



November 2021

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 "וַיֹּעַן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר יְהוָה אֶל-זְרֻבְבָּל לֵאמֹר לֹא בְחֵיל וְלֹא בִקְצָה כִּי אִם-בְּרוּחִי אָמַר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

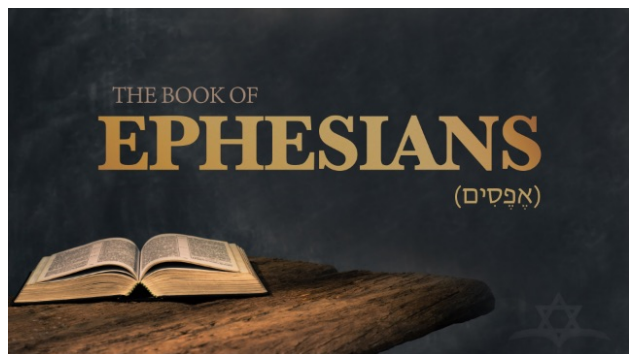
We trust this newsletter finds you well. We thank God for His sustaining grace and the measure of good health that He allows us. In general by the grace of God we both are doing fine and for this we praise our Redeemer. As time passes by we are all getting older and in various ways we experience the weakening of our failing bodies. This causes us to lean on the Lord, and prayerfully commit all things into His care.

In December I have an appointment with my cardiologist for my annual check up, it's now more than four years since my aortic valve replacement. We trust that valve is holding up well and not deteriorating. We appreciate your continued prayers. One must be thankful for each day that the Lord sustains us here, and with His help, to use our time wisely, serving our Lord *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah. In Psalm 31:15a, we can see the attitude of David the king of Israel in his prayer to God, when he said, **My Times are in Thy hand**. David realized that God knew every situation in his life and that God loved him and cared for his every need. How good it is for us to learn from David. May the Lord help all of us to realize that God cares for His own, and that our times are in the hands of our Lord Jesus the Messiah. **Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.** 1 Peter 5:7.

We learned that the health of our aunt Mazal from Jerusalem is not the best, which is to be expected, as soon she will be 100 years old. We are so happy that along with her care-giver, she is able to attend our weekly zoom Bible classes. Although her English is limited, we trust that the Lord can use these classes to bring her to a saving knowledge of her Messiah. Our hope and prayer is that we would be able to see her in person, along with the rest of our family in Israel. Lord willing, we are scheduled for a Bible tour to Israel in 2022, should no further restrictions be implemented. We trust will be able to see our family next year during our proposed tour to Israel.

In light of the political situation around the world, especially in Israel, we see how we are heading to the promised return of the Lord Jesus the Messiah. Along with it every believer in Jesus, our prayer is that our families in Israel and elsewhere, will come to faith in the person of Jesus the Messiah. How wonderful it will be, when God, in due time will open the eyes of each family member to see who *Yeshua* truly is. The sovereignty of God in our lives is sure. Other Jewish believers among us, in our Holy Scriptures and Israel fellowship outreach, have the same burden for their family members, praying for their salvation.

Unlike others in the professing christian world, in our Jewish circles, it is difficult to speak of Jesus the Messiah, it is not an easy subject to broach, yet, there is more openness these days, and we experience this in our ministry outreach. Just recently, I spoke to a Jewish individual over the phone, who as yet does not embrace the Lord *Yeshua*, we had a great conversation. With the help of the Lord we will continue to share and communicate the message of the gospel, initially, we go back to the beginning of the Hebrew Scriptures, the TANACH, pointing to the promises of God to His people of Israel than with the help of the Lord we present the fulfilment of these promises, found in the written word of the New Covenant. Praise God for the words of Jesus our Lord who said to the gathered people on the hills of Galilee, to listen to His gracious words, *Yeshua* said. **All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.** John 6:37. Praise God for every person who come to faith in His beloved Son.



We have finally begun to stream live our Holy Scriptures and Israel weekly Bible classes over YouTube and Facebook, as we mentioned before, these platforms are some of the avenues which we are using in order to present the message of the gospel and the teachings of the Word of God. We praise God for this door, even after the technical challenges which we experienced. Our eldest son Shalom has been assisting us in all of this, for which we are very thankful, as technical we are not. We have just recently

posted an introduction to the book of Ephesians, a result of our Holy Scriptures and Israel Friday morning Bible Class which we host each week. By the grace of God, we will continue with the study of the book of Ephesians together with our international Zoom Bible class, you may use the following link should you wish to watch the introduction. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zcv1tCjFLPI>. If any of you dear brothers and sisters wish to join us for our weekly zoom Bible classes, please e-mail your full name, phone number and e-mail address to gideon@holyscripturesandisrael and we will gladly add your name to the invitation list. We are thankful to the Lord for those who have already joined us.

It is amazing how the Lord is using these days, this pandemic, to promote the truth of His Word, and the message of the gospel. While satan does his old, evil work, God, at the same time, in the power of His Spirit works in the hearts of people. We are currently in touch with a Christian

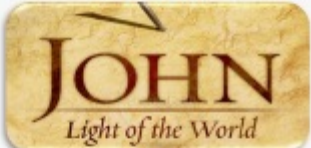
TV station in Kenya, that approached us a while ago, regarding the possibility of us having a weekly Bible teaching message on their TV station. Please pray with us for this endeavour, that we would have the mind of the Lord in all this.



Weekly Bible Teachings

לימודי תורה שבועי



Fridays 11:30 am	Fridays 7:00 pm	Saturdays 1:00 pm Shabbat
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At the end of this month, on the eve of November 28th, just after sundown, the Feast of Hanukkah, חֲנֻכָּה begins. This feast is also known as the Feast of Dedication, an eight-day feast which commemorates the miraculous deliverance of our Jewish people from the hands of Antiochus IV Epiphanes. Antiochus was a greek hellenistic king, who, along with his army desecrated the Temple in Jerusalem by placing a pagan statue of Zeus in the Temple of God, sacrificing pigs on the altar and stripped the Jerusalem Temple of its sacred vessels, including the seven branched golden Menorah. Antiochus forced the Jews to stop worshiping their God and keeping their God given Feasts and the Shabbat day. He inflicted great persecution on the Jews, but God protected His people, and delivered them from their enemies, enabling them to re-dedicate the Temple on the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Kislev, in 165 B.C. These terrible events were foretold by God to Daniel in chapter 8:9-14 of his prophecy. It is so interesting to learn, that it is to this very rededicated Temple, that our Lord *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah was brought to by His parents Miriam and Joseph, when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of Jesus. We read the story of Simon in the gospel of Luke 2:27-30. **And he came by the Spirit into the Temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law, Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation.** We have prepared a Feast of Hanukkah video which you can view [here](#).

We thank God for you dear brothers and sisters, for faithfully remembering Irene, myself, our family, and the ministry of the Holy Scriptures and Israel, in prayer. We appreciate this and we do sense the help of the Lord in all that which He has set before us. We also pray for you, that you would be encouraged daily by the Lord Jesus our Messiah. The Apostle Paul expressed this in his letters to the believers in the local assemblies in Asia Minor. To the Thessalonians believers Paul wrote, **Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.** 1Thessalonians 5:11.



The Greek word for encouragement or comfort in 1 Thessalonians, 5:11, is **parakaleo**, this word is similar to the Hebrew word, - תְּזַקְקוּ - to strengthen. Like the apostle Paul, so also Moses was charged by God to encourage Joshua and the children of Israel, to be strengthened and encouraged in the LORD, to move forward and take possession of the promised land. We read, **But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land**

which thou shalt see. Deuteronomy 3:28. To be strengthened in the Lord and to continue to follow after Him, is what each one of us needs these days. We are thankful for the kind encouraging words which we receive from some of you dear brethren, to be strong in the Lord and to continue with the ministry of the Word. **Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, un moveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.** 1 Corinthians 15:58.

Please pray for:

- The salvation of our family
- The personal contacts we have
- The weekly zoom Bible classes
- The Radio ministry programs
- The upcoming visit with my cardiologist
- **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,

Aileen & Irene

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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