

# Parashah 52 Vayelekh (He went)

Day 4 of the 2nd Biblical month. Ziv (Zif) זִיב (1 Kings 6:1)

Day 6 of Tishrei the 1st Jewish month of 5776

Day 19 of September the 9th Gregorian month of 2015.



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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

### Parashah 52 Vayelekh (He went)

Torah: 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

Drash (message): M.Min. Sean "Yitz'chak" Nicholson

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

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**Biblical Hebrew Class this afternoon September 19th.** (*about 1:30 p.m.*)

**PRAYER MEETING** Tuesday 22nd September

7 - 9pm at 1/69 Falconer St., Southport Qld 4215

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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.

**DATES OF HIGH HOLY DAYS are 2 day behind Jewish calendars.**

**Yom Kippur: Sunset Thursday 24rd to sunset Friday 25th of September.**

**Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot) 8 days of Sept 30th through Oct 7th.**

**BGEMC Yom Kippur Services Thursday 24th 11am & 3pm Prana Centre.**

This venue is not available on the 25th.

Our usual Yom Kippur break-of-fast dinner will held on

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## Calendars and the Timing of Yom Teruah 2015.

*By M.Min Malachi (Sept 2015)*

I remember reading years ago that verse 36 of Matthew 24 was referring to Yom Teruah. Mat 24:36 "But when that day and hour will come, no one knows — not the angels in heaven, not the Son, only the Father..." The connection to the Yom Teruah (Day of Trumpets) made sense once I learned that this is the only Biblically appointed time (Moed) that has no prior days warning and so can't be accurately predicted. Any attempts of a prediction are fraught with undesirable consequences. I speak from experience.

Now, with 20-20 hindsight we know that from a Scriptural perspective Yom Teruah (The day of Trumpets) occurred in 2015 on Wednesday, 16th of September. This date was validated on the evening of Tuesday, September 15th when the first sliver of the new moon became clearly visible, when the sky had darkened sufficiently, in the western sky above where the sun had set.

After this Shofar blasts rang out truthfully announcing that the next day would be Yom Teruah. Biblically Yom Teruah is the 1st day of the 7th Biblical month, which is specifically named Ethanim אֶתְנַיִם in 1st book of Kings 8:2.

However, this date does not match any published Jewish calendars. Why? Simply because Jewish calendars are calculated calendars designed to facilitate uniformity and preplanning. To achieve this they significantly flout Y'HoVah's instructions whilst supporting tradition by changing month names and days.

For example; The Scriptural instructions state that the first biblical month is Aviv. Deut 16:1 "Observe the month of Aviv, and keep Pesach to Adonai your God; for in the month of Aviv, Adonai your God brought you out of Egypt at night. And Exo 12:1-2 " Adonai spoke to Moshe and Aharon in the land of Egypt; he said, You are to begin your calendar with this month; it will be the first month of the year for you. Also see Exodus 13:4 ; 23:15 & 34:18. Passover and the festival of matzah are to be celebrated in Aviv. This event is in spring; well in the Northern Hemisphere it is spring, where I am "down under' in the Southern Hemisphere it is autumn.

In the Jewish Calendars we can't find the month of Aviv because it was re-named Nisan. Why, is anyone's guess but the naming of Aviv as Nisan obviously served some un-Scriptural policy or it wouldn't have been done.

Never-the-less Nisan is mentioned twice in the Scriptures. One place is in Nehemiah 2:1 and the other Ester 3:7. In the book of Ester, Nisan specifically named as the first month. Yet traditional Jewish calendars constantly assert that Nisan is the 7th month. The book of Ester reveals that this six month switch of month numbering was done post Babylon.

Both books were written after Israel and later Judah were expelled from the Promised Land and taken into captivity by the Babylonian Empire. The Babylonian empire was subsequently conquered by the Persian Empire, who later freed the Jews to return to the Promised Land to rebuild the temple. Persia became an ally of Israel. In 1967 Persia was taken over by an externally financed and initiated coup and the Shah of Iran was overthrown to be replaced by radical Muslims serving other masters. So after centuries, Iran ceased to be an ally of Israel and became its enemy.

It is worth noting that Iranians are Persians not Arabs.



This brings us to a consideration of Ethanim, the 7th month; which is the only other month mentioned in the Bible by both name and number. Ethanim is called Tishrei in Jewish calendars and is promoted as the first month of the year.

In Jewish calendars Tishrei day 1, is treated as New Year 's Day hence the “Head of the Year”. The word “Head” is as in the context of 1st place, pre-eminence, as in the head of a queue or head of an organisation. In Hebrew the head of the year translates to “Rosh Hashanah”. So all the hoopla about Rosh Hashanah is no more Scripturally valid than all New Year celebrations leading up to January 1st in the modern Western World. Rosh Hashanah looks like it is just another social celebration of pagan origins.

Yom Teruah became morphed into the New Year festival of Rosh Hashanah to such an extent that Yom Teruah is not even mentioned in online calendars like the Kaluach3 Jewish calendar.

The Jewish New Year celebrated in 2015 is numbered 5776. Supposedly from Creation but the validity of the year number is historically highly questionable.

Another significant deviation from Scripture in current Jewish calendars is in determining when the new month actually starts.

Apparently the first day of each month in the Jewish calendar occurs on the day following the time of the invisible Astronomic conjunction of the new moon. The only circumstance when a conjunction of the new Moon can be seen by the general population is during a visible Solar eclipse. Other than then, it must be calculated and such calculations only date back as far as the Babylonian astronomers (maji) and these discoveries were 500 years after Moshe (Moses) who received the written Torah for all the sons of Israel.

Thus Biblically the start of the new month was and had to be based on the first sighting of the new moon after the astronomic conjunction. Consequently the sighted moon calendar is usually one day behind the Jewish Calendar. This close correlation between the calculated Jewish calendar and the sighted moon calendar makes the Jewish calendar an invaluable assistance to approximately when moedim will occur because it either matches or leads the sighted moon based calendars by one or two days during the various months.

There remains an ongoing challenge for Messianic Communities to sift out the un-and anti-Scriptural traditions from the valid instructions of the Bible.

In 2015 the Jewish calendar led the sighted moon calendar by two days. The realisation of that fact was at the time surprising and caused many problems for those who succumbed to the temptation to make venue bookings based on modern astronomic software that showed an apparently reasonably good possibility that the new moon would be sighted on the 15th September 2015 but it was not to be.

How did it pan out in the end? Quite well really, all things considered. We'll hold our two Yom Kippur services of the Thursday one day behind the Jewish calendar and one day ahead of the sighted moon calendar. We decided to delay to Friday the fasting and the post fast, evening out, dinner meal to bring us back into sync.

Next year if necessary we will seek to pay an option fee to hold two days available. Which of course still won't solve problems for those needing to book well ahead to take a day off work but praise Yah, He knows we are seeking to please him and in the process often disappoint ourselves.



It appears that the Biblical calendar has an inbuilt mechanism to discourage planning too far ahead.

Now, more than ever I can see the connection between the return of Yeshua and Yom Teruah, even though Yom Teruah may not have been specifically what Yeshua was referring to when he said in Matthew 24:36 “But about that day and about that hour no one knows, not even the Angels of Heaven, but The Father alone.” HalleluYah.

*(The views expressed in this article are the author's and not necessarily those of BGEMC)*

### **“It Felt Like the Apocalypse”:**

#### **Israel Hit with Extreme and Unusual Weather on Jewish New Year**

*By Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz Sept 17, 2015 [www.breakingisraelnews.com/49091](http://www.breakingisraelnews.com/49091)*

As Jews across Israel celebrated the Jewish New Year of Rosh Hashana earlier this week, parts of the country were hit with extreme flash flooding and, in some areas, hail, in an unusual change of weather.

“It felt like the apocalypse, the rain has been torrential, there were about 10 lightning strikes in seconds, and even with your windshield wipers on high, it was impossible to see anything,” Mark Katz, a National Parks Authority employee, told the Times of Israel.

Since the beginning of September, Israel has experienced a series of extreme weather changes, beginning last week with a sudden sandstorm that blanketed the country in thick yellow dust.

The record setting five-day dust storm was also accompanied by a heat-wave, with new records reached across Israel in temperatures and air pollution.

Last week’s sandstorm is reported to be the worst to hit the region in Israel’s history. As the dust finally dissipated, it was only to be replaced with freak rainstorms and flash flooding in the Arava and Judean deserts.

Israel’s meteorological service issued flash flood warnings Tuesday, even going so far as to close the Eilat Airport, grounding domestic flights until the late evening.

The flash floods led to road closures in from the central region of Mitzpe Rimon all the way just north of Eilat. The extreme change in weather also caused parts of southern Israel and the Galilee to be hit by a rare hail storm. Witnesses reported hail the size of ice cubes.

### **Chief Rabbis Call Christian Embassy a 'Spiritual Threat'**

*Thursday, September 17, 2015 by Israel Today Staff*

Long has the International Christian Embassy Jerusalem (ICEJ) been among the more visible and active Israel-based organizations representing Christian Zionists worldwide. For well over 30 years, the ICEJ has worked tirelessly for Zion’s sake.

But none of that prevented Israel’s Chief Rabbinate this month from calling the ICEJ a “spiritual threat” based on allegations that the ministry’s events, in particular the annual Feast of Tabernacles, are a platform to proselytize Jews.

A letter signed by both chief rabbis, David Lau and Yitzhak Yosef, read:  
“It has come to our attention that those engaged in missionary activity





## YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

<sup>31</sup> "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. <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)

*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.***

