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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

זְכַרְיָה 4:6 "וַיַּעַן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר יְהוָה אֶל־זְרֻבָּבֶל לֵאמֹר לֹא בְחֵיל וְלֹא בִכֹּחַ כִּי אִם־בְּרוּחִי אָמַר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

We pray, dear brothers and sisters, that you are doing well these days, bearing in mind that each of us must be thankful for the many mercies of the Lord and for the great salvation which He has provided for us. David, the king of Israel, had a right attitude towards God, in that he was moved by the way God dealt with him. We read in 2 Samuel 7:18; **Then King David went in and sat before the LORD; and he said: Who am I, O Lord GOD, and what is my house, that You have brought me this far.**

At our last Shabbat / Saturday meeting, we were occupied with the topic of the Feast of Shavuot - חַג שְׂבֻעוֹת, which falls on the 6th day of the Hebrew month of Sivan, this year falling on May the 17th, 2021. The Feast of Shavuot is known as the Feast of Weeks in English, and in Greek it is the Feast of Pentecost. We learned, that while for our Jewish people, the Feast of Shavuot points to the time of the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai, and is celebrated by the reading of the Law of God all through the night, for those who are believers in Jesus the Messiah, Shavuot - שְׂבֻעוֹת, points to the coming of the Holy Spirit to indwell and unite believers, bringing about the birth of the Assembly, the Ekklesia, that is the Church. We were encouraged to be reminded that the Feast of Weeks points to this present church age, an era in which God will bring Jewish and Gentile believers in the Messiah, to be united together in one body, forming the heavenly company called the Church.

The Feasts of the LORD: - מועדי יהוה: - Leviticus 23

	Feast's Name	Scripture	Feast's Date	Meaning	Status
Feast #1	Pesach - חג פסח Passover	Leviticus 23:5	Hebrew month. 14 th day of Nisan March/April	Redemption: The Death of Yeshua the Messiah.	Fulfilled 1 Corinthians 5:7
Feast #2	Matzot – חג המצות Unleavened Bread	Leviticus 23:6-8	Hebrew month. 15 th day of Nisan March/April	Sanctification: The Sinless life of Yeshua the Messiah.	Fulfilled 1 Corinthians 5:8
Feast #3	Katseir – חג הקציר First Fruits	Leviticus 23:9-14	Hebrew month. 16 th day of Nisan March/April	Resurrection: The Resurrection of Yeshua the Messiah.	Fulfilled 1 Corinthians 15:20
Feast #4	Shavuot – חג השבועות Weeks - Pentecost	Leviticus 23:15-21	Hebrew month. 6 th day of Sivan May/June	Origination: The New Covenant begins. The descending Holy Spirit.	Fulfilled Acts 2:1-4
Leviticus 23:22, represent the present-day age of the ekklesia, the Assembly of called out ones of both Jews and Gentiles alike, all true believers in the rejected Lord, Jesus the Messiah, who lived, died and rose again some 2000 years ago, during His first coming, who said in Mathew 16:18b, I will build my Assembly. Yeshua the Messiah will come again a second time, to restore Israel and the world to Himself. Daniel 7:13, Revelation 1:7. Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also, which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.					
Feast #5	Truah - יום תרועה Rosh Ha-Shanah Trumpets	Leviticus 23:23-25	Hebrew month. 1 st day of Tishrey Sept/October	Restoration: Yeshua the Messiah gather Israel, the church raptured.	To be fulfilled Matthew 24:31 1Thessalonians 5:13-18
Feast #6	Kipurim - יום הכפרים Atonement	Leviticus 23:26-32	Hebrew month. 10 th day of Tishrey Sept/October	Regeneration: Israel's national Salvation by faith in Yeshua the Messiah	To be fulfilled Zechariah 12:10 Revelation 1:7
Feast #7	Sukkot - חג הסוכות Tabernacles	Leviticus 23:33-43	Hebrew month. 15 th day of Tishrey Sept/October	Culmination: Israel in Messiah Kingdom, The 1000 years kingdom age	To be fulfilled Zechariah 14 Revelation 20

Interestingly, during the Feast of Weeks, God commanded Israel to present before Him, two wave loaves which were to be baked with leaven, in Scripture, leaven represents evil and sin. The two loaves with leaven represent the two groups, Jews and Gentiles, sinners by nature, who are forgiven, and together they form this new heavenly entity called the Church. In Leviticus 23:16b-17, we read; **And ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD. Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals, they shall be of fine flour, they shall be taken with leaven, they are the first-fruits unto the LORD.**

While we await the restoration of Israel, which God has promised, we have the privilege to share the message of the gospel, and to minister the Word of God to the saints. Topics from a Hebrew Messianic perspective such as: [The Five Sacrifices of the LORD](#), [The Seven Feasts of the LORD](#), [The Seven Churches of Revelation](#), [The Parables of Jesus the Messiah](#), and the [Road to Salvation](#), are available to those who wish to watch and listen through our Holy Scriptures and Israel [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#) channels. With the help of the Lord, we are using these media avenues to share the gospel message. We appreciate your continued prayers for us and for those whom we are reaching.

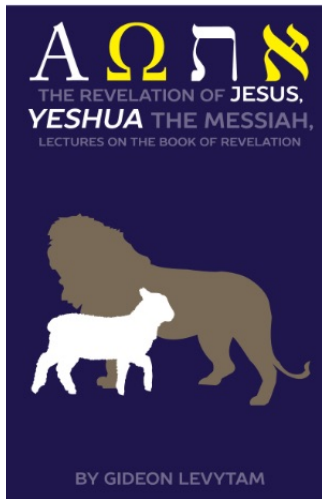


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In the will of the Lord, brethren from Poland will begin to work on the translation of some of our YouTube Bible teachings into the Polish language. This will be for the benefit of Polish Jews who may be willing to listen to the Word of the Lord, and to the message of the gospel, presented from a Hebrew Messianic prospective. We would value your prayers for this endeavour, it is important for our people to understand who the person of *Yeshua* / Jesus truly is. We were also thankful to hear from a sister in New Delhi, India who wrote to us saying, please receive the good news that I have been able to join you on Zoom, the reception quality was excellent. Of late, we have been blessed with having believers from many parts of the globe, joining us for our weekly Zoom meetings.

While there is so much to be thankful for, our prayers go out to the people of Israel, who once again, are front page news, with rockets being steadily shot from Gaza by those who wish for the annihilation of Israel. How relevant for today is the prayer of the psalmist, who called upon God, asking for His help. He gives a long list of nations who seek the destruction of Israel and writes: **They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.** Psalm 83:4. One wonders, how long before the return of the Lord *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah, who will come back to take His rightful place in this sin-sick world.

Thankfully, the promises of God, both for the church and for Israel, will surely come to pass. We read in Psalm 121:4; **Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.** We



pray that the Lord Jesus will touch the lives of many, both in Israel, and in the surrounding Arab nations, and bring many to turn to Him by faith, today, while it is still the day of grace. Only God can bring an end to this sad situation.

We thank God, for those of you who study together with us, over Zoom, the book of Revelation, we are now getting to the last two chapters. Some of you have requested information on acquiring a copy of the lectures on the book of Revelation, you can do so by going to our [website](http://www.holyscripturesandisrael.com). Should you have any problems, please feel free to contact us by e-mail and we will be most happy to help. gideon@holyscripturesandisrael.com

Dear brothers and sisters, we appreciate the kind words of encouragement which we receive from you, and we do appreciate your prayers and practical support of us in this ministry. They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. Psalm 126:5.

Please pray for:

- The end of the present conflict in Middle East.
- The salvation of many in Israel and the surrounding nations.
- The radio, website, and Zoom bible teachings.
- The protection of our family in Israel.
- **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,

Gideon & 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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