

A Messianic congregation of Believers in Yeshua HaMashiach

## SHABBAT NEWSLETTER

Day 23 of Ethanim אתנים the 7th month (1Ki 8:2)

Parashah 1
B'resheet ~In the beginning



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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!"

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

**Children** ages 6 (Prep) to 12 may attend with Mark Batakin and his assistant. Younger children may attend with a parent. Shabbat Shul begins in the adjoining room, straight after "Blessing the Children"; prior to the Parashah readings. Shabbat Shul ends at the start of the "Yeshua Remembrance Service".

**Parents**, please resume proactive responsibility for your children at this time and note that children running around inside is not authorised by building management.

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

# **MISHPACHAH** ~ family MEMOS

### **TORAH PEARLS today with M.Ministers Tamar & Malachi after lunch**

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# TORAH ~Service of The Word

Parashah 1 B'resheet ~In the beginning

Torah: B'resheet ~ Genesis 1:1 - 6:8

Haftarah ~Prophets: Yesha'yahu ~Isaiah 42:5 -43:10

Ketuvei HaShelichim ~ Writing [of] the Apostles: Yochanan ~ John 1:1-18;

1 Cor 6:15-20; Romans 5:12-21; Ephesians 5:21-32; Col 1:14-17;

1 Timothy 2:11-15; Messianic Jews ~ Heb 1:1-3; 2 Pet 3:3-14; Rev 21:1-5

### Drashot ~sermons: MMin Tamar Yeomans

### Scriptures referenced in today's drashah ~sermon

B'resheet~Genesis 1:1; Mattityahu~Matthew 6:9-10; Ephesians 1:10;

B'resheet~Genesis 1:2; 2:7; Yesha'yahu~Isaiah 47:13;

D'varim~Deuteronomy 32:17; 1Corinthians 6:20; Romans 6:13;

Messianic Jews~Hebrews 9:12; Yochanan ~John 14:30; Revelation 4:1; 5:9.

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## WHAT'S CHANGED IN BRITAIN SINCE SAME-SEX MARRIAGE WAS LEGALISED

by David Sergeant, Political Research Contributor at The Bow Group

Four years ago, amid much uncertainty, 400 British members of parliament voted to redefine marriage in the United Kingdom. Then Prime Minister David Cameron announced that, despite having made no mention of the issue in his party's pre-election manifesto, it would be MP's who decided the fate of marriage.

Now, it's Australia's turn to choose. There's one key difference. Unlike in Britain, it will be the people who decide. This will be a decision of enormous significance. Therefore, it is sensible to analyse the consequences of the potential change, within nations in which redefinition has previously been carried out.

In the United Kingdom, it has become abundantly clear that redefinition has affected many people. Across many spheres. At first glance, these spheres appeared distinct from marriage redefinition. However, subsequent changes, have proved that they are entirely intertwined.

Manifestations of the 'British gender revolution' are not difficult to find. Transport for London, have prohibited the use of the 'hetero-normative' words, such as ladies and gentlemen.

Meanwhile, universities across the nation are threatening to 'mark down' students, who continue to use the words 'he' and 'she'. Instead, 'gender neutral pronouns' such as 'ze', must be uniformly applied.

Such gender-theory radicalism has delighted the UK's LGBT lobby. Their tagline: Acceptance without exception', can be seen on posters and adverts. Politicians, attempt to 'out-radical' one another in the next emancipatory front of 'Trans-rights'. Much was made in the UK, about supposed exemptions, designed to ensure that believers would always be allowed to stay true to their convictions. Four years later, the very same people who made 'heartfelt promises', now work tirelessly to undermine them.

Equalities minister Justine Greening, has insisted that churches must be made to: 'Keep up with modern attitudes'. Likewise, the Speaker of the House of Commons had this to say: "I feel we'll only have proper equal marriage when you can get married in a church if you want to do so, without having to fight

the church for the equality that should be your right".

It became clear, during this year's general election, just how militant the LGBT lobby have become, following marriage redefinition.

The primary target was Tim Farron, leader of England's third largest political party, the Liberal Democrats. High-profile journalists had heard that Farron was a practising Christian. In every single interview thereafter, they demanded to know. Did he personally believe homosexual sex to be a sin? He practically begged the commentariat, to allow him to keep his personal faith and legislative convictions separate. For decades, he pointed out, he had vocally and legislatively supported the LGBT Lobby. Likewise, he had long backed same-sex marriage, voting for it enthusiastically. This simply was no longer enough. Shortly after the election campaign, Farron resigned. He stated that it was now impossible, for a believing Christian to hold a prominent position in British politics.

In a heartbreaking development and in spite of Britain's 'foster crisis', aspiring foster parents who identify as religious, face interrogation. Those who are deemed unlikely to 'celebrate' homosexuality, have had their dreams of parenthood scuppered.

This month, Britain's High Court, ruled that a Pentecostal couple were ineligible parents. While the court recognised their successful and loving record of adoption, they decreed that above all else: 'The equality provisions concerning sexual orientation should take precedence'.

In the lead-up to the Parliamentary vote, we witnessed almost incomprehensible bullying. David Burrows MP, a mild-mannered supporter of the 'Coalition for Marriage', had excrement thrown at his house. His children received death threats and their school address was published online. Similarly, 'Conservative' broadcaster Iain Dale promised to, 'publicly out' gay MP's, who did not vote for redefinition.

Many hardworking Brits have lost their jobs. Consider Richard Page, fired for gross misconduct after articulating, that children might enjoy better outcomes, were they to be adopted by heterosexual couples. The courts maintained that business owners must be compelled to promote the LGBT cause, irrespective of personal convictions. Even the National Trust, a British institution with over 4.2 million members, has decided to join the bullying LGBT crusade. A message went out. Each of the Trust's 62,000 volunteers, would be required to wear a compulsory same-sex rainbow badge.

In retrospect, the silent majority in Britain remained silent for too long. Reflecting on redefinition, Ben Harris-Quinney, Chairman of the Bow Group think tank pondered that: 'Same-sex marriage was promoted in the UK, as an issue of supposed tolerance and equality. What we have seen, is the most unequal and intolerant outcomes of any political issue in recent history'.

Across the UK, 'sex education' has been transformed and disfigured. TV programmes, aimed at children as young as three, promote 'gender fluidity', as an enabler of thoughtfulness and individuality. At the same time, Ministers have denied worried parents the right to withdraw their children from primary school classes. Meanwhile, 'outside educators' teach children about sex positions, 'satisfying' pornography consumption and how to masturbate. Concerns regarding promiscuity, are derided as 'old-fashioned'.

Independent religious schools are under intense scrutiny. Dame Louise Casey, a senior government advisor, has insisted that it is now: 'Not Ok for Catholic schools to be homophobic and anti-gay marriage'. When I mentioned to a good friend in the Conservative Party, that I was writing this article he expressed his genuine concern. Had I not considered the consequences? LGBT progress is an unstoppable tide. He assured me, that it was ok for me to 'privately' believe

that marriage was between one man and one woman. He even privately agreed, that the stuff being taught in primary schools was too much. But to say it out loud? To actually have it in print? It would blight my career and my personal relationships.

How much more important the institution of marriage and freedom of thought, religion and speech. How much more important the future of our children, than any naive career ambitions I might harbour. I urge every Aussie to examine the evidence, analysis the results and be clear about what you're voting for. If it was solely marriage, it would worth preserving. It's infinitely more than that.

Australian Prayer Network Newsletter Source: by David Sergeant

## IMAM HATED CHRISTIANS UNTIL JESUS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD

Munaf Ali, 45, was an influential imam as well as scholar and preacher of Islam in a Middle Eastern country. One day a team from Bibles4Mideast approached the imam and they entered into a vigorous discussion about the authority of Jesus and the Bible. Pastor Paul offered him a copy of the New Testament but he refused to receive it. Visibly upset, the imam cursed the pastor and his team. That night the

imam incited a mob to attack the place where Pastor Paul and his team had been staying with shouts of "Allahu Akbar." But the Holy Spirit directed them to leave that location a few hours earlier, narrowly escaping the attackers before they arrived, according to Bibles4Mideast.

A few days later, following Friday prayers, Munaf was returning home when he suddenly felt dizzy, fell to the ground, lost consciousness and died. After his physical body expired, he was aware of demons coming for his soul. "Get lost, you cursed demons of Allah. You have no right to take my soul!" the imam asserted. "No. It's our right to take your life," one of the demons replied. "And you will be with us," as he forcefully grabbed the imam and began to depart. But suddenly, Jesus Christ appeared before the imam with a large retinue of angels and the demons quickly fled in terror. Then Jesus spoke to his heart: Listen, my son. First Adam disobeyed God and sinned against Him under Satan's influence. I am the second Adam, the Word of God and the Messiah Jesus, Son of the Most High. I was born of the virgin Mary, as a sinless Son of Man to redeem Adam and all of his descendants including you from sin and death. I was crucified and died as a ransom for all your sins to make you a child of God and citizen of heaven. I was raised from the dead and opened the gates of heaven to bring you back to

eternal glory. Have faith in me and be my witness. I give your life back, for I have the authority of giving life.

When Munaf's soul returned to his body, his sons and other family members were trying to lay his body on a table for washing and preparation for burial. Many other people were also in the room. His family and friends were astonished and some began to shriek when Munaf opened his eyes and sat up on the washing table.

Many were frightened and backed away, as if they saw a ghost. "I was dead and demons tried to take my soul but Jesus came and gave my life back," he began haltingly, and then proceeded to describe his experience. Some believed his report, but others refused to believe and began to ridicule him. One said Munaf must have hit his head and lost his senses. "He is possessed by an evil spirit," someone charged.

Munaf became a bold witness for Jesus Christ, telling his family and anyone who visited him about his remarkable experience. His immediate family believed what he said about Jesus and accepted Him as their Saviour and Lord. As a result of his witness, he was dismissed from the mosque and told to see a psychiatrist. The community began to persecute them. A short time later, facing serious threats, Munaf and his family left their native country. So, please pray for Munaf and his family, that God would protect and provide for them as they minister in the region.

### YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Leader: "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. "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. "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).

<u>Leader:</u> (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.

<u>Leader:</u> 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, 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.