

Day 7 of Tevet the 4th month of 5779 (*Rabbinic*) - Dec 15, 2018 (*Gregorian*)



# Be'it Gan-Eden

## Messianic Community

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A Messianic congregation of  
Believers in Yeshua HaMashiach

**SHABBAT NEWSLETTER**  
Day 7 of the 10th Biblical month  
of 7571 (*Septuagint*)

**Parashah 11 Vayigash**  
~He approached



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## TEHILLAH ~Service of Praise

**Welcome to Beit Gan-Eden!** ~House [of] Paradise. We are gathered here in the name of our righteous Messiah, Yeshua, to worship our Heavenly Abba ~Father. Yeshua tells us. "Y'HoVaH is Spirit and worshipers must worship Him in spirit and in truth." Yochanan (John) 4:24. **Shabbat Shalom, everyone!**

## TEFILLAH ~Service of Prayer

**All sing:** "Sh'ma Yisrael, Y'HoVaH Eloheinu, Y'HoVaH echad" (Deu 6:4)

"Baruch Shem kavod malchuto, le'olam va'ed! (Ps 72:18-19)

**All say:** "Hear, O Isra'el, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, Y'HoVaH is one!

**Blessed be His Name. His glorious Kingdom is for ever and ever. Amein".**

**Leader:** "V'ahavta et Y'HoVah elohecha b'kol l'vav'cha u'v'kol nafsh'cha u'v'kol m'odecha." **All say:** "And you shall love Y'HoVaH your Elohim with all

**your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. (Deut 6:5)**

**And Yeshua said: "Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Torah and the prophets are dependent on these two mitzvot." (Mat 22:37-40)**

**Leader:** "Y'HoVaH hu Yeshua HaMashiach". (Phil 2:11; 1Cor 12:3; Luke 2:11)

**All say:** "Yeshua the Messiah He is LORD". Amen.

## B'RACHOT YELEDIM ~Blessing the Children ברכות ילדים

Prayer for boys from *Gen 27:27b-29*. May Y'HoVaH make you, like Efrayim and M'nasheh ... Prayer for girls from *Num 6:24-26*. May Y'HoVaH make you, like Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel and Leah...

**All pray together:** "Heavenly Abba preserve these children for their fathers and mothers. May they be led into a life of obedience and faith through the Tanakh and Ketuvei HaShelichim. Blessed are You, Yah of Avraham, Yitz'hak and Ya'akov, who watches over these precious children of Your servants. We ask this in Yeshua's Name, Amein.

## SHABBAT SHUL ~School (Held during Torah readings & Drash)

**Children** ages 6 (Prep) to 12 may attend with Mark and Rachel. Younger children may attend with a parent. Shabbat Shul begins in the adjoining room (F5), straight after "Blessing the Children" and prior to the Parashah readings.

**Shabbat Shul ends at the start of the "Yeshua Remembrance Service".**

**Parents**, please resume proactive responsibility for your children during and after the Remembrance Service. Corridors and other common areas of the Southport Community Centre are not play areas. Parents please assist.

## PRAYER FOR THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL (Mat 15:24).

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# MISHPACHAH ~family MEMOS

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## TORAH ~Service of The Word

### Parashah 11 Vayigash ~He approached

**Torah:** B’resheet ~Genesis 44:18 - 47:27

**Haftarah** ~Prophets: Yechezk’el ~Ezekiel 37:15-28

**Ketuvei HaShelichim:** Acts 7:9 - 16 (~specifically 13-15)

~Writing [of] the Apostles

### Drash ~sermon: MMin Sean “Yitzhak” Nicholson

**Hazak, hazak, v’nit’chazek!** ~Be strong, be strong, and let us be strengthened!

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### BGEMC Gold Coast -- Saturdays 2pm

The Southport Community Centre. (Conference Room, 1st floor)  
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# The Australian Family Association Requests We Act to protect our religious freedoms

Dear BGE Community,

The government response to the Ruddock Inquiry on protection of religious freedom is to be published before the end of the year. In the meantime, there has been no resolution of the matter of the protections for faith based schools. On the last sitting day of Federal Parliament for 2018 the Senate referred this matter to a Senate Committee for inquiry. It may be that protections for faith based schools may be dealt with as part of the wider religious freedom issue.

There have now been two ALP Bills, the **Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removal of Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018** (*introduced by Senator Penny Wong in the Senate*) <https://tinyurl.com/yakllrcc> and the similarly worded **Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removal of Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018 (No 2)** (*introduced into the House of Representatives by Bill Shorten*) <https://tinyurl.com/y9kukmq5> which seek to remove from the Sex Discrimination Act (SDA) the

provisions that protect the freedom of faith-based schools and educational institutions.

These Bills seek to:

- Add a new Section 37(3) to **remove the protection in Section 37(1)(d)** (which provides that “any ... act or practice of a body established for religious purposes, ... necessary to avoid injury to the religious susceptibilities of adherents of that religion” does not amount to discrimination) from any act or practice in relation to students connected to the provision of education by that body; and
- **Repeal Section 38(3)**, which provides that an act done “in good faith” by “an educational institution ... conducted in accordance with the doctrines, tenets, beliefs or teachings of a particular religion or creed ... to avoid injury to the religious susceptibilities of the adherents of that religion or creed” does not amount to unlawful discrimination.

The Inquiry notified on this link <https://tinyurl.com/y74yppn6> is to be held by the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee into the ALP proposed Senate Bill. **Submissions are due by 21 January, 2019** and the Committee is to report by 11 Feb,

## **Coalition amendments proposed to the ALP Bill would be an improvement**

**but** still fall short of the current protections (under Sections 37 and 38) of the SDA.

### **“ACTION STATIONS!”**

1. To sign the CitizenGo/AFA Petition to “Keep freedom in our religious schools!”, use this link... <https://www.citizengo.org/en-au/ed/166749-keep-freedom-our-religious-schools> or this TinyURL <https://tinyurl.com/yca4xclx>
2. If you have already signed the Petition please circulate to your networks inviting them to sign.
3. You can make a Submission to the Inquiry. Use this Tinyurl link... <https://tinyurl.com/y74yppn6>

### **Points you can adapt in your own words to make a Submission:**

- Section 38(3) currently provides freedom for faith-based “educational institutions” to take into account in dealing with students matters such as sexual orientation and gender identity which would otherwise be unlawful. This provision recognises “the right to freedom of thought, conscience, and religion or belief” protected by the

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. Its repeal would remove the freedom of faith based schools to make decisions in relation to students where a student openly and publically opposes or acts contrary to the teachings or principles or values of the faith of the school. The repeal of Section 38(3) would remove any freedom for a faith based school to directly counsel, discipline or deal with a student who actively promoted a view of sexuality opposed to the view of the school.

- The repeal of Section 38(3) would also remove protection not only from faith based schools (primary and secondary) but from any faith based educational institutions which would include tertiary colleges or university or other institution where education is provided. It would have wide operation.

- Proposed new Section 37(3) would remove the freedom of faith based schools to set conditions and requirements or standards in relation to sexual orientation or gender identity to ensure compliance with the doctrines, tenets or beliefs of the religion of the school.



# The Hamas Plan to Take the West Bank

by Khaled Abu Toameh • Dec 13, 2018  
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<https://tinyurl.com/y96h6yb9>

- Hamas and its allies are openly working and encouraging the eruption of a new anti-Israel uprising in the West Bank, and they have been emboldened by the recent failure of the UN General Assembly to adopt a US-sponsored resolution condemning Hamas and other Palestinian groups for firing rockets at Israel and inciting violence.

- The Hamas-engineered attacks are not only a threat to Israeli civilians and soldiers; they also undermine the Western-funded Palestinian Authority (PA) of Mahmoud Abbas. Each "successful" attack carried out by Hamas earns it more popularity in the West Bank, at the cost of Abbas and his regime.

- Now that Hamas is getting what it wants in the Gaza Strip -- millions of dollars and no war with Israel -- it is seeking to shift the attention to the West Bank, all with the help of its friends in Tehran. This has a twofold goal: to undermine or overthrow the Palestinian Authority, inflict heavy casualties on Israel, and thwart any peace plan brought forward by the US administration.

Hamas and its allies are openly working to export their "armed struggle" against Israel beyond the Gaza Strip and

ultimately to take control of the West Bank.



*Pictured: Masked Hamas terrorists.  
(Photo by Abid Katib/Getty Images)*

It is clear by now that Hamas is behind some of the recent terror attacks against Israelis in the West Bank. These attacks serve the interests of Hamas and its friends and sponsors, especially the Palestinian Islamic Jihad organization -- and Iran.

Hamas and its allies have a plan, and they are not even keeping it a secret -- to export their "armed struggle" against Israel beyond the Gaza Strip and ultimately to take control of the West Bank.

The latest terrorist attack took place on December 9 outside the West Bank settlement of Ofra, east of Ramallah. An Israeli-Canadian citizen, Amichai Ish-Ran, and his pregnant wife, Shira, were among seven people wounded in a drive-by shooting attack. The baby born prematurely as a result of the terrorist attack died on December 12, after doctors fought to save his life for close to 72 hours.

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## YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

**Leader:** <sup>31</sup> "Here, the days are coming," says Y'HoVaH, "when I will make a new Covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'hudah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers on the day I took them by their hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt; because they, for their part violated My Covenant, even though I, for my part, was a husband to them," says Y'HoVaH. <sup>33</sup> "For this is the Covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says Y'HoVaH, "I will put My Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their Elohim, and they will be My people. (Yirem'yahu ~Jeremiah 31:31-33

**Congregation:** *Isa 12:2* "See! Elohim is my salvation; I am confident and unafraid; for Y'HoVaH Elohim is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation!" *Isa 12:3* Then you will joyfully draw water from the springs of salvation. *Ps 3:8* Victory comes from Y'HoVaH; may Your blessing rest on Your people. *Ps 46:7* Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot is with us, our fortress, the Elohim of Ya'akov.

**Leader:** "Baruch ata Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech Ha'olam, ha motze lechem m'in ha eretz."

### Divide Chullah ~platted loaf

**Congregation:** "Blessed are You Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the Universe who has brought forth bread from the earth. Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot, how happy is anyone who trusts in You! (*Ps 84:12*). Give victory Y'HoVaH! Let the King answer us the day we call. (*Ps 20:9*) I will take the cup of redemption and call upon the Name, Y'HoVaH. (*Ps 116:13*).

**Leader:** (with cup in right hand) "The cup of deliverance I raise and in the Name of Y'HoVaH, Yeshua HaMashiach, I call: Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech, ha'olam, boray p'ri ha'gafen." (Replace cup with spices)

**Congregation:** Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

**Leader:** Lifting spice container in right hand, says... "Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech ha'olam, boray meenee besamim."

**Congregation:** Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the various spices.

**Leader:** As Avram gave to Malki-Tzedek according to B'reshet ~Genesis 14:18-20, let us all come, make our offering, take some Chullah; smell the spices; take your cup and return to your seats and wait, so we can partake together.

**Leader:** Pray in relation to what Yeshua has done in connection with the day's Torah portion. "Let us eat and drink together".

### Aharonic Blessing (Hebrew & English) from Tamar & Malachi (Num 6:22-27)

**Leader:** Our Abba and Elohim of our fathers, we thank you for the joy and rest of this Shabbat. May the coming week bring gladness & peace, health & achievement. Like the fragrance of the besamim, we pray that the days ahead bring sweetness to our lives and the lives of our loved ones. May the peace, which we are enjoying linger till we gather for Shabbat next week. We ask this in Yeshua's name, Amein.

