

Parashah 34 B'midbar - In the desert

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Day 6 of Iyyar the 8th Jewish month of 5776.

Day 14 of May the 5th Gregorian month of 2016



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

All say: "**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 Tanakh and 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

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Torah: B'midbar (Numbers) 1:1-4:20

Prophets: Hoshea (Hosea) 2:1-22 (*1:10-2:20 in some Bibles*)

Ketuvei HaShelichim (Writing [of] the Apostles):
Luke 2:1-7; 1 Cor 12:12-31

Drashah (message): M.Min. Robyn "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 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.

TORAH PEARLS THIS AFTERNOON AFTER LUNCH.

HOME PRAYER MEETING this TUESDAY evening.

Prayer meeting Tuesday evening at Arthur & Mark Batakin's home.
7pm at 13 Castle Rock St., Parkwood, Qld 4214p

COMBINED MENS & LADIES DINNER THIS THURSDAY 19th May

Venue: Cav's Steakhouse Restaurant, 7:00 pm
30 Frank Street (G.C. Hwy) Labrador Qld 4215

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Scriptures in drashah (message) by M.Min. Robyn "Tamar" Yeomans

Sh'mot (Exodus) 34:22; D'varim (Deuteronomy) 16:10; 2Chronicles 8:12-13;

B'midbar (Numbers) 28:26; D'varim (Deuteronomy) 8:8; Sh'mot (Exodus) 23:16

Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 5:24; D'varim (Deuteronomy) 16:9-11; Yeshayahu (Isaiah) 9:2

Acts 2:1; Vayikra (Leviticus) 23:15-16; D'varim (Deuteronomy) 16:9;

Vayikra (Leviticus) 23:11; Sh'mot (Exodus) 19:1-3; Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 1:4

Yechezk'el (Ezekiel) 3:12; Yo'el (Joel) 3:1; Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 31:31

Yesha'yahu (Isaiah) 59:20-21.

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Readings for Shavu'ot (tomorrow Sunday 15th May)

Shavu'ot (Weeks, Pentecost)

Torah: Shmot (Exodus) 19 - 20; B'Midbar (Numbers) 28:26-31

Haftarah (Prophets): Ezekiel 1, 3:12

Ketuvei HaShelichim (Writing [of] the Apostles): Acts 1-2 (especially 2:1-13)

Hamas still tunneling, Israel charges, despite IDF detection efforts

By Judah Ari Gross in "The Times of Israel", May 10, 2016

A teenage Hamas operative revealed "extensive information" about the terror organization's tunnels and plans for infiltrating Israel in order to carry out attacks, after he was arrested by security forces last month, the Shin Bet said Tuesday.

As of last month — before Israel announced it had discovered a tunnel in Israeli territory — the terror group was continuing to dig into Israel to carry out attacks despite Israeli efforts to detect and destroy the subterranean passageways, the Shin Bet security service said Tuesday, citing information gleaned from a captured Gazan teen involved in the tunneling project.

In his interrogation, the minor revealed "extensive information on Hamas activities to dig tunnels that are to be used for Hamas fighters to infiltrate Israeli areas," the Shin Bet said.

The security service stressed that the minor is just one of a "succession of [Hamas] operatives" who have provided information to Israel about the terror group's "intensive tunneling activities."

According to the operative, who was unnamed due to his young age, Hamas is well aware of Israel's attempts at locating the group's tunnels, but continues to construct them undeterred, the Shin Bet said.

The teen was arrested prior to the discovery of the two attack tunnels in the past month. Therefore his testimony does not address what impact the still-secret but widely discussed tunnel detection technology has had on Hamas's burrowing plans.

During his interrogations, the teenage Hamas member gave interrogators details of the locations, building strategies and what materials are used in their construction, the security service said.

"For example, in an effort to camouflage their activities, the diggers are adopting a variety of methods like forbidding them from leaving the tunnels in work clothes, requiring them to shower and change clothes within the tunnel, and more," the Shin Bet said.

Hamas also planted explosives both along the tunnels and in the areas surrounding them, in order to prevent Israeli forces from entering them and killing those who do, the teenager told interrogators.

In addition, the Hamas detainee revealed some of the terror group's battle plans for future conflicts. For instance, most of the group's training exercises were "offensive," as opposed to defensive, dealing with "infiltration, entering buildings, detonating explosives, etc.," the security service said.

According to the Shin Bet, this appears to be "a part of their battle plan to



have the next fighting take place within Israeli territory.”

Interrogators also extracted information “about the routes of the tunnels that will be used in emergency situations by Nachba operatives, the elite unit of Hamas, and also information about the numerous tunnel shafts in the Strip,” the Shin Bet said in a statement.

The Palestinian teen came from the Jabaliya refugee camp and belonged to Hamas’s Northern Gaza Brigade, the Shin Bet said.

The unnamed teen admitted to interrogators that he had joined the terror organization just before the 2014 Gaza war, known in Israel as Operation Protective Edge.

During the 50-day conflict, the teen took part in the fighting, “including in ambushes, as a lookout against IDF forces, doing reconnaissance and digging tunnels into Israel,” the Shin Bet said.

In addition to his tunnel-digging role and combat training, the underage Hamas member kept explosives in his home for the terrorist organization, the Shin Bet said.

For his actions in the organization, the Gazan teen was indicted Tuesday in a Beersheba court.

Israel and "Palestine": What International Law Requires

by Louis René Beres, May 12, 2016

www.gatestoneinstitute.org/8016/israel-palestine-international-law

* Under relevant international law, a true state must always possess the following specific qualifications: (1) a permanent population; (2) a defined territory; (3) a government; and (4) the capacity to enter into relations with other states.

* While this contingent condition of prior demilitarization of a Palestinian state may at first sound reassuring, it represents little more than a impotent legal expectation.

* For one thing, no new state is ever under any obligation to remain "demilitarized," whatever else it may have actually agreed to during its particular pre-state incarnation.

* "The legality of the presence of Israel's communities the area (Judea and Samaria) stems from the historic, indigenous, and legal rights of the Jewish people to settle in the area, granted pursuant to valid and binding international legal instruments, recognized and accepted by the international community. These rights cannot be denied or placed in question." — Ambassador Alan Baker, Israeli legal expert.

International law has one overarching debility. No matter how complex the issues, virtually everyone able to read feels competent to offer an authoritative legal opinion. While, for example, no sane person would ever explain or perform cardiothoracic surgery without first undergoing rigorous medical training, nearly everyone feels competent to interpret complex meanings of the law.

This debility needs to be countered, at least on a case by case basis. In the enduring controversy over Palestinian statehood, there are significant rules to be considered. For a start, on November 29, 2012, the General Assembly voted to upgrade the Palestinian Authority (PA) to the status of a "Nonmember Observer State."



Although it is widely believed by many self-defined "experts" that this elevation by United Nations has already represented a formal bestowal of legal personality, that belief is incorrect. Under law, at least, "Palestine" - whatever else one might happen to think of "fairness" - remains outside the community of sovereign states.

This juridical exclusion of "Palestine," whether welcome or not, on selective political grounds, is evident "beyond a reasonable doubt." The authoritative criteria of statehood that express this particular exclusion are long-standing and without ambiguity. Under relevant international law, a true state must always possess the following specific qualifications: (1) a permanent population; (2) a defined territory; (3) a government; and (4) the capacity to enter into relations with other states.

Moreover, the formal existence of a state is always independent of recognition by other states. According to the 1934 Convention on the Rights and Duties of States (the Montevideo Convention):

"Even before recognition, the state has the right to defend its integrity and independence, to provide for its conservation and prosperity, and consequently to organize itself as it sees fit...."

It follows that even a Palestinian state that would fail to meet codified Montevideo expectations could simply declare otherwise, and then act accordingly, "to defend its integrity and independence...."

More than likely, any such "defending" would subsequently involve incessant war and terror against "Occupied Palestine," also known as Israel. The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) was formed in 1964, three years before there supposedly were any "Israeli Occupied Territories." What, then, exactly, was the PLO trying to "liberate?"

Whenever the PA finally decides it is time openly to declare statehood, certain explicit Montevideo standards and corollary criteria of statehood will need to be invoked.

Much as the Government of Israel, seeking to challenge any such adversarial PA declaration, will then cite correctly multiple Oslo Agreement violations. The PA will counter-argue that its particular right to declare an independent state of Palestine is nonetheless fundamental, or "peremptory." The PA will surely add as a footnote that its right of statehood according to "jus cogens" ("certain fundamental, overriding principles of international law, from which no derogation is ever permitted") simply overrides all previously-existing expectations of a just peace with Israel.

Undoubtedly, among other matters, the PA will cite (1) the plainly non-treaty quality of the Oslo Agreements (per definitions of "treaty" at the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties), and to (2) those basic and allegedly immutable human rights under international law that concern "self-determination" and "national liberation."

Now, of course, Prime Minister Netanyahu seems to have acknowledged the eventual creation of Palestine, but, among other things, only on the seemingly prudent condition of antecedent Palestinian "demilitarization."

While this contingent condition may at first sound reassuring, it effectively represents little more than a contrived and ultimately impotent legal expectation. For one thing, no new state is ever under any obligation to remain



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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'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)

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 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.

