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Dear brothers and sisters in Messiah,

Shalom! שלום!

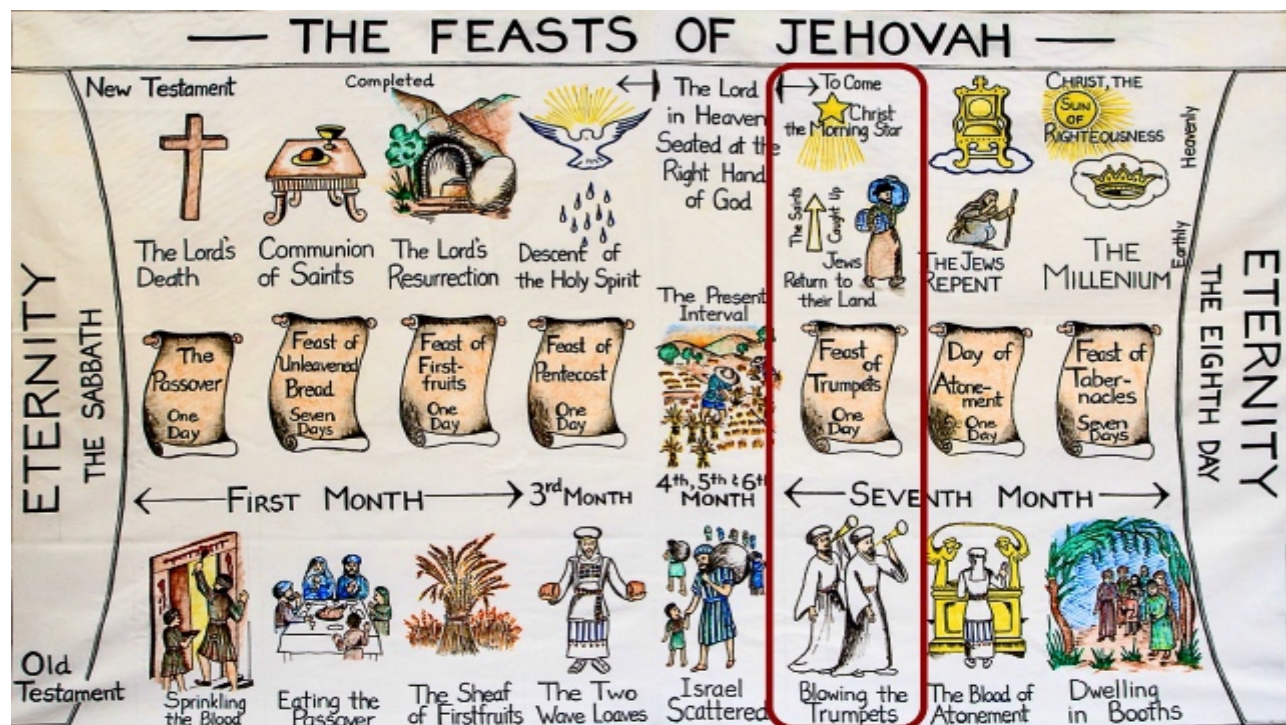
"Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of Jehovah unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith Jehovah of hosts." Zechariah 4:6

זְכַרְיָה 6:4 "וַיַּעַן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר יְהוָה אֶל־זְרֻבְבָּל לֵאמֹר לֹא בְחֵיל וְלֹא בְקֹחַ כִּי אִם־בְּרוּחִי אֶמַר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

We trust this newsletter finds you well and rejoicing in the Lord. Within a few days the fall season will begin, and with it the Fall Feasts of the LORD, מוֹעֲדֵי יְהוָה, which will be celebrated by our families and the Jewish community world wide. We, who are believers in *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah understand from the Word of God, that the final three feasts out of the Seven Feasts of the LORD, are pointing us to the second coming of our Lord Jesus the Messiah. As believers, we are enlightened by the Holy Spirit of God, helping us to understand the plan and program which God has recorded in His Holy Word. Jesus the Messiah, the eternal Son of God, declared; **Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.** Mark 13:31. At His first coming, *Yeshua* / Jesus fulfilled the first four feasts, the Spring Feasts, and at His second coming He will fulfil the last three, the Fall Feasts of the LORD.

It is wonderful to know that the very One who was once rejected by His people at His first coming, is the very same One who will be accepted at His second coming, receiving His rightful place here in this world. *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah, longed for the restoration of His people Israel, weeping over the city of Jerusalem, He cried, **O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee. how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not. Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until the time come when ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.** Matthew 23:34-35. Truly, the last 2000 years of Jewish history is proof that what *Yeshua*

prophesied concerning His earthly people has come to pass.



This is precisely what the Feast of Trumpets points to, it points to Israel's physical regathering back to their Land, while the Day of Atonement points to Israel's Spiritual regeneration back to God and their Messiah. Soon, that anticipated day will arrive, when Israel, the nation will say, **Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord**. The Feast of Trumpets is also called Rosh Hashanah, which interpreted, means head of the year. According to the spiritual leaders of Israel, Rosh Hashanah is the birthday of the universe, the day that God created Adam and Eve, and the day that God sits as a judge to judge each person. This is the reason why Jews seek forgiveness and reconciliation on that day, Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown on the eve of Tishrei 1, September 25, 2022 and it ends after nightfall on Tishri 2, September 27, 2022. Lord willing, we will be hosting a live meeting on Saturday, Shabbat afternoon on our [Holy Scriptures and Israel YouTube channel](#). Should you wish to receive an invitation link for that Zoom meeting, please email us at gideon@holyscripturesandisrael.com



Trumpets, Atonement and Tabernacles, are the fall Feasts of the LORD which points to Israel's glorious future day, when the nation will be restored to God, and to our beloved Messiah Jesus, who will establish the promised Messianic kingdom and reign on earth as King of kings and Lord of Lords. The Word of the Lord is sure, His promises are written in the pages of scripture from cover to cover, everyone of the prophets prophesied of this glorious day, not only for Israel, but for Jehovah Himself, who longs to restore His people Israel. Zechariah prophesied what God, in the person of *Yeshua* the Messiah, would do for His own pleasure, **And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.** Zechariah 12:10. Some years earlier, Isaiah wrote of that glorious day; **O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the**

high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God. Isaiah 40:9. Beloved brothers and sisters, if God will not fulfill His promises to His earthly people, we, who belong to His heavenly people, can never be sure of the promises of God for the church. God is faithful to

His Word.

September the 25th, at sundown, is the first day of the month of Tishrei in the Hebrew calendar, in Leviticus 23:23-24 we read the instructions that God gave Israel concerning that day. We read, And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a Shabbat, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. While the text does not give any specific reason for the blowing of the Shofar, the command is clear, blow the trumpets. A Shofar is a trumpet made from an animal, usually a ram's horn. Our people Israel were commanded not only to blow the Shofar - Ram's Horn on that day, but to listen to the sound of the Shofar, which would remind them of their responsibility to turn to God in repentance. For the Jewish people, these first ten days of Tishrei are very solemn days, leading to the Day of Atonement, Yom Ha-Kippurim, which falls on the 10th of Tishrei.

As we seek to reach our people, we, as others who serve among the Jewish people, present the gospel of Messiah from the Hebrew Scriptures. Currently, we are recording a new series entitled, Prophecies of the Messiah in the Hebrew Scriptures, נְבוֹאוֹת הַתִּנְ"ךְ עַל הַמָּשִׁיחַ. We praise God for the good responses that we have received from believers who share these messages with others, including their Jewish friends. Messiah in the Hebrew Scriptures is an important topic to share with Jewish friends, as one must remember that the New Testament is not considered to be the Word of God by our people. We praise God for this truth, that the apostle John wrote, when writing of Jesus the Messiah in Revelation 19:10b, he said, **for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.**

Most Jewish people do not possess a copy of the New Testament, more than likely they have never seen one, let alone read one. Personally, it took me awhile before I dared to open the New Covenant, to my surprise I discovered that the New Covenant was written by Jewish individuals who believed that *Yeshua* was indeed the Messiah. I was touched, reading the first few lines of the New Covenant, which read, **The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judah and his brethren;** Matthew 1:1-2.

Reading the genealogy of Jesus our Messiah from the first chapter in the New Covenant, assures the Jewish reader, that *Yeshua*, is not someone that was in the imagination of some religious person, many years ago, but that *Yeshua* is indeed that very promised One of Israel. Please pray with us and for us, as we work on preparing, recording, and airing this new video series on the Prophecies of the Messiah in the Hebrew Scriptures, נְבוֹאוֹת הַתִּנְ"ךְ עַל הַמָּשִׁיחַ. You can go to our [Holy Scriptures and Israel YouTube channel](#), for additional bible teaching messages.



Last week, we had the privilege of leading a Bible tour group to Lancaster, Pennsylvania and Washington, DC. Some of the highlights of the tour were the David Musical in Lancaster, as well as the Bible and Holocaust Museums in Washington, DC. The subject of our daily bible reading was, David the king of Israel, of whom God said. **I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.** Acts 13:22b. It was a blessing to be together for a five day bus trip with nearly 50 individuals. In our daily reading from 1st Samuel, we looked over the unique way in which God called and dealt with His servant David, who became the King of Israel. As we know, David became the one through whom the Messiah Jesus was born into this world, of whom the angel told Miriam in Luke 1:31-33. **And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary. for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give**

unto him the throne of his father David And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Being in the Holocaust museum and revisiting the sad events that took place in Europe by the Nazis against our Jewish people from 1933 to 1945, was very moving and sad, on the other hand visiting the Bible museum, was an encouragement, as the Word of God assures us of His eternal plan of salvation through *Yeshua* / Jesus the Messiah our Lord.



We would ask you brethren to pray for our sister Natasha Iorga, who's husband Jonathan, a good friend and a dear brother in Messiah, has gone to be with the Lord. Pray that the Lord will sustain and comfort Natasha and all the family through the difficult days ahead. Also please pray for our brother Scott Cassell, who injured his spinal cord some days ago, that the Lord will help his wife Connie as she assists brother Scott during these days. Scott and Connie faithfully prepare our Holy Scriptures and Israel Bible teaching messages for the radio stations. Also, thank you for your prayers for the radio and video outreach of the Holy Scriptures and Israel, we appreciate your prayers for Irene, myself and our family, as well as for your financial support of us in the ministry. Prayer is the avenue whereby we can intercede for one another, and communicate with our Lord Jesus, who declared, **Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.** Matthew 7:7. We thank God for these words of promise.

Please pray for:

- The sick among our outreach group.
- The upcoming Bible teaching tour to Asia Minor.
- The weekly international Zoom Bible classes.
- The radio and video ministry of the Holy Scriptures and 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,

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