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# Beit Gan-Eden Messianic Community בית גרעדו

A Messianic congregation of Believers in Yeshua HaMashiach

SHABBAT NEWSLETTER Day 14 of the 10th Biblical month of 7571 (Septuagint)

Parashah 12 Vayechi ~He lived



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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 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* (*Held during Torah readings & Drash*) Children ages 6 (Prep) to 12 may attend with Mark and Rachel. Younger children may attend with a parent. Shabbat Shul begins in the adjoining room (F5), straight after "Blessing the Children" and prior to the Parashah readings.

Shabbat Shul ends at the start of the "Yeshua Remembrance Service". Parents, please resume proactive responsibility for your children during and after the Remembrance Service. Corridors and other common areas of the Southport Community Centre are not play areas. Parents please assist.

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

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## TORAH ~Service of The Word

Parashah 12 Vayechi ~He lived
Torah: B'resheet ~ <i>Genesis</i> 47:28 - 50:26
Haftarah ~Prophets: M'lakhim Alef ~1 Kings 2:1-12
Ketuvei HaShelichim ~Writing [of] the Apostles:
Acts 7:9 - 16 (specifically 15-16);
Messianic Jews ~ <i>Hebrews</i> 11:21-22; 1 Kefa ~ <i>1 Peter</i> 1:3-9; 2:11-17
Drashah ~ <i>sermon:</i> MMin Tamar Yeomans
Scriptures in Drasah: A Prophecy To Gad
B'resheet~Genesis 49:19; Mark 5:1-15; 5:9; 5:13; Yesha'yahu~Isaiah 65:2-5;
65:7; Mattityahu~Matthew 8:28; B'resheet~Genesis 3:4-6; Dani'el 4:4-16
(4:1); Dani'el 4:30-33 (4:27); Yesha'yah~Isaiah 65:11; 65:8; 65:16; 65:17;
Mark 5:15.
Hazak, hazak, v'nit'chazek! ~Be strong, be strong, and let us be strengthened!
Notes:
BGEMC Gold Coast Saturdays 2pm

The Southport Community Centre. (Conference Room, 1st floor) 6 Lawson Street, Southport, Qld 4215 Australia

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# AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN LOBBY

Dear BGE Community (per Tamar)

I wanted to quickly write to thank you and encourage you from the ALP's National Conference in Adelaide.

Your decision to sign ACL's parental rights petition to this conference was heard today!

60,000 ACL supporters like you asked Labor to backtrack from their extreme so-called "LGBT conversion therapy" policy.

If adopted by the conference, that policy could have meant that parents who affirm their child's biological gender, or who have a Christian view of human sexuality, would be criminals.

Labor's previous policy on this issue targeted mere claims that sexual orientation and gender identity can change. It singled out "religious communities" who make such claims. It labelled parents with those beliefs "domestic and psychological abusers."

But the themes of change and conversion are central to the gospel itself. This could have been an unprecedented attack on Christian parenting, belief and teaching.

At the conference today, the Australian Labor Party did what you asked. Because of your action Labor have changed their policy.

#### The policy no longer:

•Targets mere claims that change is possible;

•Singles out religious communities;

•Labels parents "domestic and psychological abusers"; or

•Includes a criminalisation clause.

#### This is a fantastic win!

I hope this encourages you to continue to raise your voice for truth.

As we race towards Christmas and the New Year, it is encouraging to see our grassroots movement growing and succeeding.

There is more work to be done, but with over 135,000 Australians now standing together as supporters of ACL's vision to uphold truth in public, 2019 is looking very exciting!

I pray that you may know all the riches of our blessings in Christ this Christmas.

Thank you for your support in 2018.

God bless you,



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Martyn Iles Managing Director

## **Martyn Iles BLOG**

https://tinyurl.com/yafzgb9z

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone... For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called

#### Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God,

#### Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

*Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end...* 

from this time forth and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this. - [Isaiah 9:2, 6-7]

#### We live in a dark world.

I am forced to confront that reality most days.

In one sense it's not a new revelation. In my childhood I was taught about it, warned of it, and read it in the Bible. I also saw scattered evidence of it, though never too much.

I knew it was a fallen world. I knew that the human heart was deceitful above all things and desperately wicked. I knew that the human race sought wisdom without God, only to find foolishness. I knew that I and others were, by nature, dead in sin.

But I guess there is a difference between knowing something because you were told it, and knowing something because you have experienced it.

That is the difference between knowing at intellectual level, versus having the

full reality of that knowledge run right through you, seizing your convictions and your very heart.

There are moments in life when you get a front-row seat to this awful reality; when you genuinely feel it, viscerally.

This job is one such front row seat.

I see a culture crying out for wisdom; for solutions to inequality, disadvantage, violence and oppression; for keys to happiness. But I see solutions which, though framed in seductive packaging, will certainly make it worse.

There is confusion everywhere – in schools, in churches, in politics, in families – and though the cry for clarity seems to be getting louder, the confusion continues.

I see a culture crying out for power to save; for the necessary political office, the transnational institution, the financial clout. Anything big enough to engineer solutions to our problems.

It is to these opportunities which so many young people now aspire. It is the people in these places in whom we have unrealistic hope and expectation.

But, like a carrot on a stick, the promises which accompany power and hierarchy are never obtained.

I see a culture grappling with its own mortality. Just how deeply does the belief that this is all we have – a blip in the matrix, from meaningless birth to meaningless death – affect the psyche?

We try to take some control over death to make it "meaningful" or "dignified."

We try to fill our fleeting youth with just one more experience or fastbursting bubble of good feelings. We look to "make a difference" before vanishing away.

But perhaps most of all I see millions of Australians with no peace. Their psychologists are telling them to ignore their guilt – they can't. Their dermatologists are telling them to hang on to youth – they can't. Their lifestyles are geared to ensure they don't think too much on God – but even the prodigal son in the pig pen couldn't forget Him. The entertainment industry is telling them to numb their existence with alcohol, music, dance, sex, vanity, and travel... And still they are unhappy.

But ask any jeweller - diamonds appear most beautiful on dark backgrounds.

Light shines most brilliantly in darkness.

After another year in which the darkness of the world has been so clearly demonstrated, the light dawns on the eve of Christmas with brilliance and wonder.

For, "the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone."

For the Christian, every moment of realism; every day in this world is lit up by the Biblical phrase, "but God…" It is the light of hope – real hope – which has shone upon us and which shines in the world still. It is the light which shines apart from this world, from outside the system, from God's divine intervention, cutting through the blackest midnight which has held us ever since the fall.

#### It is the light of God in Christ.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given..."

A most unlikely an unusual light. Not a transnational seat of power, a sage or intellect produced in the word's institutions, not one endowed with the power of nations, nor even one given a privileged life.

But the light which dawns in darkness, like sunrise in a deep, dark valley, is a child.

To the world, this is foolishness. Yet in God's economy, this child is His promised fulfillment of the deepest needs of every man woman and child. He came for us.

For us, He is the Wonderful Counsellor; the wisdom after which people grasp without knowing it; the wisdom they seek, but invariably prefer counterfeits. His counsel is wonderful, because it is the answer we never could have imagined; it leaves us in awe and wonder.

"Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." [Col 2:3]

#### Wisdom.

For us, He is the Mighty God; the One invested with all power to break the vice of the human condition and restore us to God, after whose image we were first created.

Not only a man, but also Mighty God,

who would stand where man fell; who would even smash the veil of death which would not hold Him.

"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me." [Matt 28:18]

#### Power.

For us, He is the Everlasting Father; the originator or author of the everlasting. Of course, He is not God the Father. but here we are told that to us He is the father of our eternity.

He is the author of the "everlasting life" into which we are born again through repentance and faith in His work. The life which not only is eternal, but is planted within us now, that we might live to God

Not merely a solution to our mortality, but real and divine life itself.

"I came that they might have life and have it abundantly." [John 10:10]

#### Life.

For us, He is the Prince of Peace; peace with God and therefore true rest for the soul. The One who brings peace now, and a foretaste of peace to come.

Without ever truly knowing it we need wisdom, power and life... But perhaps most of all we fail to realise how desperately we need peace. We who have grasped so desperately for the false promises of peace that this world offers - peace in political victories, peace in entertainment and excitement, peace in overcoming guilt to celebrate the self... peace in all the wrong places.

The world craves the release of true peace: peace with God.

And that was the song which rang out among the angelic hosts when He was baemc.ora

born: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace..."

#### Peace.

Here we find the answer; the light for the darkness: wisdom (wonderful), power (of God), life (eternal), peace... This child, born for us.

And let us not forget that it remains true today, as it always has, that "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it "

Not only that, but "of the increase of His government and of peace there shall be no end... The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this."

God is at work in the world. His light has already ripped through this land of deep darkness once, and so it continues. and it will never go out.

# **Public Intelligence Blog**

The truth at any cost lowers all other costs https://tinyurl.com/ycoogrn3 **Former British MI6 Agent** Christopher Steele, Under Oath, **Tells British Judge** "I Worked for Hillary Clinton to Frame Donald Trump".

A Fake Dossier on Russia Collusion. https://tinyurl.com/ycoogrn3 and https://youtu.be/ QLgTYVR mQ



# **YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**

*Leader:*\_<sup>31</sup> "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. <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* 

**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*).

*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, 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.

