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Dear brothers and sisters in Messiah,

Shalom! שלום!

"Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of Jehovah unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith Jehovah of hosts." Zechariah 4:6

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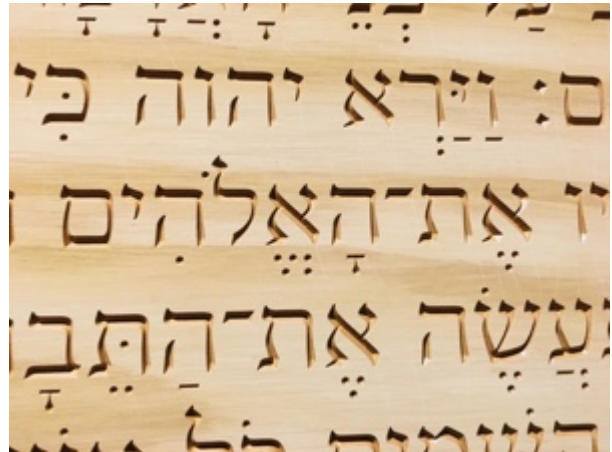
This newsletter is being sent from Pine Valley Bible Camp in California, where Irene and I have been blessed to be part of for the past twenty five years now. The theme this year is, COME TO ME, taken from the message which God gave Israel, through Isaiah the prophet. **Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live.** Isaiah 55:3. We are enjoying the fellowship and time of spiritual refreshment with dear ones in Christ. We are thankful for all those who have given of their time and energy to make this camp possible. Our prayer is that the children and young people will be drawn closer to the Lord and any who are unsaved, will come to the saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus, Yeshua the Messiah.

In the will of the Lord, following camp, Irene and I will be visiting some of the local assemblies in southern California for a time of ministry. The Lord has also allowed for me to be interviewed by the AlKarma TV station. AlKarma is a satellite channel that broadcasts 24/7 from satellites that cover North and South America, the Middle East, North Africa, Australia and Europe, reaching out to millions of Muslims. Alkarma TV can also be watched online on personal computers, smartphones, and IPTV Systems. Lord willing, the interview will take place on Friday, July the 26th, at 12:00 noon, California, Pacific time zone. The live interview can also be seen in Ontario, Canada, at 3:00 p.m., Eastern time zone. If you are able to watch the interview live, please use

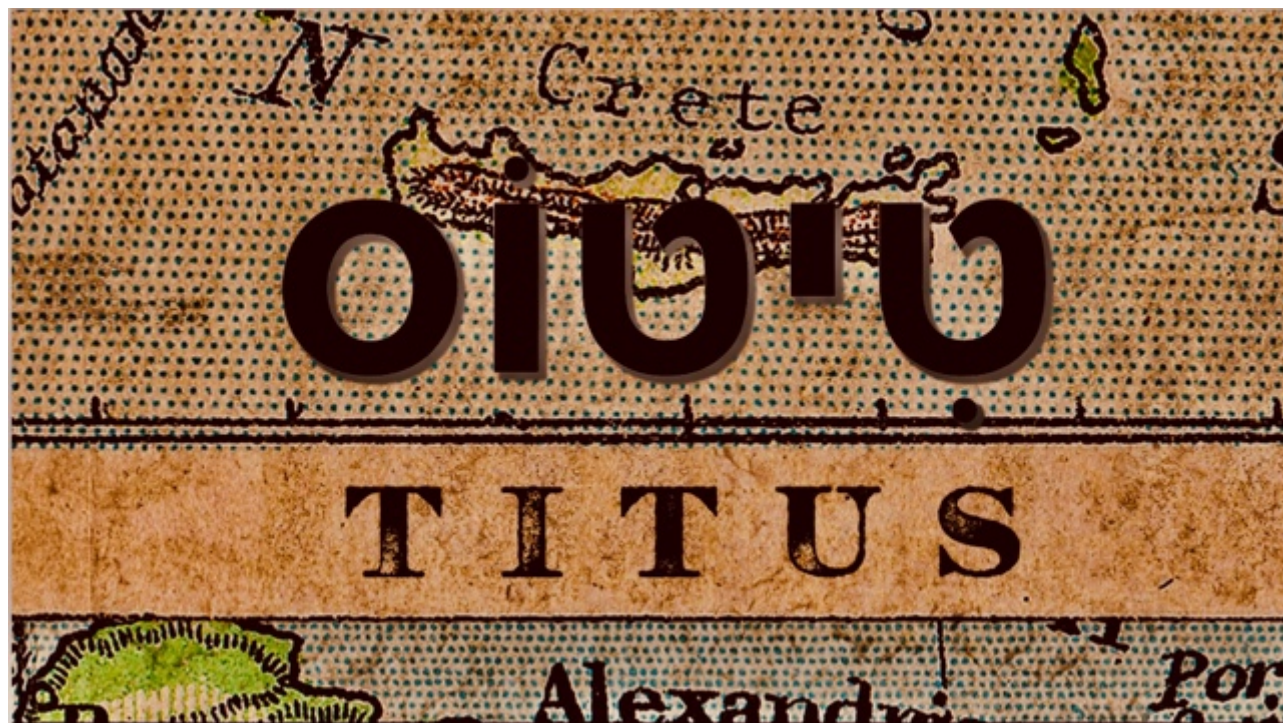


this link, <http://www.alkarmatv.com/en/home>, then press the button saying, watch AlKarma, then, press North America. The name of the program which is geared to speak to the Muslim population is called, - **I am not an infidel** -, in Hebrew it is called, - אֲנִי לֹא כּוֹפֵר -, the purpose of the program is to reach out to the Muslim world with the simple message of the gospel of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah. There will be two main subjects in the interview, the first is, how our Jewish people interpret the prophecy which Isaiah wrote in chapter 53, and how do I, as a Jewish believer in Yeshua the Messiah understand this chapter. The second subject will be, what makes some of our Jewish people accept Yeshua as their Messiah while others deny Yeshua / Jesus and His Messianic title. We value your prayers for this interview, that it may touch the hearts of those who are still without the knowledge of Salvation.

We look forward to visiting some family while we are here, as well as some of the local Jewish believers in the Lord Yeshua the Messiah, with whom we share the same concern for our unsaved family members. We have confidence in the Lord, He is still working in hearts today as He did in days of old. God is able to cause the hearts of our families to be touched by His love. God spoke to Israel through Jeremiah the prophet saying, **Is not my word like as a fire, saith the LORD, and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces.** Jeremiah 23:2



Prior to leaving for California, we received a call from dear sister Joyce, an elderly sister from San Fransisco. We have shared with you in the past about Joyce and how when she is unable to sleep at night, she turns on the christian radio station KDIA. Joyce is thankful to be able to listen to our Holy Scriptures and Israel program as well as to others. During our conversation Joyce shared with me her love for God and for the Lord Jesus / Yeshua the Messiah, as well as her love for the Jewish people. From a young age, Joyce loved to attend meetings where the word of God was being preached, and was involved in intercessory prayers for the needs of those who served the Lord Jesus in the mission field. Now elderly, sister Joyce is limited and is in need of assistance from others. It was so good to talk with sister Joyce, and I was encouraged by our conversation to continue on in the ministry among our Jewish people, who need to understand who Yeshua / Jesus is. Joyce asked to be remembered in our prayers, so please remember sister Joyce before the throne of grace. **Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.** Hebrews 4:16.



In our weekly outreach ministry meetings of the Holy Scriptures and Israel we have finished the study of the book of Malachi and have begun the study of the book of Titus. The apostle Shaul / Paul wrote this letter to Titus, a younger brother, who Paul left on the island of Crete, for the purpose of setting things in order. **For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee.** Titus 1:5. Those who attended the meeting last Saturday were encouraged by these words, **for the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.** Titus 2:11. It was refreshing to hear the discussions following the meeting, how thankful we ought to be that God the Son, in the person of Yeshua / Jesus our Messiah, came in order to provide salvation for us.

Almost every week, the Lord through His grace, brings into our midst some new individuals, believers and unbelievers, Jewish and non Jewish. It is fascinating to observe how the Lord is working in hearts, and we are encouraged to simply continue presenting the word of the LORD to those who attend our meetings. Just as God encouraged Joshua in Joshua 1:8a, **This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein.** We read in II Timothy 2:15, **Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.** What an encouragement these words were for both Joshua and Timothy as they are for us today.

Over the last months we have been updating the various international websites on which the Holy Scriptures and Israel Bible teaching programs are aired. The reports that we receive from listeners are very encouraging, for which we thank the Lord. In addition to this, we are in the midst of preparing for our upcoming Israel the Land of the Bible Tour, which is scheduled in the will of the Lord, for October, 29th to November 7th, 2019. We are blessed to be able to bring believers to Israel and to teach the scriptures while visiting the various sites in the land of Israel. Should the Lord lay on your heart to join us for such a journey, please feel free to call or e-mail us and we will gladly respond. You may also go to our Holy Scriptures and Israel website for additional information. <http://www.holyscripturesandisrael.com/tours>

We wish to express our thanks to you, dear brothers and sisters, for your prayers and for your



support of us and the ministry among our Jewish people. We remember the words of our Lord Jesus the Messiah who said to His disciples, **I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.**

Please remember in prayer:

- The Holy Scriptures and Israel radio ministry.
- Our weekly Bible classes in Toronto.
- Sister Joyce in San Francisco.
- The preparation for the Israel trip.
- **Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.** Psalm 122:6

"For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth."
Isaiah 62:1

God bless you.

In Messiah,

G. Leon & Irene



Please pray for Israel to open their hearts and see Yeshua our Messiah who said, "I am the light of the world." John 8:12

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