

Parashah 10 Mikketz -At the end-

Day 29 of the 9th Biblical month.

Day 30 of Kislev the 3rd Jewish month of 5776

Day 12 of December the 12th Gregorian month of 2015.



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A Messianic congregation of
Believers in Yeshua HaMashiach

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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 Father (Abba). 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!"

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."

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: "Yeshua HaMashiach hu Adonai".

And everyone says: "**Yeshua the Messiah, He is LORD. Amen."**

BLESSING THE CHILDREN B'rachot Yeledim ברכות ילדים

Parents to their boys: "**May Y'HoVaH make you, (name/s) like Efrayim and M'nasheh (and personalise) Genesis 27: 27b-29.**

Parents to their girls: "**May Yah make you, (name) like Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel and Leah (and personalise) Num 6:24-26.**

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 Ketuvei HaShelichim. Blessed are You, Yah of Avraham, Yitz'chak and Ya'akov, who watches over these precious children of Your servants.**

We ask this in Yeshua's Name, Amein." **Prayer for Israel**

TORAH = Service of The Word

Chanukah 1st Shabbat

Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7

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Torah: B'resheet (Genesis) 41:1 - 44:17

Haftarah (Prophets): M'lakhim Alef (1 Kings) 3:15 - 4:1

Ketuvei HaShelichim: Acts 7:9 - 16 (specifically 11-12)

(Writing [of] the Apostles)

Drashah (message): M.Min. Tamar Yeomans

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

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Children ages 6 (Prep) to 12 may attend with Devina Sleaford and Mark Batakin. Younger children may attend with a parent. Shabbat Shul begins, in the adjoining room, straight after “Blessing the Children”, which is prior to the Parashah readings. Shabbat Shul ends at the start of the “Yeshua Remembrance Service” at which time parents are expected to resume proactive responsibility for their children.

CHANUKAH STARTED on the EVENING of the 25th of Kislev.

The 25th of Kislev was last Tuesday 8th of December.

HOME PRAYER MEETING this TUESDAY evening
from 7pm at Arthur & Mark Batakin’s home
13 Castle Rock St., Parkwood, Qld., 4214.

IMMERSIONS & CHANUKAH IN THE PARK TOMORROW

Sunday 13th December at Budds Beach, Surfers Paradise.

Immersions in Nerang River at 10:30am followed by Mishpachah (family) picnic.

Please bring food to share as in potluck dinners plus your own utensils.

DONATIONS to Beit Gan-Eden Messianic Community may be by:

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Scriptures referenced in the drashah (message) by M.Min. Tamar Yeomans are:

1 Corinthians 6:19 Mattityahu (Matthew) 12:18

Yochanan (John) 8:12 Psalm 23

Yochanan (John) 8:32; 36 Sh'mot (Exodus) 15:11; 17

Yochanan (John) 10:22-23

Notes:

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Palestinian Stabber Wounds Two Israelis

ICEJ News Briefs. 09 Dec 2015

A Palestinian terrorist stabbed and wounded an IDF soldier and a civilian Wednesday afternoon near Beit Hadassah, a building that houses Jewish families in the West Bank city of Hebron. The attacker was shot dead by nearby security personnel.

In related news, security forces arrested five young Israeli-Arabs in Nazareth this week on suspicion that they were preparing to carry out terrorist attacks in the name of the Islamic State (IS) terror militia. The men, aged 18-27, were found to be in the possession of weapons and admitted under questioning to becoming supporters of IS after consuming IS media content on the internet.

Meanwhile, a poll published this week by the Pew Research Center showed that a large majority of Israelis live in daily fear that they or someone they loved will be the victim of a terrorist attack in the near future.

Elsewhere, customs inspectors intercepted a large shipment of stuffed dolls at the port of Haifa Tuesday. The dolls were dressed in the Palestinian colors of red, green, black, and white, and in face-covering keffiyehs which had the slogans "Jerusalem is ours," and "Jerusalem, here we come" as well as being adorned with military-style gear. Israeli inspectors believed the dolls, which originated in the United Arab Emirates, were meant to be given to Palestinian children as part of an effort to encourage them to a life of anti-Israel hatred and eventually terrorism. "These dolls were making their way to the Palestinian Authority with one clear purpose," Deputy Foreign Minister Tzipi Hotovely said Tuesday. "And that was to poison the minds of innocent children."

NII report shows high levels of poverty in Israel

ICEJ News

The National Insurance Institute issued a report Wednesday including the shocking statistic that over 1.7 million Israelis, almost a quarter of the population, lives below the poverty line. As in previous years, the report said that the Ultra-Orthodox (haredi) and Arab sectors had the highest rates of poverty. The report was based on information from the Central Bureau of Statistics and other social welfare ministries.

Gaza: 14 killed as Egypt floods smuggling tunnels

By Hillel Fendel in Arutz Sheva

As Gazans continue to rail against Israeli "siege," Egypt floods Gazan tunnel, leaving 14 dead. Palestinian Authority news agency Ma'an reports that 14 Gazans are "missing," following the flooding of a smuggling tunnel with seawater by Egyptian military forces.

Gazan rescue teams rescued seven tunnel workers, but were unable to locate 14 others. The incident occurred on Tuesday morning near Rafah, on the Egypt-Gaza border. Initial reports that the Civil Defense had established contact with the 14 turned out to be false.

Ma'an managed to indirectly blame the apparent deaths on Israel, saying



that the smuggling tunnels under the Egyptian border "have served as a lifeline to the outside world for [Gaza] since Israel imposed a crippling siege on the coastal enclave in 2007."

Ma'an acknowledged that the tunnels enable not only the delivery of food, medicine and other supplies – hundreds of truckloads of which Israel allows in daily – but also weapons. They also serve as an important source of tax revenue for Hamas.

The tunnels also serve as a conduit for anti-Egyptian terrorists to Sinai. As a result, Egypt has flooded hundreds of tunnels in the area, and has cleared out thousands of residents to build a 500-meter-wide buffer zone. Just yesterday, four Egyptian policemen were killed and four others were wounded when a roadside bomb was detonated under their armored vehicle in Rafah.

Eisenkot: ISIS cannot be defeated from the air alone

Arutz Sheva

IDF Chief-of-Staff Gadi Eisenkot is certain that the "Islamic State" (ISIS) terrorist organization cannot be defeated if the attacks are only launched from the air, Haaretz reports.

The reports indicate that Eisenkot shares Defense Minister Ya'alon's estimations regarding the US-led anti-ISIS coalition's chances of success in the current format. He added that the key to stopping the fighting in Syria is to reach a diplomatic resolution, although such a deal could take years.

Putin initiates law against anti-Semitic Biblical commentary

By Hillel Fendel 12/10/2015, in Arutz Sheva

At the initiative of Russian President Vladimir Putin, the Duma (Russian Parliament) has legislated a law outlawing "distorted and/or extremist" commentary of Scriptures.

The purpose of the unusual law, it is widely understood, is the prevention of cynical advantage being taken of Biblical verses for anti-Semitic purposes.

Russian history has seen many instances in which anti-Semitic elements announced "shocking new revelations" from the Bible and Rabbinic writings to encourage violent anti-Semitism.

Putin, a former KGB agent, has long been known to oppose anti-Semitism, and violent attacks against Jews in his country have in fact been on the decline in recent years. He also conducts warm relations with Israel – even as he does the same with Iran.

Rabbi Berel Lazar, Chief Rabbi of Russia, said that the law is truly important in the fight against Russian anti-Semitism. He publicly thanked "my friend President Putin who bodily blocks all anti-Semitic phenomena" and the members of the Duma for "proving that Russia respects the beliefs of all its citizens."

Putin's warm relations with the Jewish community in his country have long been a matter of curiosity. Some say it is because of his many Jewish friends and neighbours when he was a child. One story even has it that a Jewish family befriended him when he was a poor child in St Petersburg whose parents were barely ever home. Another story relates that years later, as Vice-Mayor of that city, Putin stuck his



neck out to give permission for the opening of a Jewish school in the city, even though it was not in his authority to do so.

In 2012, Putin arrived in Israel to take part in the inauguration of the Victory Monument in the city of Netanya, commemorating the sacrifices of the Red Army on behalf of Jews during World War II. Putin said on that occasion, "I am very excited to be here today.... The Jewish Holocaust was the most shameful and dark event in human history, and the Soviet Army was the one who crushed the head of the Nazi monster... This amazing monument strengthens the respect I feel towards to the Jewish people and the State of Israel."

Clearly, Putin's opposition to anti-Semitism is only one of many aspects of the complex personality and politics of the leader of one of today's world's major superpowers.

Putin Surprising Jewish Connection Revealed

*By Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz, Dec 2, 2015 ,
www.breakingisraelnews.com/55179/*

In the long history of Jews in Russia, the government has rarely been an ally, and often been the source of persecution. Current Russian president Vladimir Putin, however, is a powerful exception, with Jews playing a significant role in his personal history and his inner circle. With the Russian army a major player in the potentially explosive multi-national puzzle unfolding in Syria, this personal element could become an important, perhaps decisive, factor in how the conflict unfolds.

At the International Assembly of Chabad Representatives in 2007, Russia's Chief Rabbi, Rabbi Berel Lazar, often referred to as "Putin's Rabbi", told a remarkable story about the Russian leader, which he heard from Putin himself.

"When he was a young child, he grew up in a very poor family. His parents were always out at work. He was fortunate that the next door neighbor was a Hasidic Jewish family, and they always made sure to invite him over," Lazar explained. "They were extremely kind to him, and he realized that not only were they kind to a child that wasn't theirs, not only were they kind to a child that wasn't Jewish, but they were kind to a child in a time and place when it was dangerous to do that."

"Thirty years later, because of the gratitude he felt for that family, and for the respect he felt for the Jewish people as a whole, as deputy mayor of the city of Leningrad, he granted official permission to open the first Jewish school in the city."

The family in Lazar's story was that of Anatoly Rakhlin, Putin's high-school wrestling coach, a man he considered to be a father-figure and at whose funeral he cried. Putin described the family in his autobiography, *First Person*.

"(They were) observant Jews who did not work on Saturdays, and the man would study the Bible and Talmud all day long," he wrote. "Once I even asked him what he was muttering. He explained to me what this book was and I was immediately interested."

Putin's Jewish connection was not an anomaly limited to his childhood memories. In 2005, when Putin made an official visit to Israel, he visited his high-school teacher, Mina Yuditskaya Berliner, who lived in Tel Aviv. He even bought her an apartment in the city when he heard she was living in poor



conditions.

Arkadi and Boris Rotenberg were his judo sparring partners under Coach Rakhlin, and remain his close friends to this day. The Rotenberg's are billionaire contractors, and the relationship is mutually beneficial, with the Rotenberg brothers getting government contracts worth many billions of dollars.

Want to know what the experts have to say?

In fact, Putin has surrounded himself with rich and successful Jews, such as Moshe Kantor (net worth \$2.3 billion), Lev Leviev (net worth \$1.5 billion), Roman Abramovich (net worth \$9.1 billion) and Victor Vekselberg (net worth \$13.6 billion). They are all close friends and confidantes of the Russian president, and they are all quite openly Jewish.

On the Jewish New Year, celebrated in September, Putin sent a holiday greeting to Rabbi Lazar, wishing the Russian Jewish community a "sweet and happy New Year."

"For centuries, Jewish values inspired lofty ideals," Putin wrote. He said that these values enhanced "relations among different peoples...through charity and education, all in the interest of the public good." In a direct manner, he pledged "fierce opposition to any manifestation of anti-Semitism and xenophobia."

Putin puts his money where his mouth is and donated a month of his salary as president to the Jewish Museum in Moscow. His name is proudly listed on the museum wall as a donor.

Perhaps due to his connection with Jews on a personal level, Putin can be said to view Russian Jews as first and foremost good Russian citizens. This has already had international repercussions. When Putin met with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in September to discuss the developing situation in Syria, the meeting produced positive results, with Putin expressing his strong connection with Israel.

"We never forget that in the State of Israel reside many former Soviet citizens, and that has a special implication on the relationship between our two states," Putin stated. "Every Russian action in the area has always been very responsible. We are aware of the artillery against Israel and we condemn it."

In 2011, at the Euro-Asian Jewish Congress in Moscow, Putin said, "Israel is, in fact, a special state to us. It is practically a Russian-speaking country. Israel is one of the few foreign countries that can be called Russian-speaking. It's apparent that more than half of the population speaks Russian."

In 2014, Putin was one of the few political leaders who supported Israel's Operation Protective Edge, saying at a meeting with representatives of the Rabbinical Center of Europe to fight anti-Semitism and xenophobia, "I support Israel's battle that is intended to keep its citizens protected."

Putin is a powerful player in the explosive situation in the Middle East. There are clearly political and military considerations that cause him to look upon Israel as an ally, but it might be the personal connection he has with Jews that has led him to be the most pro-Israel Russian leader the world has seen in a long time.

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YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

³¹ "Here, the days are coming," says Y'HoVaH, "when I will make a re-newed Covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'udah. ³² 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. 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 [Jeremiah] 31:31-33)

Leader: "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 12:2)

Congregation: Then you will joyfully draw water from the springs of salvation. (Isa 12:3). Victory comes from Y'HoVaH; may Your blessing rest on Your people (Ps 3:8). Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot is with us, our fortress, the Elohim of Ya'akov. (Ps 46:7)

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

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' resheet (Genesis) 14:18-20, let us all come and bring our offering; then take some Chullah; smell the spices; take your cup, 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".

Malachi & Tamar: Aharonic Blessing (see Num 6:22-27). 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.

