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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 "וַיֵּשֶׁן וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלַי לֵאמֹר זֶה דְּבַר יְהוָה אֶל־זְרֻבְבָּל לֵאמֹר לֹא בִמְיָל וְלֹא בִכֹּחַ כִּי אִם־בְּרוּחִי אֶמֶר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת:

As we are writing our September newsletter, we are thankful to the Lord for your part in our lives. Thank you for the encouraging phone calls, e-mails, notes and personal visits, assuring us of your love and your prayers for Irene, myself and for the outreach ministry of the Holy Scriptures and Israel. We praise God for His goodness and grace, who sustains us, as we continue on in our little part of service in His great vineyard. **For the LORD is good, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth to all generations.** Psalm 100:5. Although things around us are changing, and there is much that is going on that can easily discourage us, we are exhorted to thank our God, as our hope and joy is found in the person of the Lord Yeshua, Jesus the Messiah. It is so refreshing to note how God throughout history raised-up individuals of like passion, for the purpose of encouraging His people, and directing them to the Lord Jesus the Messiah.

We can learn much from individuals such as Moses and Shaul, Paul, who were used by God to be vessels of blessing and encouragement to the people of God. We find that both of these men directed their brethren to the person of our Lord Jesus the Messiah. Moses directed his people Israel to the One who would come, **The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken.** Deuteronomy 18:15. Paul directed his brethren in Galatia to the One who had already come, **Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according**

to the will of God and our Father. Galatians 1:3-4. How wonderful to know that our Messiah has come, we often sing this hymn — — HOW wonderful! that Thou the Son hast come, And here for us as Son of man hast died, our sins were laid on Thee, Thou didst become Salvation's Rock, when Thou wast crucified, and faith perceives Thy finished work --- the rest. Where love well known, yet passing human thought, Has set our feet; as those Thy love has blessed. We praise and worship by Thy Spirit taught.



At the end of August, Irene and I were privileged to once again host a bus trip with a nice size group to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum in Kentucky. As with all our other trips we have our daily devotionals, which correspond to the sites we will be visiting. Together, we read portions of scripture taken from the first six chapters of the book of Genesis, the creation of the world, the fall of Adam, the provision of God through the blood sacrifice, and the promise of the Redeemer, the seed of the Woman. **And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.** Genesis 3:15.

Throughout our trip, we also read of Cain and Abel, the godly and ungodly lines, and ended with Noah and the judgment of the flood. The Creation Museum provides an explanation of the origin of the universe and life on earth, based on a literal interpretation of the Genesis creation narrative found in the word of God. The Ark Encounter is a full-size replica of Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given to us in the word of God, some 510 feet long, 85 feet wide and 51 feet high. One can visualize how God delivered Noah and his family from the judgment of the flood which fell upon a world that rejected Him. **And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually...And God said unto Noah...Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.** Genesis 6:5,13a,14.



While visiting the Creation Museum, we were blessed to listen to the story of [Corrie ten Boom](#), as actress Vickie Gaynier delivered Corrie ten Boom's message of the love of God and His forgiveness. Vickie portrays Corrie in her own words and appears as she looked when she was 85 years old. Corrie ten Boom and her family suffered during World War II, when they sought to protect the Jewish people from the hatred of Adolph Hitler, hiding Jewish people in their own home. This resulted in their being sent to a concentration camp, and ultimately some of them lost their lives. Corrie was eventually released from the concentration camp, and then for the next 33 years she traveled to over 65 countries, sharing what the Lord taught her during those difficult days. The message that Corrie presents is an encouragement to all of us as believers. It was our privilege to meet actress Vickie Gaynier at the end of her presentation. Vickie is a dear sister in our Lord Jesus the Messiah, and we pray that the Lord will bless Vickie as she continues to present this incredible story.



As to the radio outreach ministry, thus far, and by the grace of God, we continue to air our bible teaching messages on the various radio stations. Please pray for brother and sister Scott and Connie Cassel as they assist us with the cleaning and providing messages for the radio stations and websites. We presently provide additional bible teaching messages for the [WNWR radio station](#) in Philadelphia, where our programs are aired each weekday, morning and evening.

Thankfully, with the help of the Lord, we have over the years, recorded, and provided bible studies on some 42 books of the bible, which can be found on our Holy Scriptures and Israel website. You will need to scroll down on [this page](#) in order to view and listen to any of these messages. Due to the ample number of recordings, we are able to rotate our recorded audio messages on the radio stations as well as on the various websites. It has been a joy to study the Scriptures and it is our desire to share the Word for the encouragement of believers and the salvation of souls.

Presently, we are recording our video bible studies on the books of Mark, Zephaniah and Revelation, which also are held on Zoom with our international Bible class. We thank God for all those who continue to faithfully attend, and to newcomers to the classes. We are aware that everything is in the hand of the Lord and that He is the One who is able to open any door of opportunity to present His Word. **And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, these things says He who is holy, He who is true, He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens.** Revelation 3:7.

Sadly, there are nations in this world where the word of God cannot be shared freely. We recently placed an ad campaign directed to listeners in India, unfortunately, the advertisement was rejected due to the country's Supreme Court order, which prohibits the advertising of religious content and products in India. We pray for the believers in India, who are currently going through much persecution.



The latest posting on our [YouTube channel](#) was the continuation on the study of the book of Hebrews. Hebrews 7:1-3 - Melchizedek, a Type of the Eternal Priesthood of Jesus the Messiah. How good for us, as believers, to know that our Lord Jesus the Messiah is now seated at the right hand of the majesty on High. Just as David, king of Israel, wrote by divine inspiration, **The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.** Psalm 110:1-2. David spoke

of Melchizedek, king of Salem, who became a type of our Messiah Yeshua, the eternal Son, who took union, humanity, with His divine nature, in order to provide redemption. Praise God that our Lord Jesus is now in heaven interceding on our behalf. For this Melchizedek, **...made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually.** Hebrews 7:1-3.

Dear brothers and sisters, we appreciate your continued prayers for us, our family, and the ministry of the [Holy Scriptures and Israel](#). Also, please pray for our family and our people Israel. The nation is experiencing many conflicts from within and from without. The answer for Israel, its neighbouring nations, and the whole world is the coming of our Lord Yeshua, Jesus the Messiah. **He who testifies to these things says, Surely I am coming quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.** Revelation 22:20. SOON will the Master come: soon pass away, our times of conflict, grief, and suffering here. Our night of weeping end in cloudless day, and sorrow's moment like a dream appear. Eternity with Jesus in the skies, how soon that Sun of righteousness may rise.

For those of you who wish to study the Word of God with us over Zoom, please send us an e-mail request to this e-mail address. gideon@holyscripturesandisrael.com You may also have a Jewish friend or neighbour with whom you wish to share the gospel message, please feel free to share with them our Holy Scriptures and Israel Website and Youtube channel, as some of you have already done. The Lord is working in many hearts, may He bless His Word!

Please pray for:

- The Holy Scriptures and Israel outreach ministry
- The persons who listen and watch our Bible messages
- The believers who study God's Word with us over zoom
- The situation in Israel and the scrounging nations
- The needed on going grace from the Lord for Irene and Gideon
- **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