

Day 4 of the 7th Biblical Month of **Ethanim** אֶתְנַיִם (1Ki 8:2);
Day 6 of Tishrei, the 1st month of 5783 (*Rabbinic*) - October 1st, 2022 (*Gregorian*)



Beit Gan-Eden

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A Messianic congregation of
Believers in Yeshua HaMashiach

SHABBAT NEWSLETTER

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Ethanim אֶתְנַיִם (1Ki 8:2) of 7573 (Septuagint)
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Parashah 52 VaYelekh
~And he went



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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 (OT) and Ketuvei HaShelichim (NT). 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

The children's resources, applicable for each Parashah may be downloaded freely from the CHILDREN'S SCHOOL page on our website, [Click here](#) or enter this link in your browser: <https://www.bgemc.org/childrens-school.html>

Parents, please maintain proactive responsibility for your children. Corridors, kitchens and other common areas within the Southport Community Centre are not play areas. Parents please be mindful.

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

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How the Russian Church Positively Influences the Russian Government

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While reading the news this morning, I came across an encouraging article:

[Defense of Family Values Is a Matter of National Security - Russian Church](#)

In the daily news, I frequently come across gems like this one. Unlike America, where religious leaders occasionally ask their followers to vote or to call their congressmen, hoping to influence politics in some marginal way, Russian headlines constantly remind me just how well connected the Russian Church is to the political process. In the above article, Fr. Fyodor Lukyanov says it clearly:

“it is encouraging that the voice of the Church is heard today in the corridors of power and is seriously listened to when important documents and decisions are adopted.”

Fr. Fyodor is head of the [Patriarchal Commission for the Family](#), a politically influential group directly connected to Patriarch Kirill, the head of the Russian Church. I have met Fr. Fyodor and have talked personally with several members of this commission, including personalities such as [Fr. Maxim Obukhov](#), [Pavel Parfentiev](#), and the late [Fr. Dmitry Smirnov](#).

These are not men who merely opine from the pulpit, hoping that their listeners will vote for better congressmen. These are men who speak directly to the Russian legislature (Duma), encouraging them to enact better laws. They regularly write proposed new laws, sending them to the Duma, always working to make Russia a better place for traditional Christian families. And the wonderful, stunning thing in Russia is that the government frequently listens to them.

The greatest religiopolitical powerhouse in Russia is Patriarch Kirill, as the following article eminently demonstrates:

[The Head of the Russian Church Has Enormous Power - The West Has Nothing Similar](#)

Notably, he works in close harmony with the Russian government. Having rejected the [anti-Christian concept of “separation of church and state”](#) so popular in Western nations, Russia has revived the Orthodox idea of “symphony”, i.e. close cooperation, as was practiced in the Byzantine Empire. “Thus, when it wants to make a diplomatic point, the government can send the Patriarch on a diplomatic mission, or the Patriarch can raise political themes in his public pronouncements and sermons.” This is a big step up from earlier decades, when [his grandfather spent time in Stalin’s prisons](#). Today, the Russian church is an important and influential partner of the government, but is not subordinate to it.

The article continues with this juicy tidbit:

In reality, the Patriarch has more power than most ministers and

governors. To begin with, the President can neither nominate, appoint, nor fire a Patriarch, whereas in Russia, both ministers and governors serve at the pleasure of the President. Even the President has to consider the wishes of the Patriarch, because publicly disagreeing with him could be politically lethal. The Patriarch operates at the very top of Russian political power, often in a ceremonial function, and is imbued with the respect society has for religious authority.

Truly, in what other nations of the world do you normally see religious leaders show up in headlines like these:

- [Head of Russian Church Makes Major Address to Russian Senate](#)
- [Urgent Need for Gov't Subsidies and Encouragement of Large Families - Head of Russian Church](#)
- [Teaching Orthodox Christianity in Public Schools is Important, Says Head of Russian Church](#)

Patriarch Kirill's political influence is so strong that he draws international attention. What other religious leaders are [sanctioned by foreign governments?](#)

The Russian Church is also frequently in the news for its charity work on an international level, even providing [humanitarian aid in foreign nations.](#)

The Russian Church has its own [foreign affairs](#) department, often working in close relationship with the [ministry of foreign affairs](#) of the Russian Federation. In this sense, [Metropolitan Anthony](#) is the Church's counterpart to [Sergei Lavrov](#). Both men are high profile Russians who regularly meet with powerful, influential personalities from nations around the world.

If the Russian government has made a lot of good decisions in recent years, pushing back against the liberal tide and strengthening support for traditional Christian families, then it's worthwhile to consider the underlying influences and motivations. If actions speak louder than words, and if the abundance of news reports are any indication of actions, then it would appear that the Russian Orthodox Church continues to be a major player in the Russian political sphere.

May God's will be done . . . **on earth** as it is in heaven.

Russia to Deport Foreigners Promoting LGBT in Russia

Another reason why traditional Christian families can live safely in Russia by Fr. Joseph Gleason

Sep 3

I just read a bit of news this morning, and it is very encouraging:

[Russia to Fine, Deport Foreigners Promoting LGBT in Russia](#)

Source: <https://gorthodox.com/en/news-item/russia-to-fine-deport-foreigners-promoting-lgbt-in-russia>

The article says that if any members of the rainbow mafia try to infiltrate Russia and peddle their despicable wares, they can expect to face a hefty fine (up to \$70,000), and then they can be forcibly placed on the next flight home — complete with an invitation **not** to return.

It is important that they will not only be fined, but also deported. The world has some unsavory characters with deep pockets, who are more than happy to foot the bill for occasional fines, as long as it will promote their cause. So fines alone would be unlikely to have the desired effect. But when you deport someone, banning re-entry to the country for five years, that accomplishes something. It makes it physically impossible for the offender to continue in the same capacity, spreading harmful propaganda through the local population.

Deportation is like an immune system for a nation — when you target and banish a dangerous social “pathogen”, you are protecting society. The less that people are exposed to harmful propaganda, the less that people will be corrupted by it.

This is why Russia will NOT succumb to homosexual propaganda, the way America and Western Europe have so miserably done. At the highest levels, Russia is fighting back against homosexual perversion, diligently working to protect traditional family values.

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MISHPOCHAH ~family MEMOS

MEN'S NIGHT - TUESDAY, October 11th @ 6:40pm. at Saltwater Creek Hotel's Sports Bar, 40 Siganto Dr Helensvale Qld. \$15 specials include: 250g Rump, salad & chips; Seafood basket; Fish & chips; Chicken Parmigiana. Weblink to map with directions from anywhere: <https://tinyurl.com/bddf5sbj>

FESTIVAL DATES 2022

Day of Atonement/Yom Kippur* (*Days 9/10 of Month 7*) October 6th at sundown (*Leviticus 23:27-32*) all day Friday~October 7th till sundown
First Day of Feast of Tabernacles/Sukkot* (*Day 15 of Month 7*): Wed., Oct 12th
Last Great Day/Shemini Atzeret* (*Day 22 of Month 7*): Wednesday~October 19th
*High Holy Day a Shabbat.

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TORAH ~Service of The Word

Parashah 52 VaYelekh ~And he went

Torah (*Gen.Ex.Lev.Num.Deut.*): D'varim ~Deuteronomy 31:1-30

Haftarah ~Prophets: Hoshea ~Hosea 14:2-10;

Mikhah ~Micah 7:18-20; Yo'el ~Joel 2:15-27

Ketuvei HaShelichim ~Writing [of] the Apostles:

Messianic Jews ~Hebrews 13:5-8.

Drashah ~sermon: MMin Tamar Yeomans

Scriptures in Drashah: Mikhah~Micah 7:18-19; Philippians 3:8-9; Luke 24:44-45; Philippians 3:10-14; Yochanan~John 5:24; Romans 8:1-9; Ecclesiastes 9:10; Yonah~Jonah 2:1-9; Lamentations 3:21-23; B'resheet~Genesis 39:21-22; 1 Corinthians 4:2; Dani'el~Daniel 3:16-18; Tehillim~Psalms 91:9-11; Dani'el 6:10; Acts 16:25; Mattityahu~Matthew 18:20.

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

BGEMC Gold Coast - Saturdays 2pm. Visitors welcome from 1:30pm.

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YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Leader: ³¹"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. ³²It 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. ³³"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~Jer 31:31-33 ~Heb 8:8-10

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." **Leader divides 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: Let us all come, take some sweet Chullah and/or sliced rye; smell the spices; take your cup and return to your seats and wait quietly, so we can partake together. There is an offering box and self-serve EFTPOS machine on the back table to use anytime. Your offerings and those made online fund our services, equipment and supplies. Online viewers please click the love heart, Todah ~thanks.

Leader: (Pray in relation to what Yeshua has done in connection with the day's Torah portion.) "Before we eat; let raise our cups to Y'HoVaH Yeshua Ha Mashiach"

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

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.

