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#### **For Your Consideration**

**FAITH** – Romans 10:17 – So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of Yahweh.

**REPENTANCE** – Luke 13:3 – I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

**CONFESSION** – Matthew 10:32 – Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

**BAPTISM** – Acts 22:16 – And now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of The Sovereign.

**LIVE A [YAHLIKE] LIFE** – Romans 12 (whole chapter) – I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of Elohim, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy (kodesh), acceptable unto Elohim, which is your reasonable service (Romans 12:1).

Submitted by John Mark Dillon

## Contending for The Faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. Jude 3

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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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#### **Editorial**

#### **GREAT EVENTS**

The body of Yahshua is getting ready for a great event that Yahweh has given to Israel, The Feast of Tabernacles (Succoth). This feast we are asked to invite the strangers in to help celebrate the harvest. Actually, two harvests — one our crops/garden harvest and the most important harvest we can be a part of — the harvest of mankind preparing to meet our Savior Yahshua the Messiah.

In ancient times believers made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem to keep Yahweh's feasts. Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Sovereign Yahweh (Exodus 23:17). Apostle Paul said in Acts 18:21, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem. At this present time (2009) we can keep the Feast in Jerusalem or wherever Yahweh has placed His Name.

The main point is that Yahweh desires Israel to keep His appointed times, whether in Jerusalem or wherever scattered Israel worships Yahweh.

Back to the harvest of men's souls -1 Corinthians 1:24, But unto them which are called ... Verse 30 – But of him are ye in the Messiah Yahshua, who of Yahweh is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption. Yahshua came to seek and to save the lost sheep (believers) of the house of Israel. Remember the words in Matthew 6:33 (and Luke 12:31) – But seek ye first His kingdom and righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Before any harvest seed has to be sowed (planted). If we want to be Yahshua's helpers in the great harvest of mankind, we need to sow good seed, seeds of truth (not watered down), straight from Yahweh, the set apart Scriptures, The Word of Yahweh. Read the parables in Matthew chapter 13. While good seed was growing the evil one came and sowed tares among the wheat, and when the blade was sprung up and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. Rather than gathering up the tares which might root up the wheat also, both were allowed to grow together until the harvest. At the time of the harvest the tares were gathered together, bound in bundles to burn and the wheat gathered into the barn.

Do we want to be a part of this great harvest of mankind? Will we step up to the task before us and declare the whole counsel of Yahweh from Genesis to Revelation. When we read the first chapter of Revelation what does it say? Whose revelation is it? The Revelation of Yahshua the Messiah, which Elohim gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; ... Verse 7 – Behold he cometh with clouds, and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him.

Dearly beloved, it is time to warn our neighbors, our families, our loved ones, that it is high time to get right with Yahweh and His son Yahshua. We also must search our hearts to see if we have wronged anyone and apologize, make redemption, ask for forgiveness, etc. This is part of that free gift of salvation; we are set free, our conscious is clear.

Remember the example in Luke chapter 19, how salvation came to the house of Zacchaeus? How when Yahshua saw him in the sycamore tree he said, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house. Verse 8 – And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Master; Behold, Master, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.

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Then in Verse 9 – And Yahshua said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. We also can spread this good news; help our fellow sojourner; and point them to Yahshua and Yahweh.

Isaiah 55, Verse 1: Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, ... Verse 3: Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. Verses 6-7: Seek ye Yahweh while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto Yahweh, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our Elohim, for he will abundantly pardon. See also John 7:37-38: In the last day, that great day of the feast, Yahshua stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

One of the keys to the Kingdom is forgiveness. Have we wronged someone in our lifetime? Do we need to ask for forgiveness? What are we waiting for? The quicker we get this done, the better person we become. Hebrews 12:1 comes to mind. Therefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight (Strong's #3591 – a mass as bending or bulging by its load; burden, weight, hindrance), and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us. Verse 2: Looking unto Yahshua the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the torture stake, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of Elohim.

If we want to qualify for Yahshua's bride class and wear those robes of righteousness (Revelation 7:9: ...a great multitude ... clothed with white robes; Verse 14: ... these are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb), it is time to draw closer to our Savior for time is of the essence.

A Servant, Pastor Samuel A. Graham

#### **More Baptisms**

Many more believers are being called to be baptized into the name of our Shepherd, Yahshua's flock. The first to be baptized in 2009 was Judith Coldros, who was immersed in Lake Weir, Florida, while Pastor Sam and Connie were visiting family. The last day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread Daniel and Tamara Cross, Ronald Adamus and Stuart Clarke (Canada) were immersed on a wonderfully sunny, warm day in April. In mid-May Sharon Wedge was baptized. The following eleven were baptized during the Feast of Weeks/Pentecost: Darren Clarke and Teodora Gugliotta (both of Canada); Allan Todd Palmer and his children Kassandra, Scott, Nathan and Joseph; Joshua and Sabine Massera and their sons Samuel and Jeremiah. In July Richard White was immersed. Sherry Hannitt and Dennis Brunner were immersed August 29. We welcome our new brothers and sisters who have joined us in the Family of Yahweh.

Submitted by L. Saling

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#### **SALVATION - HOW?**

#### Sin

- 1. Why do we have such pollution, sickness, accidents, death in war, adultery, poisonous spraying to prevent wormy fruit, deformed babies, and loss of respect, etc.? Deuteronomy 28:15. Read the rest of this chapter to see the curses.
- 2. How can we receive blessings instead of curses? Deuteronomy 28:1-2, Exodus 15:26. Read of blessings in Deuteronomy 28:3-14, Leviticus 26:1-13.
- 3. In our curses of pollution and bombs, etc., will man bring about complete destruction of life on the earth? Matthew 24:22.
- 4. What is the name for disobedience to Yahweh's law? 1 John 3:4.
- 5. How many of us have sinned (broken Yahweh's law)? Romans 3:23, Isaiah 53:6. Ecclesiastes 7:20.
- 6. What is the end result of sin? Romans 6:23.
- 7. Is there a hope (for all of us) to be saved from eternal death? What must be done? 2 Peter 3:9, Luke 13:3, Acts 17:24-30. The word "perish" in 2 Peter 3:9 is translated from the same Greek word as "lost" in John 17:12; the meaning is: to destroy fully (See Strong's Concordance).

Note: We see that man suffers because of disobeying Yahweh's law. Transgression of the law is called sin. All have sinned. Sin brings death. No one need perish forever if he repents.

#### Repentance

- 1. How many (comparatively) will repent, and be saved from eternal death? Matthew 7:14.
- 2. What is one thing Yahshua did; and with what kind of people? Matthew 9:13.
- 3. What does a person become at the time of repentance? Acts 3:19. See Strong's Concordance or a dictionary for the meaning of "converted." What is another descriptive word for these people? Revelation 2:7, 17, 26; 3:5, 12; 21:7. What do they overcome?
- 4. What leads us to repentance? Romans 2:4.
- 5. What is the great law (main set of rules) that Yahshua shows are being kept by those that inherit eternal life? Matthew 19:16-19. Paul also indicates this law in Romans 7:7. You may read all these Ten Commandments in Exodus, chapter 20.
- 6. If we repent and begin to obey Yahweh, may we repeatedly, willfully, return to sin and again repent? Hebrews 6:1-6, 10:26; Luke 9:62.
- 7. What else is a repented sinner to do? Acts 2:38, Romans 6.

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Note: A repentant person realizes that he has sinned against the Almighty Creator of the universe. He is sorry for his sins. He repents (thinks differently) and desires to (indeed, begins to) obey his supreme heavenly Father, Yahweh.

#### **Baptism**

- 1. Why are we to be baptized? Acts 2:38, John 3:5. Baptize means to make whelmed, wholly cover with a fluid, immerse.
- 2. Was Yahshua baptized? Matthew 3:13-16. Are we to follow His example? 1 Peter 2:21.
- 3. In what name are we to be baptized? Acts 2:38, 19:5; Matthew 28:19. The name is "Yahshua." He is messiah, master, son, savior, lamb, etc; but His name is "Yahshua..."
- 4. How many names are there whereby we must be saved? Acts 4:10-12. Into whom are we baptized? Romans 6:3.
- 5. Does our burial in water represent another burial? Romans 6:3-5, Colossians 2:12.
- 6. What part of us is to remain buried (destroyed)? Romans 6:6, 11; Colossians 3:9.
- 7. Yahshua was raised to a new life. Should we also? Romans 6:4; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:15; Ephesians 4:22-24; Colossians 3:10; 1 Peter 4:1-3.

Note: Romans 6:4: Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as the Messiah was raised up from the dead by the majesty of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

#### **Love and The Commandments**

- 1. What are the Ten Commandments? Exodus 20:3-17.
- 2. Did Yahshua come to abolish the law? Matthew 5:16-20. In fact, He magnified the law. Verses 21-22, 27-28.
- 3. What did Yahshua tell the man to do if he would have eternal life? Matthew 19:16-19. Who have right to the tree of life? Revelation 22:14.
- 4. Are the Commandments grievous, or are they a royal law of love and liberty? 1 John 5:3; James 2:8; John 14:15; 1 John 2:3-5; 2 John 6: James 1:25, 2:12.
- 5. Whom did Yahshua say to love? Matthew 22:37-39. What is yet hanging on these two laws? Verse 40. Does Yahweh also love us? John 3:16.
- 6. What must we do so we will not believe lies, and perish? 2 Thessa. 2:10-11.
- 7. What helps us obey Yahweh, and keep His Commandments? John 14:16-17, 26; 1 John 4:13; John 15:26, 16:13; 1 John 2:27.

Note: Keeping the first four of the Ten Commandments, specially shows our love for Yahweh. Keeping the last six of the Ten Commandments, specially shows our love for our fellow man. This is in perfect agreement with what Yahshua said in Matthew 22:37-40. The word "iniquity" means "violation of law" in Matthew 7:23, 13:41, 23:28, 24:12; Romans 6:19; 2 Thessalonians 2:7; Titus 2:14; Hebrews 1:9.

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#### The Adventures of Alex Jay in India - 11 July 2009



It's Alex checking in to let you know how things are going over here in Andhra Pradesh, a state in East India, where I am 'school sitting' for 5 months. Should you have an atlas, I am in West Godavari District near the towns of Palakol and Vijayawada. It's probably 20 miles to the Bay of Bengal. This is a well-watered tropical area; I am surrounded by rice fields and stands of coconut, palm and banana trees. But the people are generally very poor; the average wage for a laborer is about 3 dollars (150 rupees) per day. Most of the children go barefoot and tuition must be kept artificially low so that they can attend

the school, which is called the Assembly of Yahweh (A.Y.) English Medium School. Their homes are usually simple huts with roofs of thatched coconut and palm leaves.

Meanwhile, I am trying to hold things together in Brother Tony Suckla's absence; he founded the school almost 10 years ago in his home; it now has almost 300 students, ranging in age from 3 to 14 years. He will be returning soon after Tabernacles and I will be returning to my family in Pennsylvania. This has been quite an adventure for me.

India is full of idols. There are several shrines with hideous gods in them in every village; the gods are in masonry buildings with metal grates around them so that as you pass by you can see the worshipers bowing down and worshiping the idols. Incense and candles are involved, and loud music blaring from loudspeakers is common. May Yahweh have mercy! Many are painted gold and some of the shrines are very ornate. Canaan must have been like that when Yahweh sent the Israelites in to purge the land.

I'm down here at about 16 degrees North latitude; definitely in the tropics. It is disorienting having the sun pass directly overhead: The concrete electric poles cast no shadows at noon. The monsoons will soon cool things off; meanwhile, I am trying to adapt to the heat. It's hard to get much done unless you can work under a ceiling fan and the power happens to be on. The British managed by drinking lots of hot tea. Unlike their countrymen back home, they could drink it fresh. Me, I drink lots and lots of filtered water and drink fresh beet juice with alfalfa powder in it every morning to keep from getting dehydrated and de-mineralized. Then there's locally grown brown rice and the wonderful fresh mangoes, pineapples, bananas and papayas that are so abundant. And fresh coconut juice, right out of the shell... there's a delicacy! I eat very well here.

As you may know, Brother Tony had to leave India since his 10 year visa was expiring. Besides, he hadn't seen his mother in 10 years. She lives in Texas near Dallas. Tony has several other ministries going besides the school, including training and supporting a group of pastors and translating the Bible and other Sacred Name literature into Telugu, the local language here in Andhra Pradesh. Keeping the pastors in line and the various translation projects have been delegated to other people; my duties are limited to the school.

Telugu is a pleasant language to listen to and has a gorgeous alphabet, full of loops and curls, but it's pretty hard for me to learn. It's interesting to me that babies have an easier time learning languages than adults do. The moral: Learn as many languages as you can before you turn two.

School started on June 15: A handful of us kept very busy getting things ready for that Big Day when about 200 bright-eyed students showed up. My job is to teach English and keep the school running, i.e., hand out lots of cash. Do I look like an ATM machine?

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There were blackboards and walls to paint, books to purchase, all kinds of things to fix, and in the evenings we would go to various villages to recruit students. Some are Christian, most are from Hindu families; Their parents make great sacrifices so that their children can learn English and develop computer skills. Meanwhile, the children will all enthusiastically recite the 10 Commandments and Yahshua's Our Father prayer every morning in English and again in Telugu at the afternoon dismissal service. They sing songs of praise to Yahweh and learn about the Salvation Yahshua has provided. Most of the children come on Sabbath to learn about Yahweh and sing lots of songs. The school is a very productive ministry. The children are wonderful; very respectful and eager.

Meanwhile, Tony had to leave while two major construction projects were in full swing; a smaller school administration building, including a kitchen, is now completed and fully functional. The large classroom building is progressing: Work is slow since everything is masonry. In India, lumber is very expensive and hard to get so they use bricks and lots of concrete. Hopefully the big classroom building will be ready to move into sometime in August. Masons are constructing a parapet around the edge of the big flat roof to make it Torah-compliant (Deuteronomy 22:8). Here in India, that particular command makes complete sense; most buildings have flat roofs that serve many functions and are used heavily.

Keeping the transportation system going is pretty challenging. There are the two buses to keep running and three drivers to keep in line, and the bumpy roads really take a toll on things mechanical. The rainy monsoon season is coming; this will add the mud factor to transporting the children. The big bus Tony purchased last summer, with its new paint job, seems to run fine and holds about 70 children but needs new seats. The smaller bus that served the school well last year is still running well but will probably have to be replaced with a larger bus soon. Besides the two buses there is a three-wheeled diesel contraption called an auto to pick children up; it holds about 20 and can go on some of the roads that would be impassable for the buses. Vehicles in India are remarkably simple; they all run on diesel and have manual transmissions and only a handful of wires under the hood. Parts are cheap and easy to get; most repairs seem to cost between four dollars (200 rupees) and ten dollars (500 rupees). Indian mechanics are very resourceful.

Some of the villages the children come from are very remote and hard to get to. The roads in this area are very challenging; narrow and crowded and full of potholes, besides oxcarts, pedestrians, bicycles, rickshaws, motorcycles, cows, and trucks (called lorries). These all move at different rates, and the pedestrians tend to favor the middle of the road since the edge of the road is often the community bathroom. Driving in India is pretty chaotic, a real test of nerves.

Until the big new building is finished, most of the classes meet in the upstairs of the newly completed administration building; it has a roof but most of the sides are open to the air. The little children in nursery school and kindergarten are still crammed into the old school, waiting anxiously for the new building to be ready.

Several monkeys came through and tore up the clay tiles on the roof of the old school (which Tony rents); hopefully the roof, which has since been fixed, will not leak when the monsoon rains start. Monkeys are really destructive, especially if they get into a house. Admittedly, they are truly amazing to watch as they jump between coconut trees, traveling through the tall treetops with great leaps. The Hindu worshipers recently held a big festival nearby to worship their monkey gods; big clusters of ripe bananas were placed around the worship area and troops of drummers would march around all night long making as much noise as they could. But there is a difference between monkeys

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(which they hate and chase away with sticks) and monkey gods, which they idolize and worship. Tony has a pellet gun which I used on the night the school roof was torn up; it was getting dark and I am a poor shot so I doubt I hit any monkeys. Nasty animals; I hope they stay away.

I have been here about seven weeks. The heat is rough on me; I get heat rashes on my arms and torso. I am getting used to the spicy Indian food and have had no digestive problems, a huge relief. Of course I am constantly homesick for my family, but it is a great privilege to be able to serve Yahweh here, almost half way around the world.

Almost all marriages in India are arranged; they have a remarkably low divorce rate. Pastor Arthur Rose, who has spent about forty years in India, says that he never had to do any marriage counseling. Unlike the American custom, when a son marries he and his wife will often live with his parents and share the expenses and chores, a mutually beneficial arrangement. There are no appliances here to speak of except for televisions, which grace even the humblest of huts.

It's about the children. They are sweet and wonderful, very respectful and pleasant. They love to sing Yahweh's praises and to learn about salvation through Yahshua. Every day more children sign up for the school; I am trying to hire more teachers so that class sizes can be smaller. At this point enrollment is approaching 300, with more students joining every week. A lot of work and money is involved, especially during construction, but it's worth it when you hear hundreds of children praising Yahweh. As they grow older, will they turn from idols? Time will tell. Please pray for Tony's school...

#### Volunteers Needed in India

Tony Suckla would welcome volunteers to teach the English language to the Indian Children in India (volunteers from India, the United States or anywhere in the world) – similar to the foreign exchange student program.

If interested contact Tony Suckla at the following addresses, phone numbers, or e-mail addresses.

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#### 1 John 3:16

Hereby perceive we love, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. Tony Suckla and Alex Jay are fine examples of believers laying down their lives for their fellow man.

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#### **UNITY CONFERENCE REPORT – 2009**

The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Unity Conference was held at Yahweh's Assembly in Messiah, Rocheport, Missouri, from Friday, July 31, through Sunday, August 2, 2009. For the first time (in the writer's knowledge) since its inception, Pastor Sam Graham was unable to attend due to having a hip replacement. He was greatly missed by all and was in the prayers for a quick recovery. In his absence, Elder Pete Vacca of Rocheport was the moderator and scheduler. Elder Vacca did an excellent job of running the Conference, making certain the speakers (both presenters and Q/A participants) kept to the time allotted.

There seemed to be two primary issues at this year's conference which stood out throughout the weekend although other topics were addressed as well. The first issue was the "outreach" efforts being addressed by several assemblies worldwide. All of these efforts would appreciate financial assistance as well as people who may want to participate.

Tony Suckla has been living in India for ten years now and is back in the United States for six months. Alex Jay of Pennsylvania is filling in for him in India while he is here. Tony has been doing extensive missionary work there including keeping a school in operation despite many obstacles he encounters. Hindi is the national language; people in his area speak Telugu. The Bible has been translated into Telugu but most of it is in the process of being proofed which is very time-consuming. In addition, they do not have dependable power except in spurts. One was with 10 books in it—the first five books of the old and the new covenants. Out of 1,000 books, 800 were either sold or distributed. He showed many pictures of the area.

Peter Kihara, of Nairobi, Kenya spoke, along with Jake Meyer and Jerry Healan of the missionary efforts in Kenya. He had a picture presentation of the efforts in Kenya. Peter sang two songs in Swahili, which is the national language. Peter showed pictures of the automobile which the assemblies helped to purchase and now requests assistance to purchase land for the extension of the assembly hall. They also have a Swahili Sacred Names Bible which is in CD format presently. He showed the Vision of MAY [Messianic Assemblies of Yahweh] East Africa.

Back in the United States, Elder Pete Vacca, Darrell Whitfield and Barry Wittrock spoke on the prison ministries in Arkansas, Missouri and this was added to by other participants regarding other areas of the United States. Barry Wittrock who is with Yahweh's Vineyard of Refuge spoke extensively on a project he is involved with pertaining to a halfway house for prisoners who are released. This effort is located in Rolla, Missouri, and they have found a property ideal for building a halfway house but they need assistance in doing so. Yahweh's Vineyard of Refuge is in the process of obtaining 501(c)(3) status. Barry handed out information on this effort and it was encouraged that anyone interested contact Yahweh's Vineyard of Refuge. One comment which was made and should hit home on many fronts is that the halfway houses which exist now (many of which are Christian-oriented) teach lawlessness to a lawless group, which is probably a really good reason they do not work. They ARE a lawless bunch so they go back to their "lawlessness."

The other primary "thread" that I noticed during the Conference was Yahweh's Law and the necessity of adherence to it.

Elder Hector Castillo spoke regarding how we need to be as Bereans when we hear something new and, instead of putting it down, search to prove that what we are hearing is true. The Heavenly Father is in charge and as Daniel says, in the end times, wisdom will increase and he was referring to knowledge of our Heavenly Father and putting forth the message of salvation. He teaches Torah extensively in their assembly in Sterling, Illinois. We are part of an awesome covenant and we must not forget it and we must teach it to our children. Following his presentation, there was some discussion on the sacrificial aspects

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of the law and Elder Castillo pointed out that Paul was keeping a practice given in the Old Covenant in the temple and if you study that—it was an animal sacrifice pertaining to a Nazarite vow.

Elder George Garner handed out a document entitled Galatians 5:18 and expounded on it somewhat going into how the offspring we leave will be blessed if we teach and abide by His words. If we follow His instructions, we will be doing just that. Many of Paul's scriptures make man want to turn from Yahweh's law which we know cannot be correct. A sinful person is an unspiritual person—when you walk in the law of Yahweh it is a form of spirituality. The law gives and teaches spirituality. Keeping the commandments is what allows you to reach out and eat from the tree of life. An excellent comment made by Elder Garner was this: You cannot GAIN salvation from adherence to the law. However, DISOBEDIENCE to the law can keep you from getting it.

Elder Dwayne Wilson gave a "PowerPoint" presentation on "It Takes Time," pertaining to how sometimes what we think we see is not what we see at all and gave some examples of it. Sometimes we have no patience with people who are new in the faith and we need this, at the same time educating. When you teach the law of Yahweh, there is a natural separation. If you are going to promote Yahweh's ways, you're going to condemn other people's idols—no way around it. This was a very good motivational topic.

You can see where the focus seemed to be and, amazingly, it was not planned that way by the speakers—however, Yahweh always seems to work that way, doesn't He?

Other speakers and topics included John Reynolds who provided a handout on the Pre-Existence/Post-Existence. His talk was basically on the Post-Existence of the Messiah and requested the elders and members evaluate same as to the distinction of the Spirit of Messiah and the Spirit of the Father. He states that we should address the indwelling fellowship where we are united rather than separate different groups on the nature of the pre-existence. That doctrine (pre-existence) has separated many groups over the years.

Jerry Healan from Texas gave a handout entitled Emmanuel and went through it. There was attached to the handout information from commentaries from his computer which were not read; however, he suggested all look into them. He mentioned the "cross" as being the instrument Yahshua died upon which was refuted greatly during the Q & A segment. There was a document entitled "Nailed to a Stake" which was circulated following the presentation.

Eli Collett provided a handout entitled, "A Witness of Yah-shua-Yah-Savior In Scriptures." We know His Name means authority but, if He didn't come bearing His Father's Name, how would He glorify His Father's Name? He requests all to read Jeremiah 23:5-6 and prays this was an inspiration. When was the name first glorified? Mount Sinai—for this reason have I raised you up.

Bill Hollon spoke on "The Millennium." Some of the highlights included that when it says to FEAR Yahweh, it does not mean to "respect" Yahweh. When Peter saw the Messiah on the water, Yahshua said to "fear not;" not "respect not"—fear and trembling. Nebuchadnezzar was used to teach Israel a lesson. Something interesting, if we are going to have 1,000 years to get it right, why worry now? BUT, if it's the other way around, ... doctrines ARE important. He indicates we are going to have real bodies—men will be men and women will be women. Some say we're not going to be married but that is a Hebrew idiom that means we're not going to be having seven brothers marrying one woman. He emphasizes the importance for folks to take his paper home and read it, study it, pray about it—we need to be right.

The Conference was concluded with the decision to hold next year's Unity Conference in Eaton Rapids, Michigan, on July 30, 31 and August 1 and this was confirmed by Pastor Sam Graham.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Wellington

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#### FEAST OF TABERNACLES

#### Reprinted from The Faith (October, 1941)

When this issue of The Faith comes to the hand of the readers, those of the Yahwist believers will be observing the Feast of Tabernacles in various parts of this country. The general meeting is to be held at Irvington, New Jersey, as the guests of Pastor A. B. Traina and the Congregation at 1125 Stuyvesant Avenue. We know that all who would like cannot come, but we hope to meet each one who can get there. The others, we pray, may they have a wondrous blessing wherever they may be. And may they be constantly in prayer for the general meeting, as well as for the others in the various sections of the country.

We have received word that the Yahwists at "Camp of Yah," Route 3, Eaton Rapids, Michigan, will keep the feast there. The meetings will be under the charge of Sister Pearl (E. E.) Smith, the director of the camp. We would love to see them at Irvington, but know it will be impossible for some, and so we pray Yahweh's blessings upon them. We learned to love these dear ones at the Feast there at the camp last year, and were wonderfully blessed. May Yahweh again visit them this year.

This evening, we received word from Sister Pearl Pennington, of Dadeville, Alabama, Route 2, saying that many of the Yahwists and their friends in the South can not come to Irvington, and so they have planned for a tent meeting during the Feast. The meetings will be under the direction of Evangelist C. J. Ayers of Oklahoma. We had a wondrous meeting with the saints of the South three years ago, and we would love to be with them again. We know Yahweh will bless them for their efforts for His glory. May His Spirit lead every moment.

And from the far West, we hear that the Feast will be held on the coast under the direction of Elder Herbert Armstrong of Eugene, Oregon. Though this company keeps the Feast, they have not, with a few exceptions, accepted the sacred name of the Father, as we sincerely hope they will in due time. We pray that during this time of worship, the Father will manifest Himself to them in a wonderful way, and that His one name, His only true name, will be revealed to them during this Feast. May Yahweh bless them is our prayer.

Thus, we have from our early reports learned that the sacred Feast of Tabernacles will be held in the northern, the southern, the western and the eastern sections of our great country — and the majority will be worshipping Yahweh, in the name of Yahshua, our Savior and Redeemer. Halleluyah.

Fuller reports for our readers will be given in the coming issue of The Faith, for the benefit of those who could not attend one of these meetings. Meanwhile, we pray that each isolated child of the heavenly Father will be found in constant meditation and prayer during this sacred season of thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for, and during this feast of thanksgiving may our hearts be tuned to Him who hath done all these good things for us. Glory [high esteem] be to His wonderful name.

Editor (C. O. Dodd)

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#### YAHWEH SAYS

All these things are an ABOMINATION to me. Using divination, observing of times, enchantments, witchcraft, consulting familiar spirits, and practicing necromancy. Deuteronomy 18:9-13. Verse 12 – For all that do these things are an abomination unto Yahweh ...

Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with woman kind: it is abomination. Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith ... Leviticus 18:22-23, 20:13; Exodus 22:19.

Eating anything of the unclean list (Leviticus 11), They shall be an abomination unto you. Isaiah 66:17 – They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the gardens behind one tree in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed together, saith Yahweh.

He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are abomination to Yahweh (Proverbs 17:15).

Deuteronomy 22:5 – The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto Yahweh thy Elohim.

Imperfect and unjust weights, measures, and false balances (Deuteronomy 25:14-16, Micah 6:10-11). Proverbs 20:23 – Divers weights are an abomination unto Yahweh; and a false balance is not good.

He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination (Proverbs 28:9).

Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your ABOMINATIONS (Ezekiel 14:6).

Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall <u>not</u> commit any of these ABOMINATIONS ... Leviticus 18:26 Submitted by M. Garrison

#### Sins of Ignorance

I have known about you, but I did not know you.

I have heard about you, but I did not look for you.

I have given thanks in my life, but I did not thank you.

I have followed in my life, but I did not follow you.

I have praised others in my life, but I did not praise you.

I have shed tears in my life, but I did not shed any for you.

I have sacrificed in my life, but I did not sacrifice for you.

I have had faith in my life, but I did not have faith in you.

I have believed in my life, but I did not believe in you.

I have loved in my life, but I did not love you.

Yahshua, you have forgiven me for all that I have done to neglect you in my life. I repent of all my sins and know with all my heart, mind and soul that you are my life's salvation. I walk in your light now, knowing that I have been delivered from sins of ignorance by your merciful eternal love. Submitted by Russell Medina

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#### **ENCOURAGING LETTER**

Dear Body of Yahshua,

I hope the wonderful peace and serenity which is from our heavenly Father and our Savior is abundantly supplied within your homes and among the assembly there.

I have now wholly read through the Word of Yahweh edition of the Scriptures which I purchased from you about one year ago. This was my eighth time to read through the Scriptures, reading various translations.

As I have read in the preface, I quote: "In order for a new Bible edition to be successful it must fill a need." I am <u>sure</u> this Bible is successful. I earnestly pray for greater unity within The Body of Yahshua. I believe that all congregations using The Word of Yahweh translation would greatly contribute to that <u>precious</u> unity!

I am a man convicted eight years ago of such crimes against society that it was needful for me to be imprisoned. Prison is a place of enmity and opposition. This is encouraged by prison guards and staff to keep convicts divided. I see much division. I see the "mighty one of this world" at work in here and the many tricks he uses.

We are the called Body of Yahshua! There must be unity among us. Our Constitution – The Word of Yahweh DEMANDS it. Galatians 5:20-21 tells us those who practice "variance" (#2054 Strong's Exhaustive Concordance) = quarrel), "emulations" (heated zeal, jealousy), "seditions" (dis-union, two-standing), and "heresies" (choice, party or sect), shall not inherit the Kingdom of Yahweh.

Beloved Family of Yahweh, I am no one. I am no great teacher. I certainly cannot and have not been called to preach. I cannot even voice a prayer eloquently for the words in my heart do not travel easily to my lips. But I am DEEPLY in love with my King, my Husband, my Savior, and this love for Him causes me to love His body.

I hope the congregations out there realize and appreciate the wonderful opportunities they have to assemble, learn from the Elders, fellowship with brethren and immerse newly called members. I am not allowed to do any of those things here where I am. Be grateful children of Yahweh, do not take your blessings for granted!

I thank you all sincerely for making The Word of Yahweh edition possible and I encourage all the Body of Yahshua to embrace this Bible as our principal text.

Respectfully, Markus W. Dickey

#### Congratulations to the Conference August 2009

The Assembly of Yahweh Org. joyfully wishes you a happy and grateful conference. We are spiritually with you in unity to serve our Creator Yahweh and we are willing to work together as Yahshua said. May Yahweh bless you.

In His service, Paul Lang'at - Kenya

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# LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER FOR YAHWEH IS LOVE

My reading is taken from 1 John 4:7-11. Beloved, let us love one another: for love is from Yahweh; and every one that loves is begotten of Yahweh, and knows Yahweh. He who does not love, does not know Yahweh; for Yahweh is love. In this the love of Yahweh was manifested toward us, that Yahweh sent his only begotten son into the world, in order that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved Yahweh, but that he loved us and sent his son to be the sacrifice of atonement for our sins. Beloved, since Yahweh so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

The greatest commandment in the Law is Love. Matthew 22:36-39 – Teacher, what is the great commandment in the law? Yahshua said unto him, You must love Yahweh your father with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, You shall love your brother (neighbor) as yourself.

Who is your brother? According to Mark 3:32-35 – While the multitude sat around him, they said to him, Behold, your mother and your brothers outside ask for you. But he answered them, saying, who is my mother, or my brothers? Then he looked around at those surrounding him, and said, Behold my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of Yahweh, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother.

I beseech you brethren, to be at peace among yourselves and let us encourage each other (1 Thessalonians 5:14-22), until we all come to the same unity of the faith, and of the same knowledge of the son of Yahweh, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness perfection of the Messiah (Ephesians 4:13).

May we, through the Father Yahweh, endeavor to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. HalleluYah!

Yours Sincerely, Fubara Abinami (Nigeria)

#### Grateful to Father Yahweh

The Faith magazine you continually send to me is so very helpful to me as I continue to serve Yahweh and Yahshua the Messiah here in the Philippines. Thank you very much. I know that Yahweh Almighty is pleased with the effort of the Assembly of Yahweh congregation in sending The Faith Magazine to the subscribers worldwide. HalleluYah.

I am so grateful to Father Yahweh because Yahshua's work through the Assembly of Yahweh has truly impacted many lives in the Philippines. You may not see my face personally, but I assure you that I and my family in Dipolog always include you during our prayer to Yahweh as we include Elder Jerry Healan.

Yahweh's blessings upon us as we continue to serve Him these end times, while we patiently wait and love the appearing of the Sovereign Yahshua to rule all the earth for one thousand years.

Truly in Yahshua Ha Masiach, Rey M. Saldia (Presently ministering in Cotabato City)

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#### **HEALTH NOTE – Cinnamon**

Cinnamon's sweet, spicy flavor has been a part of our lives since Old Testament times! The holy anointing oil for the Tabernacle included cinnamon: "Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure myrrh five hundred shekels, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels ..." (Exodus 30:23);

Cinnamon's medicinal and practical uses are wide and varied, as cinnamon has been used by many cultures for thousands of years. In addition to being employed to cover unpleasant-tasting flavors in other drugs, cinnamon is used as an astringent, a stimulant, a carminative (anti-flatulence agent), and anti-infective (antimicrobial), and an anti-fungal. When used to flavor foods, it may aid digestion while decreasing the possibility of food poisoning or food-borne diseases. It can be sprinkled on soil (when starting seedlings in the house) to prevent damping-off, which is a fungus that kills seedlings (incidentally, running a fan near the seedlings to help evaporate the water in the soil also helps!). It can also help relieve congestion, stiff muscles, arthritis and menstrual discomfort. Due to its antimicrobial properties, it can also help prevent urinary tract infections, tooth decay and gum disease! Recently, studies have demonstrated that cinnamon (half a teaspoon daily) can significantly reduce triglycerides, LDL cholesterol, total cholesterol, and blood sugar levels in Type 2 diabetes patients. And you thought it was only good for toast and oatmeal!

Excerpts from The Potter's Daughter – March/April 2004

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