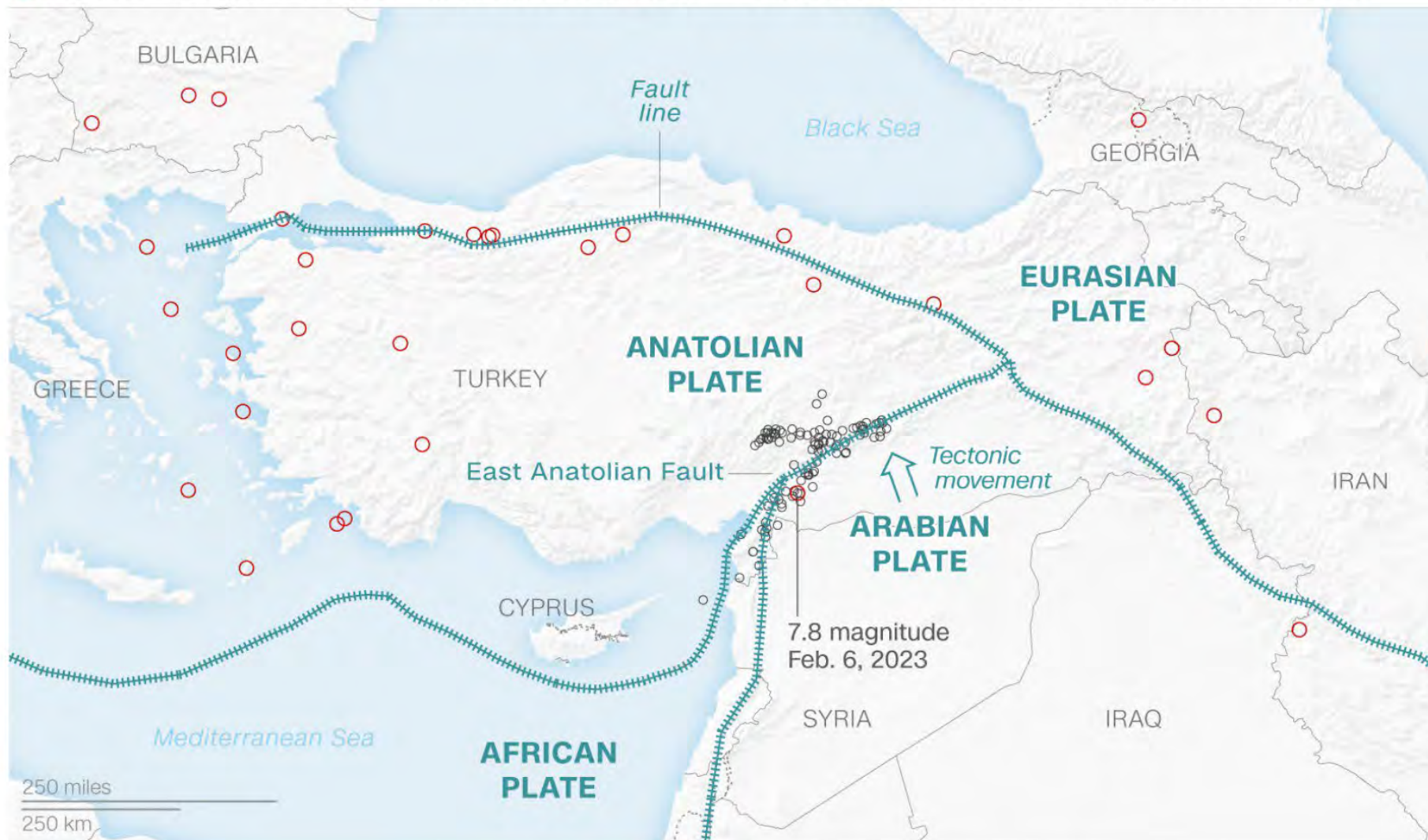
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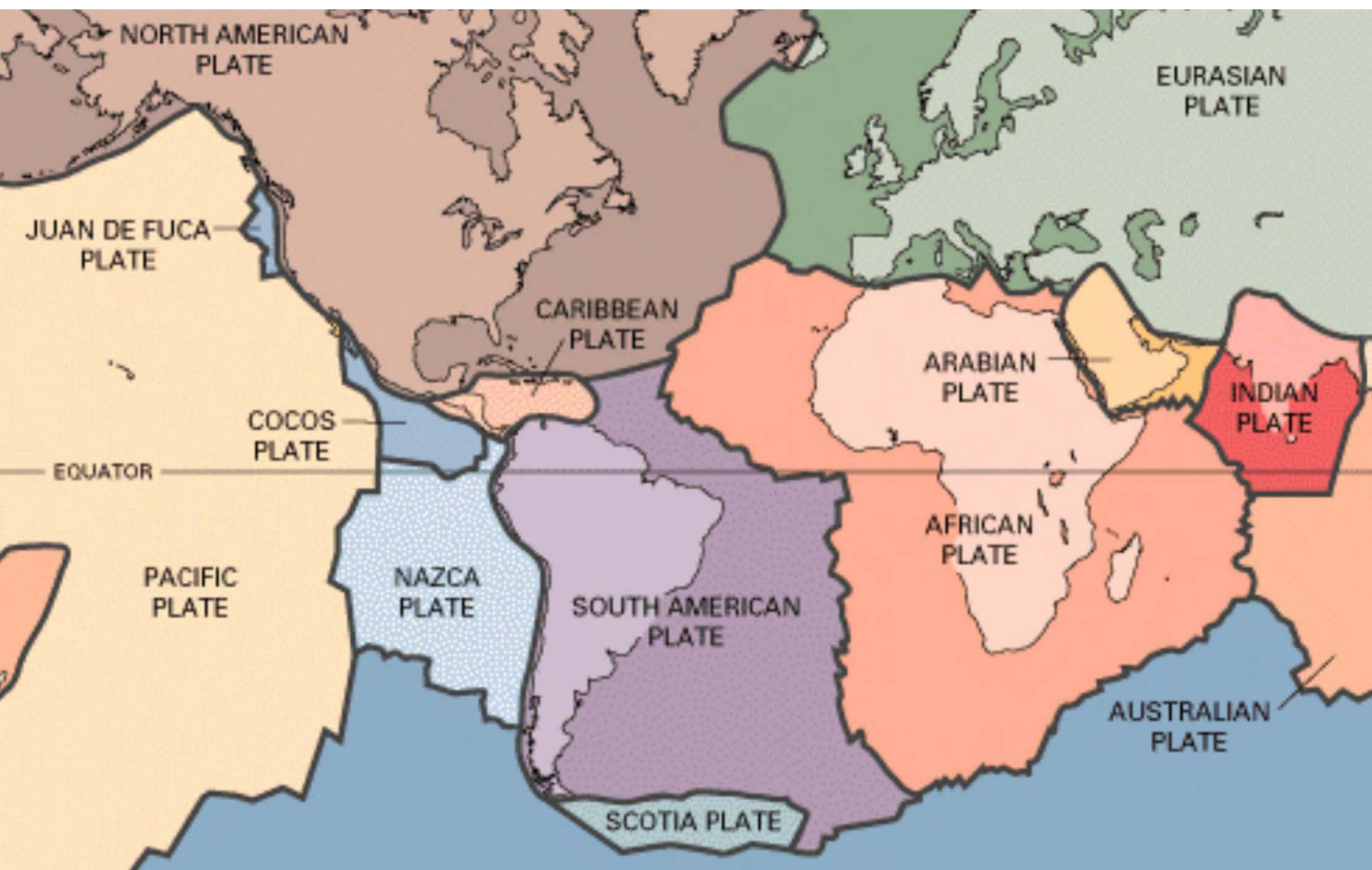


## Why Turkey suffers so many earthquakes

Turkey is located at the intersection of four tectonic plates and that makes it an earthquake-prone country. The Arabian plate is moving an estimated 20mm per year towards the Anatolian plate, and this is what caused this week's earthquake along the East Anatolian fault line in the south of the country. A relatively shallow depth contributed to the intensity of the shaking.

○ Major earthquakes since 1900 – magnitude 7 and above    ○ Aftershocks to Monday's 7.8 magnitude earthquake\*









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**Earthquakes**

- Past Hour
- Past Day
- Past Week