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UNITY

**Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for
Brethren to dwell together in unity!**

Psalm 133:1

**Endeavouring to keep the unity of the
Spirit in the bond of peace.**

Ephesians 4:3

**Till we all come in the unity of the faith,
And of the knowledge of the Son of Elohim,
Unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature
Of the fullness of the Messiah**

Ephesians 4:13

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This magazine is published for the sake of truth in honor of our Heavenly Father and His only begotten Son. It upholds the originally inspired Scriptures, teaching to declare all the counsel of The Almighty One. It proclaims the Father's scholarly recognized name, YAHWEH, and the Son's, YAHSHUA, rather than substitutions. It upholds the Ten Commandments, recognizing the name, Yahweh, in the third, and the seventh day Sabbath (not the first day of the week) in the fourth. It stands for baptism (immersion) in the name, Yahshua, the Messiah, according to Acts 2:38 and Matthew 28:19; the ordinance of feet washing and the commemoration of the Messiah's death, at the Passover season; the set times of Unleavened Bread, Weeks (Pentecost), Tabernacles, with all the yearly set apart convocation days of Leviticus 23. It advocates tithing and the observance of Yahweh's laws for our well being including clean foods. It teaches repentance of sin (disobeying Yahweh), and justification by faith in Yahshua, the Messiah, in whom we have redemption through His blood; making right the whole man, physically and spiritually; stressing the importance of the set apart righteous life, and the Power of Yahweh's Spirit of separation teaching the obedient to do His will. It is supported by "called out ones of Yahweh," which is the meaning of "Assembly of Yahweh." It is for those hearing and heeding the call of Revelation 18:4, and is proclaiming to the world that Yahweh reigns, Psalm 96.

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ORIGINALLY INSPIRED
SCRIPTURES!

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Editorial

BECAUSE STRAIT IS THE GATE

Matthew 7:14 – Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Brethren, this text from Matthew is witnessing to several thoughts. First, the way is the direction to the Kingdom of Yahshua the Messiah. Yahshua told his disciples in John 14:4-6, And where I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Master, we know not where thou goest; and how can we know the way? Yahshua saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Much of mankind is in a dilemma, their governments, their banks, their houses of worship, their families, close friends, etc. have betrayed them or let them down. Many feel deserted, lonely and afraid. This makes some wonder and ponder their next move. Some not knowing which way to turn might think to seek out a fortune teller or wizard for advice and leading; asking themselves, should I consult a seer or guru or should I seek spiritual guidance? Should I pray to the heavenly Father and see if some sign or wonder comes into my life? Should I pick up a Bible (the Holy, set-apart Scriptures) and read to see if it brings me answers?

Thankfully we are seeing an awakening in people to come back to the Scriptures and start searching out their Salvation with fear and trembling. Yahshua said in John 5:39, Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have everlasting life: and they are they which testify of me. Back to John 14, “I am the Way” (Yahshua is The Way). We must remember Yahshua was taught (he received) everything from his Father Yahweh; His laws, commandments, statutes. Greatest of all, Yahweh sent His love to this earth through His only begotten son Yahshua the Messiah.

Moses wrote a few words about Yahweh’s love in Deuteronomy 7 verses 6-9: For thou art an holy people unto Yahweh thy Elohim: Yahweh thy Elohim hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. Yahweh did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: but because Yahweh loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath Yahweh brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that Yahweh thy Elohim, he is Elohim, the faithful El, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations.

Yahweh sent His love (Yahshua is love) to this world to change people; to change their attitudes, to have more love and genuine concern for their fellowman. Yes, we should be concerned for others, their welfare, their walk with Yahweh and Yahshua, their part in the coming Kingdom of Yahweh. Remember the story of Cain and Abel in Genesis 4; how Cain was jealous of Abel and slew him. And Yahweh said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother’s keeper? Of course we are our brother’s keeper.

Yahshua’s advice to his followers in Matthew 22 verses 37-40: Yahshua said unto him, Thou shalt love Yahweh thy Elohim with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and

with all thy might. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to Yahweh, to serve him, and to love the name of Yahweh, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant; Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. (Isaiah 56:6-7)

King David wrote in Psalm 22:28 – For the kingdom is Yahweh’s: and he is the governor among the nations. Governor: to rule, have dominion, reign. Psalm 145:13 – Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations. We know this government, this dominion will be righteous and good; we can put our faith and trust in Yahweh and Yahshua. What a vision for the perplexities mankind is facing right now. Proverbs 29:18 reads, Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

We all have to make choices in our threescore and ten years on this earth. Let us make the right choice, to take the high road (The Way). Although the way is narrow, the gate is strait which leads unto life and let us be among the few that find it. The calling has gone forth (Revelation 18:4): Come out of her my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. Let us all answer the call, keeping Yahweh’s Commandments and having the testimony of Yahshua the Messiah.

A Servant,
Pastor Samuel A. Graham

**YAHWEH
LOVES YOU WHEN YOU:**

HONOR HIM

Follow His commandments, His laws and statutes.

GLORIFY HIM

**Tell the world who He is and spread
His Name among all nations.**

WORSHIP HIM

**Read His Word; study His Word and pray
To Him each day of your life.**

PRAISE HIM

**Thank Him continuously for all the blessings
He bestows upon you and your family daily.**

Spoken by the Holy Spirit to: Russell F. Medina

ARTICLES OF SCRIPTURE STUDY

1. In humility. Pray for revelation and understanding of Yah's Will. Truth comes from Him alone, not human reasoning. Deuteronomy 32:4; 2 Samuel 22:31-35; Psalm 119:33-40; Proverbs 3:5-8; Jeremiah 9:23-24; John 17:17.

2. Daily as a priority. Read, study, consider and heed the Scriptures all through each day. Genesis 18:19; Deuteronomy 6:7; Joshua 1:8; Acts 17:11; Revelation 2:2.

3. Discern the Inspired Scriptures. Yahshua and his Apostles taught the "Old" Testament and the Hebrew Apochrypha (Tanakh) only, so truth-seekers must weigh all else against that Word (Isaiah 8:20; Luke 16:31). Remember the Tanakh is Yahweh's Word. Revere it! Let it inspire your growth in His Name! Proverbs 4:18; 2 Corinthians 3:18.

4. Grow in Knowledge. Read the Scriptures through as one project, the law, Prophets, Writings and Apocrypha. This approach aids growth in breadth of general knowledge and grasp of story flow. Deuteronomy 8:3. So, too, read Matthew through Revelation.

5. Grow in Understanding. At times, study thoroughly one book, topic, or word using aids, e.g. commentaries, lexicons. This approach aids growth in depth of understanding.

6. Grow in Character. Yah's Word is a two-edged sword, incisive, judging our innermost thoughts, revealing each character flaw. Approach the Scriptures He inspired as you would approach Yahweh Himself, in a teachable attitude, thirsting for instruction, eager to please. Deuteronomy 4:36; Leviticus 19:2; Proverbs 6:23; Isaiah 1:20; Isaiah 66:1-2, 5; Jeremiah 10:23-24; Matthew 5:48; Romans 8:6-9; 2 Timothy 3:14-16; 1 Peter 1:13-16; 1 John 3:22-24; Revelation 1:16.

7. Grow in Truth. Religions are much confused. False teachings and traditions abound, but so does Truth. Prove Truth from error by Yah's Word (2 Timothy 2:15) holding an open mind, thankful as old Truth is affirmed, falsehood is exposed, and more Truth is revealed. Psalms 55:1 through 56:8; 1 John 2:27.

8. Let Scripture prove all things. Some verses may be unclear, but Yahweh isn't the author of confusion (1 Corinthians 14:33). Human error may have crept into His Word (Jeremiah 8:8; Jude verses 3-4). This can be overcome by the Wisdom that comes from humble and diligent, Spirit-guided (1 John 2:27) study of the content, and both the mediate and immediate contexts, of a verse and other verses dealing with the same topic. Avoid "proof texting", the use of one Scripture to "prove" a point. Conclude a matter only with numerous clear and consistent Scriptural support. Deuteronomy 19:15; Matthew 18:16. Assumptions, inferences, the ambiguous, solitary, or non-Scriptural, must never override clear, emphatic, abundant and consistent Scripture.

9. Prove Yah's way is right. Apply right learning, then notice as your studies get more rewarding; "overcoming" gets easier; life improves. If you confess your Blessings to their Source, they will multiply. Psalm 95:1; Malachi 3:10; Ephesians 5:20; Hebrews 13:15.

10. Mark key verses/passages, note references. A marking system will ease finding Scriptures and topical references. Develop a system that works best for you: one color/symbol for the words of Yahweh; another for those of the prophets; marginal abbreviations of references, e.g., YLT (Young's Literal Translation).

11. Meditate and review. Meditate on the Scripture before you, its various meanings. Then review all the different ways it can be applied in your daily life. 1 Kings 19:12; Psalms 1:1-3, 119:97-99, 139:17-18; Romans 2:13; James 1:22.

12. Be cautious, yet familiar, with study aids. Commentaries and concordances, etc. are useful. Study-versions of the Scriptures are widespread. Yet, **BEWARE**, any aid is based on some human rendering which is partly discordant with Yahweh's Word. In all things be circumspect. Exodus 23:13; Proverbs 14:15; Ephesians 5:15-17.

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Women's Retreat in Michigan

On February 27, 2010 The Assembly of Yahweh hosted a Women's Retreat for the ladies who live in and around Michigan. A time of relaxing and fellowship for the ladies. A time and opportunity to meet and encourage ladies from Fellowships and Assemblies in and around Michigan. Strengthening existing bonds and building new ones.

The retreat was held at the Ramada in Lansing, MI. There were 22 women that stayed the night and 3 that came to visit. There were 4 different Sacred Name Assembly/ Fellowship groups represented.

After an opening meet and greet session and listening to a presentation on encouragement given by Beth Biggs, all the ladies enjoyed a dinner together by the pool area. The ladies then were able to either sit and fellowship around the tables or swim in the pool.

It was a late night for many, but also refreshing to be able to laugh with and talk to ladies that we do not see on a weekly basis.

After a delicious breakfast the ladies gathered in the meeting room where all joined in singing several worship songs accompanied by Theresa Wells and her autoharp. Evelyn Gentile then presented us with a talk about positive thinking. After the meeting closed, those who did not have to leave right away went out to lunch at a local restaurant.

Thank you to the Assembly of Yahweh in Eaton Rapids for hosting this time of rejuvenation and refreshment in the middle of winter and Yahweh willing this will be an annual event that all the ladies can look forward to.

Submitted by Beth Biggs

INCREASE

WANTED-MORE PRIESTS! In Yahshua Ha Mashiyach! Father Yah bless this message for all in Yahshua to see what your desire is for the true eternal kingdom of Mashiyach. Give us eyes to see and ears to hear, and hearts that are willing to accomplish your will, and fulfill your purpose for each and every one of our lives in Yahshua. Halleluyah!

I had been in prayer for some more Assemblies and people to come to salvation in Yahshua and I heard write it, so I am going to say what Yahshua has shown me to write. First off, let us see what it takes, to become a priest of Yahshua. Let's look at what Yah said about that very thing. 2 Timothy 4:1, I charge thee therefore before Yah, and the Master Yahshua, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; 4:2, Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

It is a truth that we all have a gift to share with the assemblies, some as ministers others as sheep, as we are all one of the three kinds of believers, chosen, called, or saved. But make no mistake we are all a part of a big picture that Yahweh our Father in Heaven has put together for His desire in the completion of Yahshua or as it says unity in the body of Yahshua.

Here is what Titus says about the leadership role. Titus 1:5-9: For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee: If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly. For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of Yahweh; not self willed, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre; But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, set-apart, temperate; Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.

But we know that it is a truth we all must become like Yahshua to become as one that walks in the authority and power over all things. That only comes about by learning the scriptures and doing as Yahshua did, as he said: Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. (John 14:12). He himself said that we will do greater works, because we will be able to minister for a longer period of time and with HIS guidance. You see we are HIS witnesses and in HIS Spiritual likeness.

He has the kingdom that will never end, and will always be a part of the Father as it is written in Revelation 21:22-23: And I saw no temple therein: for Yahweh El-Shaddai and the Lamb are the temple of it. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of Yah did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

So by HIS word we become as he has said we will become, some apostles, some prophets, some teachers, and some pastors. But all things are for the completion of the body of believers and perfecting of our being to become as Yahshua.

Here is some of what he says to teach and do. 1 Timothy 4:11-16: These things command and teach. Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

(Presbytery – 4244, 4245... three occurrences; AV translates as “elders” once, “estate of elders” once, and “presbytery” once. 1 body of elders, presbytery, senate, council. 1A of the Jewish elders. 1B of the elders of any body (assembly) of true believers in Yahshua.) Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all. Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

We have the strong desire for fellowship and companionship, and unity is the answer to perfected Assemblies. Here is the reason for the Assemblies as it is written in Ephesians 4:4-16: There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Master, one faith, one baptism, One Elohim and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. But unto every one of us is given favour according to the measure of the gift of the Messiah. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers: For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of the Messiah: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of Yah, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of the Messiah: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even the Messiah: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. For us to become filled with the true and complete love of Mashiyach Yahshua and be as he is that we may all be sons of Yahweh.

You see priests are set apart not just in Yah but in the way they are to be in this earth. That is why there are so many trials that go with being a priest. I say priest as in a minister of Yahshua, one who is called and sent by Yahshua to conquer evil and bring many of those in death out of her into life, by HIS power and might working through us to obtain the victory over all circumstances.

And why, do you say? Because of the facts and reasons in 2 Timothy 2:1-26: Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the favour that is in Yahshua the Messiah. And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Yahshua the Messiah. No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier. And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully. The husbandman that laboureth must be first partaker of the fruits. Consider what I say; and Yah give thee understanding in all things. Remember that Yahshua the Messiah of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my evangel: Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; but the word of Yah is not bound. Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Yahshua the Messiah with eternal glory. It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him: If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us: If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself. Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before Yah that they strive not about

words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers. Study to shew thyself approved unto Yahweh, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more wickedness. And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some. Nevertheless the foundation of Yah standeth sure, having this seal, Yah knoweth them that are his. And, let every one that nameth the name of the Messiah depart from iniquity. But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work. Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on Yah out of a pure heart. But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. And the servant of Yahweh must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if Yah peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

You see verses 25-26 are the reason for the mighty hand of Yah working so hard on our behalf, and so we can become sanctified and holy without blame before Him in Love. Priests are vessels that are given the gifts and Anointing by Yahshua to set others free from their oppression and hardships. Remember Yahshua ministered to those that were in need and broken, and unable to free themselves. He was an advocate of the poor and needy, the people that had been oppressed and spiritually deprived, and in lack. That is why we need more anointed Yahshua ministers/priests. To bring people into real truth, not lies ... but the truth of Yah and love and hope in the real Mashiyach the true and real Anointed Savior Yahshua, so that all those people do not perish. Those ...who believe lies are deceived and are going to perish because they refuse to see the truth because of doctrinal up bringing, and wrong practices of the scriptures. I also say they do not know the real savior.

How will they hear without a priest/minister or as it is written in Romans 10:14: How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? That is why Yahshua is calling more priests/ministers/preachers of Yahshua that want to be anointed and follow HIM, and raise up assemblies that have the Spirit and mighty moves of Yahweh! [And how shall they preach, except they be sent? Romans 10:15]. Bless Yah, in the name of Yahshua Ha Mashiyach!

Bill Jackson

When the imperfect world has brought you to your knees,
You are now in position to pray to the perfect one:

Yahshua The Messiah

Russell Medina

CONQUERING TRIBULATION

As a believer there is a great struggle within us every day! This struggle is between two natures; the fleshly nature and the spiritual nature. “For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.” (Galatians 5:17).

These struggles are known as tribulation; SRN #6862 – TSAR, which means adversary, afflicted, anguish, close, distress, enemy, flint, foe, narrow, small, sorrow, straight, tribulation, trouble.

All those words mean one thing – hardship. However, Yahweh sees tribulation as an experience that tests one’s endurance, patience and faith. “Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.” (James 1:3). This is where Yahweh weeds out the ordinary believer from the overcoming believer. “Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Yahshua is the Son of Elohim?” (1 John 5:5). “...To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life,”... (Revelation 2:7).

So what are you? What will you do in times of tribulation? Will you fall away (Luke 8:13) or bring forth fruit with patience (Luke 8:15), by putting on the whole armor of Yahweh that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the world (Ephesians 6:11).

These battles won’t be easy, but this is how Yahweh teaches us and shapes us into an overcomer. We must not fear these sufferings because Yahweh knows where we are weak and He will never burden us with trials we cannot handle. “There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but Elohim is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.” (1 Corinthians 10:13).

In fact, James 1:2 tells us to count it all joy when you fall into divers temptations. Sure, joy will be the last thing we feel, but we are told not to grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap, if we do not lose heart (Galatians 6:9). However, Proverbs 24:10 says, If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.

Ask yourself, “Where lies my strength?” As an overcoming believer your strength should be in Yahshua who said, “...My grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness. ...” (2 Corinthians 12:9). Yahshua is our strength and as long as we go to Him for strength, we won’t be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to Yahweh (Philippians 4:6); because He cares for you (1 Peter 5:7); and will give you rest (Matthew 11:28).

In closing, if you are facing tribulation of some sort you will conquer it by going to Yahshua in prayer and in the Word. That’s right, it’s that easy! Pray every day (Hebrews 4:16). Read the Bible every day (Colossians 3:16). Feed and encourage the Spiritual nature (Colossians 3:10-14). Confess your sins to Yahweh (Psalm 32:5)....

With all these you will receive strength and comfort to endure all temptation. **“Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which Yahweh hath promised to them that love him.” (James 1:12). Praise Yah!**

Food for thought – 1 Corinthians 9:22, “To the weak became I as weak, that I might win (gain) the weak:”

Yahweh is your shield, He is your refuge, in Him you are secure.

In Yahshua, Dustin Kasik

THE TITLES EL & ELOHIM

Good or Bad?

By Voy Wilks

Are the titles **El** and **Elohim** acceptable in referring to Yahweh, the Most High? I respectfully call to your attention the following thoughts:

The most ancient manuscripts of the Hebrew Bible, dating to the first or second century before Yahshua's birth, refer to the Supreme Being by the titles EL and Elohim. Therefore to claim that late scholars (Jewish or Gentile), added these titles is unfounded.

Thousands of times throughout the Sacred Writings (the Bible) Yahweh is referred to by the titles El and Elohim; by the Fathers (Abraham, Isaac and Jacob), by the judges, by the Prophets, by the Apostles, by Yahshua the Messiah and, of more importance, by Yahweh Himself. This indicates these titles are wholesome and, by using them we bestow greater honor upon Yahweh the Most High.

True, there was a Canaanite g-d by the NAME OF EL. But this was after the fact. Yahweh, the Most High El claimed this TITLE (NOT A NAME) 1700 YEARS BEFORE THERE WERE ANY Canaanites. These titles were Yahweh's choice, therefore we must not alter them (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 12:32; Proverbs 30:6; Revelation 22:18).

Yahweh commanded Jacob to go to Beth-El, and there worship EL (Genesis 35:1).

Take the prophet – one of Yahweh's greatest, yet his name was EL-iyah. Did the Most High Yahweh demand that the prophet change his name? No. Instead, Yahweh performed wonderful deeds through EL-iyah the prophet. The same is true of Dani-EL, the prophet. Yahweh did not demand, or even request, that he change his name.

Yahshua the Messiah honored EL-iyah (by that name) as a great prophet (Matthew 11:14).

When asked about the commandments of Yahweh, Yahshua the Messiah quoted the Shema, speaking of Yahweh as "our Elohim" (Mark 12:29, Deuteronomy 6:4). Since Yahweh was Yahshua's Elohim, why not join good company, and make Yahweh **our Elohim** as well. To claim EL-ohim is a vile title is to imply that Yahshua Himself was a vile person (a sinner). If Yahshua sinned, then He could not have been the Messiah.

On that certain day of Pentecost long ago the Apostles were **filled with the Holy** [set apart] **Spirit** and did astonishing things (Acts 2). This included the Apostle Peter. A few days later, still filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 3:1-13), the Apostle Peter spoke favorably of the Prophet Samu-EL, calling him by name (Acts 3:24). He did not substitute for the prophet Samu-EL some name of his own choosing, as some do today.

The Apostle Paul also wrote in a favorable way about the prophet, calling him by name, Samu-EL (Heb. 11:32). Samu-EL is honored as a prophet and judge in Israel.

The name **Israel** – Yahweh himself gave this name (**Isra-EL**) to Jacob, as a more fitting name (Genesis 32:28). Who are we to disagree with the most High?

Summary

It is a misguided devotion, trying to separate Yahweh from the titles **El** and **Elohim**; titles He chose for Himself in the very beginning; 1,700 years before there were any Canaanites, therefore 1,700 years before there existed a Canaanite g-d by the name of EL (Genesis 1:1, 2:4, 10:18).

In quoting the Shema, Yahshua declared Yahweh to be **our Elohim** (Mark 12:29).

Yahweh himself commanded Jacob to go to Bethel and build an altar to **EL** (Genesis 35:1).

The titles **El** and **Elohim** were good enough for Yahweh, so they should be good enough for us.

In Memoriam

Voy Wilks – born December 17, 1920 in Hedley, Texas, passed from this life March 14, 2010, surrounded by his family. Voy's family legacy includes 5 children (Beth, Ruth, Farris, Alva and Dan), 42 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren. Voy was preceded in death by his beloved friend and wife of fifty-eight years, Myrtle. They were always united in their efforts to raise their family right. In his later years, Voy was blessed to have the love and companionship of his second wife, Sue.

Throughout Voy's life he was a man of integrity, honesty, faithfulness, humbleness, and laughter. His life was based on the Bible in every way, and he taught each one of his children the morals and values that he lived by. He never intended to become the pastor of a congregation, but he also never stepped away from his duty to be the spiritual leader of his family. Because of the dedication to his beliefs, Voy and family kept the seventh day Sabbath in their home for many years with occasional guests and visitors. In 1980 they had grown enough to begin building an assembly for weekly Sabbath services. The Wilks family along with the other members of their growing group would meet every other Sunday to work on the assembly building until its completion around 1982.

Voy's knowledge of the Scriptures was surpassed by few people. He wrote many religious tracts and papers covering a myriad of subjects. His children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren have a rich heritage and a shining example to live up to. Voy was a blessing to his family and the many friends who knew him.

Elder Voy always extended his hand of friendship and hospitality to those from various and many assemblies. He truly was a great Elder and example. Many of us would say he fulfilled the office of a Bishop according to Titus 1 (not self-willed, not soon angry, a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, temperate, etc.). We see many parallels of Voy's ministry in the text of Isaiah 61:1-6 (...But ye shall be named the Priests of Yahweh: men shall call you the Ministers of our Elohim:).

He will be greatly missed, but each of us is thankful for the many wonderful memories we have of him. He was truly one of a kind.

"...As for me and my house, we will serve Yahweh." Joshua 24:15



YAHSHUA'S JEWELS

Contributions from Yahshua's Young People

"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." (1 Tim 4:12)

THE WAY WE TREAT YAHWEH

The way we treat Yahweh, we don't do what he asks, we lie, we steal, and we don't do his commandments. This is the bad way we treat Yahweh. We don't want to go to the Kingdom of Yah when we do all of these bad things. So let us all do what he asks; don't lie, don't steal, do his commandments and most of all have a true heart that way we can go to the Kingdom of Yah. Treat him like a tree planted by the river and with love.

☺ Joshua R., Age 8, Canada

Bless ye Yahweh. Bless ye Yahweh oh my soul. Bless ye Yahweh.

Give instruction to a wise man and he will be yet wiser...
(Proverbs 9:9)

☺ Justin R., Age 6, Canada

VERSE OF ENCOURAGEMENT:

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

REMEMBER TO SHINE FOR YAHSHUA!!!



YOU ARE SPECIAL TO HIM AND HE LOVES YOU BIG TIME!!

WORD FUN

Yahshua's Jewels (young people) are his sparkling gems and they are very special to him. They shine with some of these awesome qualities. Try and find them all.

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JOY	FAITH	PERSEVERANCE	THANKFUL
LOVE	RIGHTEOUSNESS	BELIEVE	PRAISE
PEACE	PATIENCE	HUMBLE	WISE
SHINE	KIND	FORGIVING	SPECIAL

We welcome contributions from Yahshua's young people. Please send your contribution be it a poem, verse or inspiration with your name (first name and last initial), age and country to yahshuasjewels@yahoo.ca. Please keep in mind that not all contributions can be published.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!!

Yahweh's Vineyard of Refuge

Ex-Prisoner Ministry and Men's Home

Introducing a way to keep the recently released ex-felon from going astray from Yahweh's laws. Many Sacred Name Ministries have spent much time and money sending booklets and tracts into various detention centers around the USA and abroad. Many of our ordained ministers have visited these same facilities, baptizing in the saving Name of Yahshua, our Messiah. After all these efforts, it would seem multitudes of ex-felons would continue in the Faith.

Not so, only a few make it in the outside world after being released. Drugs, alcohol, and adverse living situations are just some of the downfalls of these once dedicated men. Yahweh's Vineyard of Refuge (YVR) exists to change the odds. Through a righteous living environment, intense Biblical study, and Yahweh's agape love and set-apart Spirit, we can make a difference in these men's lives.

Located in Rolla, Missouri, YVR has begun these efforts of taking the Sacred Name (SN) believer who, in prison, showed an unwavering fervor for Yahweh's truth. They can only enter our program through a comprehensive screening, as well as a referral from a SN minister. Please refer these applicants to your local minister, and they can telephone us at 573-201-9337 (ask for Barrie Wittrock).

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Without your prayers and generous donations this program could fail. Donations could include monetary gifts, appliances, clothes, food, musical instruments or anything Yahweh leads you to give. **YOU** can make a difference in these men's lives. Also, please visit our website at www.YahwehsVineyard.org; and our mailing address is P.O. Box 595, Rolla, Missouri 65402. Shalom.

THE 26TH ANNUAL UNITY CONFERENCE

The 2010 Unity Conference is scheduled for

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At the Assembly of Yahweh

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The first meeting starts at 9:00 a.m. Friday, July 30. There will be regular Sabbath Services at 10:30 a.m., with the Conference coming to a close after lunch on Sunday, August 1. If you have a subject you wish to present, send one copy to: Samuel Graham, at 1020 Scout Road, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827, at least one month before the Conference and bring 75 plus copies with you to distribute. For more information call: 517 663-3724.

All brethren of good will are invited to attend.

Nourishing the Body Yahweh's Way

“I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.” Psalm 139:14 (The Word of Yahweh)

We have a marvelous self-healing body for we are fearfully and wonderfully made. This is a fact since “The Word of Yahweh” says so. In order for us to enjoy good health and be joyfully productive, we must stop doing the things that create toxicity and deficiency. We need to make a commitment to follow the dictates of Yahweh, the Creator of our bodies. I challenge the readers to do what the Scriptures advocate regarding eating foods, praying, fasting, and thinking.

Beginning with Genesis 1:29, Yahweh plainly indicates what should be our food. “And Elohim said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.” Verse 30, “And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.”

The original diet Yahweh gave to mankind and non-mankind consisted of herbs that produced seeds and the fruit of the trees which produced seeds. It was after the flood that man was instructed to eat meat. The Scriptures tell us that we must not eat the fat of animals nor the blood. Note in Genesis 1:30 that even the animals that we eat should be grass fed and not grain fed.

Yahweh provides a variety of wild edibles for us to eat. However, we have virtually ignored these superior foods in favor of poor quality man-produced vegetables. Some of the wild edibles that we should be consuming are cleavers, dandelions, chickweed, plantain, lambs quarters, pigweed and nettles. All of them provide chlorophyll which helps to cleanse the body of toxins accumulated during the winter. Additionally, cleavers are beneficial for the lymphatic system; dandelions are food for the liver, our major organ of detoxification; chickweed helps the body to eliminate excess fat; and nettles provide the highest source of chlorophyll in the plant kingdom. These wild edibles are available in the spring and summer and can be used in salads, smoothies, cooked like spinach and used for teas. During the early summer lambs quarters, pigweed, and purslane become plentiful and can also be cooked like spinach or used in salads and smoothies.

Let us eat more food from Yahweh's Garden, the wild edibles. We will be consuming more nutritious, economical foods which might eventually become our survival foods.

Hiawatha Cromer, Director
Assembly of Yahweh Wellness Center

[What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which ye have of Yahweh, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore honor Elohim in your body. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20]

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	FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD APRIL 1 through APRIL 7	
	FEAST (appointment) OF WEEKS MAY 21 See Leviticus 23:10, 11, 15, 16, 21	
	FEAST (appointment) OF TRUMPETS SEPTEMBER 11	
	DAY (appointment) OF ATONEMENT SEPTEMBER 20	
	FEAST OF TABERNACLES (Booths or Huts) SEPTEMBER 25 through OCTOBER 1	
	LAST GREAT DAY OCTOBER 2	
Jan. 17 Feb. 16 Mar. 18 Apr. 16 May 16 June 14 July 13 (Borderline) Aug. 12 Sept. 11 Oct. 10 Nov. 8 Dec. 8		April 1 April 7 May 21 Sept. 11 Sept. 20 Sept. 25 Oct. 2 7 days in all – the number of completeness

Begin YAHWEH's days with the sunset preceding the indicated Roman days lasting till the next sunset.

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The Passing of Elder Jacob O. Meyer

Elder Jacob O. Meyer, 75, of Bethel Township, PA, passed away on April 9, 2010, surrounded by his wife Ruth, his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Jacob O. Meyer was president, bishop and directing elder of the Assemblies of Yahweh, a religious organization and ministry he founded in 1966 with the Sacred Name Radio Broadcast.

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