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The Faith Versus Paganism *Merry Christmas?*

Why is it impossible to keep Yahweh's feasts and also keep Christmas? 1 Corinthians 10:20-22, Isaiah 28:7-8.

The innocent (so-called "white") lies concerning Santa Claus bring happiness and joy to little children – how could this be wrong? Romans 1:21-32, Isaiah 28:15-17, Revelation 22:14-15.

Why do the ministers of most denominations teach their people to commemorate Christmas? Isaiah 30:8-15 (note marginal reference KJV-verse 8 - "latter day"), Isaiah 9:15-16.

Should our Saviour, Yahshua the Messiah be depicted as a helpless babe in His mother's arms? Hebrews 7:20-28, Luke 24:36-53.

Does the Spirit during this Christmas season not seem different and special? Romans 10:1-3, 1 Timothy 4:1-2, Matthew 7:15-20.

Why shouldn't we conform to the age in which we live and do as the masses around us? Romans 12:2, Revelation 18:2-5, Matthew 7:13-14.

How can I tell who is right when there are so many voices saying this is the way? 2 John 5:11, 2 Timothy 3:14-17 and 4:1-5, and Isaiah 8:20.

Note: This surely has come to pass before our eyes in this generation; "In transgressing and lying against Yahweh, and departing away from our Elohim, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street and equity cannot enter." (Isaiah 59:13-14)

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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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SERVANT OF YAHWEH

Think with me to be in the Upper Room where Yahshua and the twelve disciples had the Last Supper. Yahshua puts a towel around his waist, kneels down and begins to wash the feet of Peter. Peter objects. Yahshua said if I don't wash your feet you can't be in my kingdom. Peter said wash all of me then. And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest [Luke 22:24]. Because they were interested in places of power and prestige, James and John had asked Yahshua to grant that they might sit on His right and left hand in His majesty [Mark 10:37]... Yahshua knelt because he was the only one with spiritual power to kneel. The egotistical can't, the pompous (me first) cannot kneel, servants to Satan cannot.

You cannot kneel until you become a servant of Yahshua. Servants are willing to kneel to give themselves humbly to the Master. A story – a man walks into a jewelry store and sees a beautiful pearl and asks how much it is. The seller says it's very expensive. The man raises his voice and asks again how much. Seller says it's the same amount for everyone and will cost you everything you have, everything. All right, I'll buy it. Seller asks what do you have, I'll write it down. Well, I have \$50,000 in the bank. Fine that belongs to me. That's all I have, no that's not all. What, you want my wallet, here I have \$30, \$40, \$50. That's okay, don't count it just give me the whole wallet. What else do you have? Nothing, nothing at all. Where do you live? You mean my house? Yes, your house. Well, if I give you my house I'll have to move into my motor home. Oh, you have a motor home, that's mine too. If I move out of my motor home, I'll have to sleep in my car. Oh well, that's mine too. If I give you my car, all I have left are my wife and kids. Oh, wife and kids, well they are mine too, I am only loaning them to you, and you are to treat them properly. When I come calling and I ask you for what you have and what you own, I want you to know I want it instantly. I also want you, your heart, soul, mind, and body 24 hours a day, every day for the rest of your life. That's the price or you can have nothing to do with the Kingdom of Yahweh. That's what it costs to be a servant in the army of Yahshua the Messiah.

Are we servants or have we kept corners of our lives where we have forbidden Yahshua to come in? Yes Yahshua I'll give you this divine two (2) hours or so on Saturday [Sabbath], but don't bother me for the rest of the week because I am going to do my thing. That is not a servant.

Servants have earthly and everlasting rewards when we come to know Yahshua our Messiah. It gives us peace that surpasses understanding. He will keep us in peace whose mind stays on Him (Yahshua). There is joy unspeakable and full of glory; there is companionship for He will never leave you or forsake you till the end of the Age. There is health and healing because He is Yahshua who heals all of our diseases. There is love for Yahshua is love. Anyone who gives all to the Father and Son will get 100 fold return ...

There are many rewards in Yahweh's Kingdom: soul winner's crown [James 5:20 and Hebrews 13:17]; imperishable crown [1 Peter 5:4]; crown of righteousness [2 Corinthians 4:8]; crown of glory [Isaiah 62:3]; crown of life [Revelation 2:10 and James 1:12]. As soon as we receive our crown, we will place our crown at the feet of Yahshua and give glory [high esteem] and praise for He is the only one worthy.

The greatest reward will be to hear Yahshua say well done, my good and faithful servant, you have received everlasting life. Those of us who receive Yahshua will have everlasting life and when we reach the end of this journey it will be a delightful day.

FORGIVENESS BRINGS A RIVER OF LIFE

The Messiah GIVES his life for me that I might be FORGIVEN. My sins are nailed to the stake (Colossians 2:14).

When we forgive others around us, we acknowledge that the Messiah gives his life for them also. In our hearts, we release them to be forgiven and their sins are nailed to the stake—we are helping to save their souls. We release the situation to the Savior, and He will make things right. *“But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth:...”* Isaiah 11:4.

“For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.” Matthew 6:14-15.

What if I have trouble saying, I forgive you and I think I don’t mean it, but I want to obey Him anyway? *“I create the fruit of the lips:...”* Isaiah 57:19. We speak it in obedience and expect the Father to make it so. We agree with the prophet that it shall be done. (Matthew 18:19, 2 Peter 1:3-4, 21)

Unforgiveness forms barriers between people. Think of the love of Yahweh and the Holy [Kodesh] Spirit as a river straight from Heaven; it flows into the body from person to person. Think of our sitting in assembly worshiping as a body. Think of the flow going in a circular pattern and making a circle with no end. If all barriers are gone, the circle has no end and can go on and on, making unity and oneness. This unity can extend beyond the assembly worship experience.

What if someone says, I think I have forgiven everyone, but I’m not sure. How do you know you have forgiven every person? What is the first thought we have when we look at someone or hear their voice? Is it of something negative about them? Something we remember seeing them do? Do we initially feel glad to see them? If our thoughts are negative about them, then we may need to go to Yahweh in prayer to see if there is a sin in our hearts against them: unrighteous judgment, resentment, bitterness, unforgiveness, envy, anger, hate, selfishness.

IDEAS – 1. If after praying, the negative is still there, talking to the person and confessing and asking for forgiveness may be in order. They may really appreciate having the opportunity to ask forgiveness. 2. Fasting and prayer may show our hearts what is wrong and how to handle it. 3. Claim scriptures that have promises of forgiveness. Pray them putting your own name in them, until the feeling or thought is gone.

Testimony by Jeanne Fangboner

SERVANT OF YAHWEH

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Every act of service no matter how great or small will be recorded of Yahweh by angels. A servant serves. Are we servants of Yahshua or are we waiting to be served?

Douglas Panetta

The Truth About the Lunar Sabbath Calendar

By Robert Wells

There is a teaching going around the body of Messiah that is called the “Lunar Sabbath Calendar”. This teaching claims that every new moon not only starts a new month, but it also starts a new week. Therefore the weekly Sabbath always falls on the 7th, the 14th, the 21st, and the 28th of every scriptural month. Is it possible that people who desire to worship Yahweh according to His word have been keeping the Sabbath day wrong for thousands of years?

Genesis 1:14-19 “And Elohim said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And Elohim made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also. And Elohim set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and Elohim saw that *it was* good. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.”

Yahweh created the moon on the fourth day of the first week of the first month of the first year!

Genesis 2:1-3 “Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day Elohim ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. And Elohim blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which Elohim created and made.”

Yahweh rested on the seventh day, three days after He created the moon, not seven days after He created the moon! The Genesis account of creation is sufficient proof for many believers that the Lunar Sabbath Calendar doctrine cannot be correct. But, giving those that believe in this calendar the benefit of the doubt, let’s say that this is not good enough proof. After all, it could be that the Genesis account is not literally how it occurred. **2 Peter 3:8** says “But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with Yahweh as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.” People could use this verse to say that creation took at least six thousand years. So, let’s look at some other facts.

Those that believe in the Lunar Sabbath Calendar say that Israel lost track of the true calendar during the Babylonian captivity and started to practice a false calendar. Well, Yahshua the Messiah kept the same seventh day Sabbath as his contemporaries and they did not keep a Lunar Sabbath Calendar and this was after the Babylonian captivity! Yahshua is master of the Sabbath! **Matthew 12:8** “For the Son of man is Master even of the Sabbath day.” He never told the scribes or Pharisees that they were keeping the Sabbath on the wrong day. He never told them that the calendar they were keeping was all wrong. Instead, he kept the same Sabbath day and the same calendar that they did!

Let’s examine the week that Yahshua died, was buried, and then rose from the dead. **Matthew 27:50-60** “Yahshua, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the spirit. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Yahshua, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of Yahweh. And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Yahshua from Galilee, ministering unto him: Among

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which was Miriam Magdalene, and Miriam the mother of Jacob and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's children. When the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathaea, named Joseph, who also himself was Yahshua's disciple: He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Yahshua. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed." As we will see later on in this article, this could not have been the sixth day of the week!

Mark 15:37-42 "And Yahshua cried with a loud voice, and expired. And the veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the bottom. And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and expired, he said, Truly this man was the Son of Yahweh. There were also women looking on afar off: among whom was Miriam Magdalene, and Miriam the mother of Jacob the less and of Joseph, and Salome; (Who also, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministered unto him;) and many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem. And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath,"

John 19:31 "The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the stake on the Sabbath day, (for that Sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away." Yahshua's death took place on the preparation day of a high Sabbath. This high Sabbath was not the weekly Sabbath because he rose from the dead at the end of the weekly Sabbath and He said that he would be in the grave three days and three nights. **Matthew 12:39-40** "But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah: For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."

Matthew 28:1 "In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first *day* of the week, came Miriam Magdalene and the other Miriam to see the sepulchre."

Matthew 28:5-6 "And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Yahshua, which was executed. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Master lay."

The word dawn in Matthew 28:1 is Strong's Greek number 2020, and it means to draw on. The first day of the week was drawing on, and Yahshua was already risen. If the Greek word that is translated as "dawn" in verse 1 meant breaking daylight, a different Greek word would have been used instead. Strong's Greek number 1306 means breaking daylight! Miriam Magdalene and the other Miriam did not come to Yahshua's tomb at daybreak. They came at the end of the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was about to begin. It was beginning to get dark, as in Nehemiah 13:19.

If we believe Yahshua, the master of the Sabbath, then we can see that there were two Sabbaths in the week that he died: a high Sabbath - the first day of the feast of unleavened bread, and the weekly Sabbath. He died and was put in the tomb on the fourth day of the week. Three days later, in the latter part of the weekly Sabbath, he rose from the grave.

If you believe in the Lunar Sabbath Calendar, then you must say that Yahshua was a false prophet because he said that he would be in the grave for three days and three nights. Passover is the 14th day of the 1st month, and it is the day that Yahshua died on. In the Lunar Sabbath Calendar, Passover would be on the weekly Sabbath. Yahshua died on the preparation day of a Sabbath, a high Sabbath. The Lunar Sabbath Calendar, when applied to the week that Yahshua died, is exposed as false doctrine.

WHY THE 10 COMMANDMENTS WERE REMOVED

On Thursday, August 28, 2003 in the state of Alabama (USA) a monument to the 10 Commandments was removed by court order from a public building. The outcry from the Christian community has been overwhelming. Protests and letters adverse to this decision are too many to mention. But are these outcries in agreement with the Father's will?

This writer had been requested to sign petitions to halt the removal a number of times prior to it actually occurring. Every time this would occur I would sense an unction not to do so. I was not sure why until I watched the removal on television.

The great majority of people desiring to prevent the removal of the commandments do not themselves observe them. They are the same people to say the law was nailed to the stake 2000 years ago. Consider the commandments one by one, then look at the body of believers and see how things seem to contradict each other.

The **first commandment** states **I AM YAHWEH YOUR ELOHIM** (not the L-rd thy G-d). We have removed Yahweh's Name from the most important document and replaced it with a title. Every false god has a name Buddha, Shiva, Allah, etc. Yet the true creator of the Universe, His great name is hidden. The 10 commandment monument did not contain the name Yahweh.

The **second commandment** states we are not to make graven images and worship them. In many places of worship there is usually a cross in the front of the meeting room. Many believers wear a cross and some even feel their cross jewelry has special powers. Some denominations even have statues which are supposed to be Yahshua, or angels and attribute special powers to them. Drive by your neighborhood churches or visit any Christian bookstore and you will see plenty of idols. The early believers did not use any representation to proclaim their faith.

The **third commandment** tells us not to take the name of Yahweh thy Elohim in vain. Most people understand we are not to use the name like a swear word or to use it in profanity. This is obviously wrong. But the word vain does not mean profanity it means to make empty or worthless. **Strong's 07723 awv shav' shawv or wv shav shav from the same as 07722 in the sense of desolating. Theo. Wordbook of Old Test. (TWOT)-2338a; n m AV-vain 22, vanity 22, false 5, lying 2, falsely 1, lies 1, 53; 1) emptiness, vanity, falsehood, 1a) emptiness, nothingness, vanity, 1b) emptiness of speech, lying, 1c) worthlessness (of conduct).**

By removing the name Yahweh we make it empty or worthless. Our bibles and the 10 commandment monument in Alabama have replaced the true name with the title L-rd. **1 Corinthians 8:5-6, For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) [KJV] But to us there is but one Elohim, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Master Yahshua the Messiah, by whom are all things, and we by him. [The Word of Yahweh]**

The **fourth commandment** tells us to remember the Sabbath day to keep it Holy (set apart from the rest of the week). We are commanded to work 6 days but to rest on the Sabbath. Christians today are taught the Sabbath was changed to Sunday (there is no proof of this) yet today many Christians work and shop on what they believe is the Sabbath. They may claim ignorance of the true Sabbath, but they can't claim ignorance of the part of the commandment to refrain from work.

The **fifth commandment** tells us to honor our father and mother. Yet, many who profess to be believers show disrespect to their parents. In bible times parents had authority over their children until they were married. They even arranged the marriages

of their children. Today many parents find out their son or daughter is engaged after the engagement takes place. And if the parents disapprove of the prospective mate the majority of children choose to marry anyway. This is just one of many examples of believers showing disrespect to parents.

The **sixth commandment** tells us not to murder. Yahshua tells us if we have hatred in our heart we have committed murder in our heart. If we have unforgiveness towards another, it is like murder. Gossip is as if we were to kill our brothers and sisters. How many of us have shown open hatred for a former president, regardless of whether or not he was wicked? Yahweh sets up kings, Yahweh takes down kings, blessed be the Name of Yahweh.

The **seventh commandment** tells us not to commit adultery. Multiple divorces and remarriages take place among believers. Believers have left their spouse to marry another. Living together before marriage is becoming increasingly acceptable in the community of believers.

The **eighth commandment** tells us not to steal. There are churches and assemblies going to court against each other over contested wills, tithes, and other assets. Believers go to court against other believers all the time. Just because someone is not in their particular congregation does not give them the right to sue each other. Yahshua tells us to turn the other cheek and suffer loss.

The **ninth commandment** tells us not to bear false witness against each other. Lying from the highest office in the land down to the common man has become a way of life. When Hananiah and Sapphira lied to Peter who was in the spirit they were struck dead. I have seen people blatantly lie to those in authority and have no fear of Yahweh when they do.

The **tenth commandment** tells us not to covet. Many of the other commandments would not be broken if we could obey the tenth. Sin first takes place in the mind. This commandment deals with our thoughts.

The teaching that the law was done away is the reason that much of the evil, that is taking place in our nation and other nations, is occurring. Just as in biblical times, Yahweh used the heathen to chasten Israel. He will do so today. The Ten Commandments stand or fall together. If we refuse to keep the 7th day Sabbath because the law was done away then the law against murder was also done away. The result, abortion became legal in 1972. Since then there have been over 40 million babies killed. If we say it does not matter what name we use to call on the Almighty, because the law was done away, then the law against adultery is also done away. The result, open unrepented adultery in the White House, and blatant homosexuality in our land.

No matter what evil there is that we are witnessing, murder, adultery, being lied to by our government, etc., all goes back to one of the commandments. When the believers repent of doing away with the law of Yahweh, then He will be faithful and heal our land. Because we have removed the Commandments from our hearts, Yahweh has allowed them to be removed from public view.

2 Chronicles 7:14, If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

T. Wells

[Editor's note: Since this article was written the Judge was asked to step down from his post for refusing to remove the monument.]

FEAST OF TABERNACLES 2003

Eaton Rapids, Michigan

The Feast started out with a marvelous spirit and ended with a marvelous spirit. May Yahweh be praised. The theme for the Feast this year was taken from John 14:6, "Yahshua saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Yahshua needs to be lifted up by his true followers. If we desire to do greater things in this life, we need to ask it in Yahshua's name (John 14:13). The Eaton Rapids Assembly wanted to emphasize the need for all believers to embrace Yahweh's Son wholeheartedly. Psalm 2:12 reads, "Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him."

Be aware Brethren there is a growing number of seemingly true believers who are rejecting the New Testament, rejecting Paul's writings, embracing Jewish customs and unbelievably rejecting their anointed blessed Savior Yahshua the Messiah. Remember Matthew 10:33, "But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven."

The Feast of Tabernacles is always a joyous occasion at the Eaton Rapids Assembly. We all look forward to the seventh month Feasts of Yahweh. Besides the local Michigan believers there were believers from California, Alabama, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, New York, and London, Ontario, Canada. We began with the introduction of individuals with short testimonies of why they keep the Feast and how many Feasts each had attended. Scriptures regarding Yahweh's Feasts were read (Leviticus 23, Numbers 29, Nehemiah 8, John 7 and John 14:5-6). There were two scheduled meetings each day, at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Several activities were planned for the afternoons or attendees could take a walk, visit with others or just rest. We enjoyed a health talk by the Boutenkos, a couple from Russia; a day trip to Impression Five Museum in Lansing and the MSU Museum in East Lansing, MI; the hay ride and kosher hot dog roast. The oldest attendee was Sister Lillian Huddleston (101) from Flint, MI.

The following brethren gave inspiring messages during the Feast and the Last Great Day. Otto Miesel, Grand Rapids, MI; Robert McDonald, St. Lucie, FL and Newark, OH; John Hawkins, Texas; Ralph Hughey, Arkansas; Rock Key Yah, Brighton, IL; Kevin May, Newark, OH; Baruch Bobo, Toledo, OH; Bob Wells, Grand Ledge, MI; and Samuel Graham, Eaton Rapids, MI. Mary Dodd Ling related some history of her father C.O. Dodd and earlier Feasts of Tabernacles, one they kept on a family farm in West Virginia and another with Elder A.B. Traina in New Jersey.

Songs of praise to Yahweh and Yahshua were offered every meeting with specials given by Marleta Boone, CA; Bernice Avery, MI; Kevin May and Assembly, OH; Eugene Banak and Family, London, Ontario. Instrumental offerings by Russ Sullivan on accordion, Jeanne Fangeboner on piano and singing, Kevin May, guitar, and Bob Wells, premiering on violin, were uplifting and very much appreciated. Theresa Wells on her auto harp led many choruses with son Aaron accompanying on the drums. We sang "I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb" more than once with the congregation standing to give honor to Yahshua as we sang to him. Other offerings by K.T. English, Roy Avery and Bob McDonald, a duet by Sarah Bristol and Nenita Almaras, Rock Key Yah on guitar and singing, and from the children were a blessing.

FEAST REPORT FROM ONTARIO, CANADA

We the brethren of Toronto were unable to attend the Feast of Tabernacles this year at our pilgrimage site the Assembly of Yahweh, Eaton Rapids, Michigan. Therefore the Holy Convocation Days of the Feast of Tabernacles 2003 were celebrated at the Assembly of Yahweh, 2901 Kipling site in Toronto under the instruction of our High Priest, Leader and Teacher Yahshua. Praise Yah! The theme – For the Spirit and the Bride Say Come (Revelation 22:17).

It was a unified group of 26 souls on the first high day who came to rejoice before Father Yahweh. Sister Naomi Roxby in the welcoming remarks emphasized that it is an expectation that we rejoice before Father Yah seven days and review the law. The 8th day is a solemn assembly. Emphasis is that all should read the Law meditatively and come with feedback discussion on The Last Great Day.

Sister C. Gallimore was the admonisher for the service. The food for thought was on The Marriage Supper of the Lamb. She with the help of Yahshua exhorted us on several scriptures in getting ones self ready to meet Yahshua. Great emphasis was on Luke 14:15-24 and Revelation 19:6-10. Her final analysis was Revelation 19:8, “And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints”. Our hearts were blessed with these soul searching words. We ended the worship with rejoicing to Father Yahweh and Yahshua. To Yah be the glory. Halleluyah!

On the Last Day of the Feast, we again gathered to worship Father Yah and His Son Yahshua, with 28 souls present. The service was moderated by Sister Velma who reminded us that we should not ignore the warnings of the words of Father Yahweh entreating us to obey Him. After reading the 10 Commandments in unison she asked that we all read Jeremiah 26 emphasizing that non-conforming to the words of Yah and Yahshua should not be tolerated by any True Believers. She continued, now that we all have read and reviewed the Law meditatively we (each believer) are accountable for our actions and if we willfully disobey the Words, we will stand the consequences of Father Yahweh’s judgments, for Yah will not be mocked.

Special offerings were offered to Father Yahweh and His Son Yahshua, before Deacon Andrew Richards gave his admonishment. His topic was that the Feasts of Yahweh are forever. He brought our attention to scriptures from Leviticus 23 to Revelation to prove this fact. This session was very interactive as he asked the participating readers of the scriptures to explain what he or she had read. Yahweh’s Feast he reminded us is not the feast of the Jews. We should not add or diminish any thing from it (Deuteronomy 4:2, 12:32; Revelation 22:18). Conditions for obtaining Blessings were also emphasized (2 Chronicles 7:8-14).

A visual analogy of using the wrapping of thread around 3 participants, with 2 wrists tied together until the participant with the most thread tied around his arm was unable to loose himself, illustrated what sin added to sin can do. Repentance of sin through Yahshua can set one free if we do not presumptuously sin against Yah. This illustration has surely touched the hearts from small to great who understood the Words. Thank Yah for His instructions, His leading.

Closing thoughts were by Sister N. Roxby. She stated that now that we have reviewed the Law our eyes are more opened to what is required of us, to ensure that we are wearing a righteous garment for Yahshua’s return and our dwelling with Him.

[No changes could be made to the following copyrighted article (Yahweh or Elohim could not be inserted where applicable), however the Editor thought the contents informative and eye-opening.]

THE JEWS TOOK NO ONE'S LAND

As the most visible Arab-American critic of Yasser Arafat and the phony "Palestinian" agenda, I get a lot of hate mail. I've even received more than my share of death threats. Most of those who attack me – at least those who bother to get beyond the four-letter words and insults – say I just don't understand or have sympathy for these poor Arabs who were displaced, chased out of their homes and turned into refugees by the Israelis.

Let me state this plainly and clearly: The Jews in Israel took no one's land.

When Mark Twain visited the Holy Land in the 19th century, he was greatly disappointed. He didn't see any people. He referred to it as a vast wasteland. The land we now know as Israel was practically deserted. By the beginning of the 20th century, that began to change. Jews from all over the world began to return to their ancestral homeland – the Promised Land Moses and Joshua had conquered millennia earlier, Christians and Jews believe, on the direct orders of God. That's not to say there wasn't always a strong Jewish presence in the land – particularly in and around Jerusalem. In 1854, according to a report in the New York Tribune, Jews constituted two-thirds of the population of that holy city. The source for that statistic? A journalist on assignment in the Middle East that year for the Tribune. His name was Karl Marx. Yes, that Karl Marx.

A travel guide to Palestine and Syria, published in 1906 by Karl Baedeker, illustrates the fact that, even when the Islamic Ottoman Empire ruled the region, the Muslim population in Jerusalem was minimal. The book estimates the total population of the city at 60,000, of whom 7,000 were Muslims, 13,000 were Christians and 40,000 were Jews. "The number of Jews has greatly risen in the last few decades, in spite of the fact that they are forbidden to immigrate or to possess landed property," the book states. Even though the Jews were persecuted, still they came to Jerusalem and represented the overwhelming majority of the population as early as 1906. And even though Muslims today claim Jerusalem as the third holiest site in Islam, when the city was under Islamic rule, they had little interest in it.

As the Jews came, drained the swamps and made the deserts bloom, something interesting began to happen. Arabs followed. I don't blame them. They had good reason to come. They came for jobs. They came for prosperity. They came for freedom. And they came in large numbers.

Winston Churchill observed in 1939: "So far from being persecuted, the Arabs have crowded into the country and multiplied till their population has increased more than even all world Jewry could lift up the Jewish population." Then came 1948 and the partition. The United Nations proposed the creation of two states in the region – one Jewish, one Arab. The Jews accepted it gratefully. The Arabs rejected it with a vengeance and declared war.

Arab leaders urged Arabs to leave the area so they would not be caught in the crossfire. They could return to their homes, they were told, after Israel was crushed and the Jews destroyed. It didn't work out that way. By most counts, several hundred thousand Arabs were displaced by this war not by Israeli aggression, not by some Jewish real-estate grab, not by Israeli expansionism. In fact, there are many historical records

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CALENDAR UNITY

For calendar unity it has been suggested that the assemblies choose a panel of elders to determine and proclaim the dates for all to follow.

Anciently, watchmen on commanding heights round Yerusalem watched for the new moon to appear. As each of them detected the moon, he was examined by the president of the Sanhedrin. When the evidence was deemed satisfactory, the president announced it as the new moon day.

As yet today, a panel has not been chosen, nor a president of it to announce new moon days. As is done now, each local assembly by means of a presiding elder announces to the assembly when the new moon day is as determined by him or agreement of the local elders.

In essence, each assembly has its own “Sanhedrin” and president. Thus one assembly may announce a different day than another. This does work, but some observe the wrong day....

September 28, 2003

Some thought yesterday, September 27 was the day of Trumpets; but in Israel it could not have been because the new moon there could not have been seen the night of the 26th. Thus today, September 28 would be Trumpets there. If Yahshua comes on the day of Trumpets, He will come the day of the week it is Trumpets at Yerusalem. Suppose it is today. How will those feel who observed it yesterday – a day ahead of Yahshua?....

Sincerely,
Elder George Kinney

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showing the Jews urged the Arabs to stay and live with them in peace. But, tragically, they chose to leave.

Fifty-four years later, the sons and daughters and grandsons and granddaughters of those refugees are all-too-often still living in refugee camps – not because of Israeli intransigence, but because they are misused as a political tool of the Arab powers.

Those poor unfortunates could be settled in a week by the rich Arab oil states that control 99.9 percent of the Middle East landmass, but they are kept as virtual prisoners, filled with misplaced hatred for Jews and armed as suicide martyrs by the Arab power brokers. This is the modern real history of the Arab-Israeli conflict. At no time did the Jews uproot Arab families from their homes. When there were title deeds to be purchased, they bought them at inflated prices. When there were not, they worked the land so they could have a place to live without the persecution they faced throughout the world.

It’s a great big lie that the Israelis displaced anyone – one of a series of lies and myths that have the world on the verge of committing yet another great injustice to the Jews.

*By Joseph Farrah, an Arab Christian, the editor of WorldNet Daily.
WorldNet Daily – November 19, 2002.*

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Let peace and prosperity be bestowed upon you and all the staff of The Faith magazine including to those who call upon the sacred name of Yahweh and Yahshua throughout the earth.

Even though there is no contribution to meet the production cost for your magazine owing to our poverty, you have kindly sent us your valued magazine free of cost for the last decade. It has been very useful for us to find out the truth and the will of our heavenly Father. So, kindly continue to send us the magazine and other publications like tracts, etc...

Surprise visit by Elder: It was the 15th of July 2003 when Elder Sunith P. David and Brother Tony B. Suckla suddenly turned up in our capital Aizawl from Manipur. We were very happy to have them in our midst. Elder P. David is from Andhra Pradesh in South India, Brother Tony is a missionary from Texas who is currently doing Bible translation on Telegu language using sacred names of the father Yahweh and his son Yahshua the Mashiach. Elder P. David had to go back home on the 6th as he received call from home, while Bro. Tony stayed back for about a week. Bro. Tony spent Sabbath at Vairengte on his way home where we have a congregation.

The visit of Elder P. David and Bro. Tony was happy occasion for our congregation. We were inspired by the messages delivered from the words of Yahweh. On the other hand we feel sorry that we could not give them a well physical treatment during their stay with us. We thank our sister Hmingtei and her son Andrew who have provided boarding and lodging at their home for Bro. Tony. May Yahweh bless them and give them prosperity. Even though we do not have a proper meeting place of our own, we have rented one flat for meeting on Sabbath.

The Elder and Bro. Tony were shown the translation of the New Testament in our language using sacred names prepared by Mr. J.H. Thangliana. The manuscript was recorded in computer since 1998 but not printed yet due to paucity of funds.

We would like to appeal to brethren throughout the globe to try and find ways and means for bringing out the whole Bible in our language using the sacred names. We hope the visit of Elder David and Bro. Tony will bring about some fruitful result which also is our prayer.

We thank brothers across the globe who have written letters to us after knowing us through publication in The Faith magazine. However, we regret our inability to keep them in contact continually. The REMNANT which is our monthly publication in our language is also brought out with difficulties, yet attempt is made to improve in the near future.

We shall be very grateful if the contents of this letter is published in your esteemed quarterly The Faith. Thanking you. Shalom.

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Eaton Rapids, Michigan

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FEAST OF TABERNACLES 2003

Eaton Rapids, Michigan

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The Feast started with a lot of enthusiasm and ended with great praise to Yahweh for all our blessings – past, present and future. Just think spring is only a few months away with Passover and the Feast of Unleavened soon upon us. HalleluYah.

In His Service,
Samuel A. Graham

FEAST REPORT FROM ONTARIO, CANADA

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Deuteronomy 6:25. And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before Yah our El, as He hath commanded us. We all by now should be judging our lives based on the Words. Our willingness to diligently hearken to obey the Words will determine our spiritual characteristics as stated in Revelation 22:11. Yah has given us a heart to perceive, eyes to see, and ears to hear His Words. We just have to diligently hearken and obey.

John 7:37-39. Yahshua on the Last Day of The Feast said: If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me (Yahshua), out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. That is the Holy [Kodesh] Spirit that is given to those that obey (Acts 5:32). Yahshua's doctrine is the same one we believe in today!

Revelation 22:17 and Deuteronomy 30:14-16 were read. See, Father Yah has set before thee (whosoever will) Life and Good, and Death and Evil; and Yahshua is ready to restore us (whosoever will) who are willing to diligently hearken and obey the Words of the Law. We find ourselves in need of spiritual rehabilitation and Yahshua is saying Come. We need that Living Water to motivate us to live righteously. Halleluyah!

Submitted by: Sister N. Roxby

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2004 Calendar

New Moon Days	Annual Convocation Days
Jan. 24	Annual Convocation Days
Feb. 22	April 6
Mar. 23	April 12
April 21	May 26
May 21	Sept. 16
June 19 (Border-line)	Sept. 25
July 19	Sept. 30
Aug. 18	Oct. 7
Sept. 16	7 days
Oct. 16	in all - the
Nov. 14	number of
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