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THE [BELIEVERS'] ALPHABET

Although things are not perfect

Because of trial or pain

Continue in thanksgiving

Do not begin to blame.

Even when the times are hard

Fierce winds are bound to blow

[Good Yahweh] is forever able

Hold on to what you know.

Imagine life without His love

Joy would cease to be

Keep thanking Him for all the things

Love imparts to thee.

Move out of "Camp Complaining"

No weapon that is known

On earth can yield the power

Praise can do alone.

Quit looking at the future

Redeem the time at hand

Start every day with worship

To "thank" is a command.

Until we see Him coming

Victorious in the sky

We'll run the race with gratitude

eXalting [Yahweh] most high.

Yes, there will be good times and yes some will be bad, but

Zion waits in glory, where none are ever sad!

Author Unknown [Adapted]

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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PRAISING

By: Elder George Kinney

Psalm 22:, (My Elohim) ... You are set-apart, Enthroned on the praises of Israel. So praising is a great way to have Yahweh near. Think about this in illness. With Yah enthroned on our praises, can the evil spirit of sickness remain long?

The following are some words from which PRAISE is translated and their meanings. HALAL (the most used word) - to shine, make a show, boast, rave, celebrate.* YADAH - hold out the hand, worship with extended hands. ZAMMAR - celebrate in song and instruments. *(Strong's even indicates: be clamorously foolish).

Some verses indicating the spreading out or lifting up of hands are Psalm 28:2, 63:4, 134:2, 141:2, 143:6 (I have spread out my hands to You); 1 Timothy 2:8; Lamentations 2:19.

Raise a shout to Yahweh, all the earth; break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises. Sing to Yahweh with the lyre, with the lyre and the voice of a song, with trumpets and the sound of a horn; raise a shout before Yahweh, the Sovereign. Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell in it. Let the rivers clap their hands; let the mountains sing together for joy before Yahweh, for He shall come to judge the earth. He judges the world in righteousness, and the people in straightness. Psalm 98:4-9.

Dance before Yahweh too: Exodus 15:20, 15:21; Psalm 149:3, 150:4. David and all the house of Israel danced before Yahweh with instruments, fir wood, lyres, harps, tambourines, sistrums, cymbals. David danced with all his might. He leaped and danced before Yahweh. 2 Samuel 6:5,14,16.

Clap hands too: Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to Elohim with a voice of singing! For Yahweh Most High is awesome; a great Sovereign over all the earth. Psalm 47:1-2.

PSALM 150

Praise Yah!
Praise El in His set-apart place;
Praise Him in His mighty expanse!
Praise Him for His mighty acts;
Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!
Praise Him with the blowing of the ram's horn;
Praise Him with the harp and lyre!
Praise Him with tambourine and dance;
Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes!
Praise Him with sounding cymbals;
Praise Him with resounding cymbals!
Let all that have breath praise Yah.
Praise Yah!

WHAT WOULD YAHSHUA DO?

Many believers look to the group of people that seem to be pure in their beliefs and live by many basic Bible truths. We see the lineage of our Savior from this same group. They keep (guard) the Sabbath, they honor one deity (Ha Shem). We know Him as Yahweh. We see they keep the Feast days of Yahweh and so many of us are pulled into some of their customs that are not commanded by Yahweh.

The scripture Mark 7:7-9 comes to mind, "Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. For laying aside the commandment of Elohim, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of Elohim, that ye may keep your own tradition."

Yahshua's own words in Matthew 5:19-20, "Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven."

"Pure religion and undefiled before Yahweh the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

We must be cautious about customs that do not represent the Savior of mankind. Look at all the customs of the world. Would Yahshua do any of these if He walked the earth today? Would He keep or celebrate Easter, X-mas, New Year revelry, or Mardi gras, just to name a few. For the customs of the people are vain ... Jeremiah 10:3.

Just as the children of Israel were not to take on any of the customs of the nations around about them, we are not to take on the customs of the nations/heathen around about us. For example, Yahweh's people are not to make cuttings in their flesh or print any marks upon themselves. Leviticus 19:28. I feel certain Yahshua would not deform, tattoo or pierce his body and would not wish His disciples to do so either.

We are called to be lively stones, a peculiar people who have been called out of darkness into His marvelous light. 1 Peter 2. Yahweh is sending out a calling for His people to come, get prepared for the great marriage supper; a bride class of people, and the bride is making herself ready.

If the holy (kodesh) spirit of Yahweh is working in our lives, then we should know the difference between right and wrong, good and evil. We know we are to follow Yahshua's example. Paul said in 1 Corinthians 11:1, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of the Messiah."

Be ye followers of Elohim, as dear children; ... Let no man deceive you with vain words ... For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in Yahshua: walk as children of light ... See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, ... Ephesians 5:1-15.

By: Pastor Samuel A. Graham

THY KINGDOM COME

1 Chronicles 29:11-13, "Thine O Yahweh, is the greatness, and the power and the beauty, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O Yahweh and thou art exalted as head above all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and weight; and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. Now therefore, our Elohim we thank thee, and praise thy renowned name."

Psalms 22:28-29, "For the kingdom is Yahweh's: and He is the governor among the nations. All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before Him: and none can keep alive his own soul."

Yes, when Yahweh's kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven, it will be ruled by Yahshua, the Son of Yahweh, our redeemer. He will rule with a rod of iron and with the omnipotent Spirit of Yahweh! He will be acknowledged as supreme power. Righteousness will be enforced under the everlasting commandments written by the finger of Yahweh. Exodus 31:18. These are the ten commandments given first to our Israelite ancestor Moses at Sinai. These ten commandments will be used in His kingdom. They are not, as some say, nailed to the stake and fulfilled. They will be upheld in a daily manner.

Yahshua said, "For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." Matthew 5:17-20. Yes, Yahshua will reign until He has put all things under His feet. 1 Corinthians 15:25-26.

All around us in this world today we see constant change and flux and instability. But when Yahshua reigns with His overcomers, righteousness will be the plumb line and it will be upheld surely and precisely during the time of His rulership. In the past and presently, we experience so many disasters, coastlines erode and change, islands appear and disappear, empires rise and fall, but the Word of Yahweh stands firm, unchanged and constant and forever. Please read Revelation 19:1-21. Truly, Yahshua will reign and His rule and reign will become more and more evident as earthly and human schemes vanish away. The fact is that Yahshua will reign here on earth in Righteousness and Truth. Therefore, we, His people praise and bless Him right now! Psalm 145:10-13 and Revelation 5:12-14.

The old worldly human system is disintegrating before our very eyes. Only the things of Yahweh endure. Ecclesiastes 3:14, "Whatever Yahweh doeth, it shall be forever. Nothing can be put to it or taken from it." That means stability. Yahweh's spirit is eternal, but all other things are fleeting and perishable. When will we learn that the wisdom and understanding of Yahweh exceeds that of mere man as the heavens are higher than our earth? When will we acknowledge that fact and pray that we may learn to bring, not our own limited wisdom, but the divine wisdom to bear on our earthly problems? How long must it be before we realize the truth of Yahshua's statement: "I can of mine own self do nothing." When will we acknowledge that Yahweh is indeed omnipotent and omniscient? Have we allowed the material mist that went up from earth to obscure the perfect creation of Yahweh? It would be good to read the second chapter of Genesis. Please read verses 1-3 several times and let Yahweh speak to you. Yahweh rested on the seventh day, blessed it and sanctified it. And this day should be sanctified in our time also, but man thinks to change times and days. In His Kingdom the sabbath will be kept for worship and resting.

What a contrast between worldly fables and Yahweh's facts. And yet today, many of our wise men (wise in the ways of this world), have no more vision than the unenlightened Gehazi before his eyes were opened through Elisha's prayer to Yahweh. 2 Kings 6:17. If we learn to know the truth, we too must turn from mere human assessment and turn to Yahweh for the true picture as Elisha did.

Today the people of this world are at a crossroad. It seems the world is continually faced with choices; what to accept as true and what to reject as false. But the kingdom of the Almighty and His Messiah must come and be established here on earth. Man will have to learn what he has missed all these years. Yahweh was, Yahweh is and always will be. A kingdom of righteousness will be set up with His anointed one Yahshua ruling. And His saints will be rulers with Yahshua here on this earth. Revelation 2:25-29. His saints, or overcomers, who obediently follow the way of Yahweh throughout their lives. Their hearts were and are fixed. Read Psalm 57:7, "My heart is fixed, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise." I hope and pray that your heart is fixed and you can sing praises to the One who created you!.

Our national leaders have too often reversed their proper role, and instead of obeying their creator, were and are upholding their own desires. We must pray that they are led to follow the counsel of 2 Chronicles 7:14-15, "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." "Now mine eyes shall be open and mine ears attend unto the prayer that is made in this place." That prayer is a petition that Yahweh may give humility and a spiritual vision.

I will say it again. Yahweh is unchanging, the same yesterday and today and forever. Therefore I put my trust in Him. That makes sense and that alone endures. Man will pass away, but Yahweh is, and will be and is waiting for you to praise Him with all your heart. Believe on Him, not in man, and be ready and waiting on His kingdom. The choice is yours, or will you go your own willful, suicidal way? Come, turn to Yahweh with all your sin and iniquity. He will pardon you, if you will repent, and the blood of Yahshua can make you whiter than snow. Yahshua can and wants to be your Savior, but you must come.

The spirit of many of the religious leaders and teachers of today is nebulous, shadowy and insubstantial. This is the exact reverse of truth. Using this false premise, they identify themselves and all mankind as material, victims of a short life-span, full of sickness and sinfulness. These teachers in their ignorance of spirit have reversed the facts and lose their salvation. Be not brain-washed. The glad tidings of truth, given by Yahweh to all mankind, continually directs us back to the Scriptures. Scriptural truth makes us free from these "old wives tales." Yahweh's truth is always waiting and ready to correct ignorant human beliefs and to restore sinners and their sinfulness to the normality which we have and find only in Yahweh. We have Yahshua's promise, found in John 8:31-32, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed and ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

There is a presence of His kingdom authority handed down to His own now, however let none of us forfeit the present dimension of kingdom authority by not pursuing the recovery of His rulership in our lives. If we walk in the spirit of Yahweh, life as Yahweh meant it to be can be recovered. We can receive all the fullness salvation holds for us as we rebuild the foundation of worship that Yahweh gave to man. "When we are looking at Yahshua with a real openness to His word and spirit, we will begin to brightly reflect the beauty of the Messiah and we will become like Him." 2 Corinthians

3:18. "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the splendor of Yahweh, are changed into the same image from splendor to splendor, even as by the spirit of Yahweh."

Do you realize, worship recovers all that Adam lost? It is Yahweh's way for each of us to find a progressively restored dominion in our lives. There is no dimension of Adam's that may not be recovered now in Yahshua. Some day, even the dimension of death changes.

First, the hope of everlasting life is promised to us, and certified with hard evidence - the resurrection of Yahshua the Messiah. But, we still have an appointment with death. Hebrews 9:27. Not even restored worship can recover immortality at this side of heaven (the kingdom), and contrary to the opinion of a few sincere souls, no one can command a certain date or assure a certain life-span. But, whenever death touches us through the passing of a loved one, the spirit of understanding in worship can transform the moment. Though tears may fill our eyes, dominion has returned to our being. The true worshiper is not ruled by death, neither by its force, nor by its fear, because Yahweh our Father surely has dominion over us. There is nothing to doubt, but only to believe His word, the truth.

Therefore, trust Yahweh with all your mind and heart. Psalm 91 gave me assurance and trust during all my lifetime and I can only say, Yahweh has blessed me abundantly! 2 Timothy 1: 8-10. It is good for me, and it will be good for you to have such trust in our Savior Yahshua, the son of Yahweh.

Have faith and trust in Yahweh more than in any mortal person. His kingdom will come and will be on this earth. Hold fast, stand strong, be unmovable and depend on Him, on Yahweh's word more and more. Look upward and forward until His kingdom is firmly established in you also. 1 Corinthians 4:20, "For the kingdom is not in word, but in power." Hebrews 12:28, "Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve Yahweh, acceptable with reverence and awe." May Yahweh speak to you and bless you.

By: Elder Otto Miesel

WELL WITH US

Do we like to be blessed, and it be well with us? To be such we need to fear Yahweh and walk in His ways. Psalm 128:1-2. In His Word, the Separate Scriptures, we read to proclaim separate convocations. Leviticus 23:2. In the King James version here they are called feasts. Some may get the idea from this that we are to eat a lot or even overeat at these gatherings. The truth of the matter is that the King James version can be misleading here. Checking in Strong's, Young's or other references for the meaning of the word from which "feasts" is translated, we find that the meaning is "appointed times". These are appointments like doctors appointments wherein we are to meet at a certain time at a certain place.

When we meet for these appointments, like at all times, we should fall in line with Yahweh's ways. We should not be overdrinking, overeating, or overspeaking. Be not among heavy drinkers of wine or with gluttonous eaters of meat; for the drunkard and the glutton become poor... Proverbs 23:20-21. When words are many, transgression is not absent; but he who restrains his lips is wise. He who has knowledge spares his words... Even a fool keeping silence is regarded as wise... Let your words be few. Proverbs 10:19, 17:27-28, Ecclesiastes 5:2.

By: Elder George Kinney

UNITY CONFERENCE REPORT

Ephesians 4:3 Endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.

The 17th Annual Unity Conference was held August 3-5, 2001 at the Assembly of Yahweh, 7th day, Cisco, Texas. We were warmly welcomed by the brethren and the weather. There were representatives from Arkansas, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Washington; with a representative from South Australia which made it an international conference.

Farris Wilks (Cisco, TX), welcomed all the brethren and gave an outline of the three day event. Samuel Graham (Eaton Rapids, MI), opened the Conference with scriptures from Psalm 133 and Ephesians 4 regarding unity, the purpose of these meetings and a short history of previous conferences. The first meeting included introductions of the various representatives and a short testimony from each of their activities in the work of Yahweh.

Larry Acheson (Plano, TX), spoke on the history of our Savior's name Yahshua, pronunciation, transliteration of the Greek language to the present time.

John Hawkins (DeSoto, TX), spoke on Yahweh's Commandments and especially the two commandments many believers want to leave out, regarding the Sabbath and taking His name in vain.

Marvin Wilson (Selina, TX), related the history of the Calendar at the time of Noah. He believes at some point the cycle of the moon and the earth were changed. He uses the conjunction (rebuilding on or after the vernal equinox to establish the first of the year). Editor's note: Most believers in Yahweh use the first sighting of the crescent moon to establish the new moon day.

Tom Martincic (Ava, MO), "Fathers, turn your hearts to your children." A very good presentation on the father's duties in raising, caring and providing for their children, with emphasis on teaching Yahweh's ways.

Jerry Healan (Atlanta, TX), spoke on Yahshua's love for us.

Eric Gentile (Dewitt, MI) - his message dovetailed Brother Martincic's with many good examples of how parents should be good examples. Eric had read in "Minister's Marriage Manual," the definition of marriage and he compared it to Yahweh's word regarding marriage.

Fred de Aryan (Caddo Gap, AR), gave a history lesson on Jacob and Esau and how it affects the world today. Also the "Separation of Church and State" doctrine of this present society. He mentioned the Book of Jasher and its value to a believer today.

Michael Mastropaolo (Ft. Smith, AR) - his topic "Healing, why not in the Assembly." He went on to explain his reasoning why every one is not instantly healed as they were in Yahshua and His disciples' day.

Jonathan Francis (Cisco, TX), spoke regarding the use of the word "Nike" a deity of the Grecian time period and how the adversary has deceived us. We see this name on T-shirts, tennis shoes, sportswear and sometimes in the Assembly of the saints of Yahweh. Let us remember who our creator is in the days of our youth.

Roeben Steffen (San Antonio, TX), presented an outline on the matter of Divorce and Remarriage. He covered almost all the scriptures in Yahweh's Word on this subject. His main point/question was (in Yahweh's eyes) should the innocent party in a divorce have to go unmarried all his/her life? His answer was no.

Matthew Janze and Arnold Bowen (Arkansas), co-presented "Can We Count the 7th Day Sabbath From the New Moon Every Month?" They read several passages to prove this point (Gen. 1, Ex. 16:1 & 22:16, Lev. 23:3, Eze. 46:1. Many questions followed.

RockeYah Spence (Brighton, IL) - his subject "In Order". He asked do we believe the correct scriptural order of apostles, prophets, teachers, evangelists still exists today? If so, then we should recognize those in these offices.

(Richard) YermeYah Lattier (Motorhome), presented "Who is Mystery Babylon Today?" His main purpose was to prove New York City, New York is this mystery Babylon of the 21st century.

Lloyd Brumbaugh (Ludlow Falls, OH), passed out hundreds of Name tracts and offered many various tracts to the brethren at the Conference.

Sabbath services at Cisco were led by Pastor Farris Wilks. Josh Wilks read Psalm 96. Larry Acheson gave the main message, "Give it Your Best Shot." Make every effort to please Yahweh. The one quality we should have in our hearts is the love for Yahweh and His truth. Let us work to develop that we all speak the same thing. There were ten or more song specials during the meeting. What a praise service it was!

Many thanks to the Cisco Assembly for hosting this Conference. The hospitality, food, etc. was exceptional and much appreciated. The Cisco Assembly has under construction, a new addition to their present building. It includes a new meeting hall, library, class rooms and a recording studio.

In conclusion, we have received printed reports that this conference was a success. I agree. We did miss Pete Vacca, George Kinney and Roger Norman, regulars at many of the conferences. Next year the 18th Annual Unity Conference will be held at either Rocheport, Missouri or back at Cisco, Texas. Look for correct dates and location in future issues of The Faith magazine.

In His Service,
Samuel A. Graham

YAHSHUA, THE FOUNDATION OF THE HOUSE OF YAH

"And they sang, praising and giving thanks to Yahweh saying, 'For He is good, for His loving kindness is upon Israel forever.' And all the people shouted in a great shout when they praised Yahweh because the foundation of the house of Yahweh was laid." Ezra 3:11

"For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid which is Yahshua Messiah." 1 Corinthians 3:11

When we have the foundation, Yahshua, in our lives, we will shout and praise Him for it! He is our foundation - Halleluyah.

Suzy Norman

THE SACRED NAME IN SCRIPTURES

By: Voy Wilks

The Name "Yahweh" in Scriptures: Is this something new, or has this name been in the Sacred Writings all along?

The name of the Creator, YHWH (Yahweh), has been in the Sacred Writings all along, in every generation since the time of Moses. All that is needed to prove this is to consult the Old Testament in the Hebrew language, and there it is - the four letters (the Tetragrammaton), the Sacred Name, YHWH. All Hebrew Scriptures contain the Name YHWH, and have done so since about 1,490 B.C.E.

Translations From the Hebrew

It is only the translations of the Holy Scriptures into English and other languages which do not contain the Sacred Name, YHWH. Instead of leaving the Sacred Name in place those 6,823 times, as it appears in the Hebrew Scriptures,

- English translators choose to substitute LORD.
- Greek translators usually choose to substitute Kyrios.
- Latin translators choose to substitute Deus.
- German translators choose to substitute Herr, the same title given to Hitler.
- Ad infinitum.

There are, however, at least seven Biblical Versions in which the Sacred Name, YHWH, has been restored to the Text, in whole or in part:

The Emphasized Bible, a Protestant Version (1897).

The Holy Bible in Hausa, one of several Nigerian languages (1932).

The Holy Name Bible, a Protestant Version (1963).

The Jerusalem Bible, a Catholic Version (1966).

The NIV Interlinear Hebrew\English O.T., a Protestant Version (1979).

The Sacred Scriptures, Bethel Edition, (1981).

The Scriptures, the Koster Version (1994).

[The Word of Yahweh, Assembly of Yahweh Version (2000).]

Ancient Evidence of The Name

- The Dead Sea Scrolls, some of which date to 100 B.C.E., contain the Name YHWH, just as modern Hebrew Scriptures do.
- A recently found papyrus roll of the Septuagint Version is dated in the 2nd or 1st century B.C.E.

Although these fragments of Deuteronomy are written in the Greek language,

"... not one of these fragments shows an example of Kyrios or Theos used instead of the divine name, but in each instance the Tetragrammaton is written in Aramaic characters. ... [This] proves the original LXX [the Septuagint Version] did contain the divine name [YHWH] wherever it occurred in the Hebrew original" (The Kingdom Interlinear Translation of the Greek Scriptures, Foreword, pages 11 & 12, 1969).

- In addition, fragmentary text of the Minor Prophets (of the Bible) found in a cave in 1961 in Wadi Nahal Hever, Israel are dated at 50 B.C.E. to 50 C.E. The report is as follows:

"Although the text is in Greek, one word, and one word only, repeatedly appears in Hebrew - the tetragrammaton, the four Hebrew letters YHWH, often spelled and pronounced Yahweh ... the ineffable name of God. Moreover, the tetragrammaton is written ... not in square Aramaic Hebrew script used at the time the scrolls were written, but in the paleo-Hebrew script used before the Babylonian exile in the sixth century B.C." (Books In Brief, Biblical Archaeology Review; March\April, 1991, page 4. Emphasis added).

Conclusion

What further proof is needed? The Creator's name has always been, and still is today, YHWH (Yahweh).

THE SIXTH LETTER IS WAW

By Voy Wilks

The 6th letter of the Hebrew alphabet (waw) is sometimes transliterated as vav. According to the Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament, * and other reference books, this is because of German influence. Did Germans influence the Hebrew language in Adam's day, or Noah's day, or in David's day? It is reasonable to assume they did not.

The German (Ashkenazi) influence arose only within the last 1800 years, after the Jewish dispersion in 135 C.E. As Jewish communities gradually developed in Eastern, Central and Western Europe, German influence eventually made its mark on the Hebrew language. From there the Ashkenazi influence spread to England and North America.

German influence was not present in earlier times, therefore the Hebrew language was not affected by German pronunciation until medieval and modern times. We can safely conclude that David, Isaiah and Jeremiah were not influenced by the German language and pronunciation.

Therefore, in ancient times, before the German influence was felt, the Creator's name was not spelled with a V (Yahvah), but with a W (Yahweh).

* Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament, by Harris, Archer, Waltke; Moody Press, 1980, Volume II, Page X.

The Story of the Aleph Beth, by David Diringer, Thomas Yoseloff Press, New York & London; Pages 180, 181.

Gesenius Hebrew Grammar, enlarged by E Kautzsch, Oxford Press; Page 26.

The History of Judaism, By Leo Trepp, Pages 127, 128.

How the Hebrew Language Grew, By Edward Horowitz, KTAV Publishing House; 1960, Pages 28, 29, 30.

THE MEDIATOR

By: Carlisle Pinder

When you come on your knees to YAHWEH
And your faults to Him confess;
And you know that you little deserve
To receive forgiveness:
There is One who will plead with the Father,
Who will shoulder your sin and shame;
There is One who will never fail you;
YaH-shua is His name.

When you come to your Heavenly Father,
Over and over again,
With the old threadbare excuses,
And pardon seek to obtain:
Your Saviour will say to his Father:
"In MY Name this petition was made;
MY Blood has purchased forgiveness;
O Father: the FULL price I paid."

WHAT PROMPTS ME TO PRAY?

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:36-46

"Keep watching and praying, that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." - Matthew 26:41 (NAS)

Three things lead me to pray daily. First, the need to develop my relationship with Yahweh. Second, the desire to make my faith something real and vital in my life. And the third, the effort to keep YAHWEH always at the center of my life.

When we commune with Yahweh through prayer, we receive the firm conviction of His presence in our lives. This communion with Yahweh, this being in His presence, is worth more in terms of spiritual vision and power than all the other aspects of prayer. The fact that prayer takes us into the presence of Yahweh makes it of supreme value to all of us.

Professor Harry Emerson, in his book *The Meaning of Prayer*, says that the value of prayer is not asking but "it is that loftiest experience within the reach of any soul, communion with Yahweh."

Thought for the month: YAHWEH channels His power to us through prayer. Prayer: O Abba Yahweh, help us through our communion with thee to find the answers to our needs and anxieties. For the love of your Son, Yahshua the Messiah. HalleluYah.

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TITHING

Trust in Yahweh's power to provide.

Incline your heart to Heavenly Treasures as taught by Yahshua the Messiah.

Think of how Yahweh's Ministry, His Feasts, and the poor and needy remind us of His great love and mercy.

Hope for Yahweh's abundant blessings surely given to those who Obey Him.

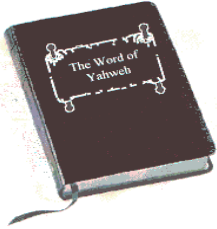
Improve your Faith and Spiritual Learning for growth.

Never withhold, delay or keep the tenth part of all your increase which rightfully belongs to Yahweh.

Give cheerfully and from the heart.

TITHING is one way of putting Yahweh first, then our neighbors as ourselves, by sharing His blessings. It is a Law of Giving and a Test of Heart.

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THANK YOU LETTERS

Sunday, August 6, 2001

Dear Assembly of Yahweh,

Just a thank you for the beautiful Holy Name Bible that was sent to me. It came as an unexpected surprise as I had requested one some time ago. Hopefully if I make a parole in February, I will send the \$40.00 of the cost of the Bible in hopes that another prisoner might receive one.

If possible would you please keep me on your mailing list for The Faith newsletter. Our small group of men continue to keep the Sabbaths and the Holy Days ...

In Yahshua Messiah,
John Condren, Rosharon, Texas

Sunday, August 12, 2001

Beloved,

I received the Word of Yahweh this past Wednesday and I can't tell you in mere words how glad I am! I did not remove it from the cellophane until this past Sabbath. I pray that I am able to serve our beloved Father Yahweh. The Word of Yahweh will guide me toward that goal. Thank you so much.

Stanley Joseph, Tipton, Missouri

ASSEMBLY OF YAHWEH WELLNESS CENTER

Thanks to the generous contributions and labor of love of numerous individuals the Wellness Center is now operating. The Center received its first guest on May 27, 2001. Since then we have had six program participants, all of whom stated that they benefited from the program. Also, three people have served as volunteer staff.

Our facility is located on 80 acres of wooded farmland, south of Lansing, Michigan where you can walk safely on quiet country roads. We provide a homey, family style atmosphere with comfortable, private or semi-private rooms, with individual or shared bathrooms. Our guesthouse has five comfortable beds and there is plenty of land for tents or self-contained campers.

Our focus is the teaching of the Living Foods Lifestyle as developed by Dr. Ann Wigmore in which we emphasize foods rich in raw chlorophyll, foods that are high in nutrients and foods that contain food enzymes and "life force". The Living Foods Lifestyle is not just a method to heal disease, although it has been used for this purpose. It is also a way to increase the quality of life, even if we are healthy. The Living Foods Lifestyle has been used to increase mental creativity, improve emotional balance, strengthen physical endurance and to maintain optimum weight.

We offer short and long term educational and health programs for people new to the Living Foods Lifestyle. We also offer food preparation and rest and relaxation retreats for people already familiar with the lifestyle.

Participants will greatly benefit from our two-week residential program; however, we accept individuals for one week and encourage those who are serious about their health to stay three or more weeks. After individuals have completed the two-week program they can request to participate as working guests, pay a partial tuition, and work three hours per day in building/yard maintenance, the grow room, the kitchen, teaching classes or performing housekeeping or office duties.

The current plan is for the Center to be open from March to November of each year. Our program dates for October and November are: October 14-27 and November 4-17. During our down time, staff will be available for telephone consultation, speaking engagements and support group development.

For additional information write us at 7881 W. Columbia Highway, Eaton Rapids, MI, 48827 or call (517) 663-1637.

Note: We need Believers who can volunteer two or more weeks to help with the center operation, such as building/yard maintenance, grow room, promotion, Speaker's Bureau, teaching classes, etc.

Paul states in Romans 12:1-2, "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of Elohim, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto Elohim, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of Elohim." (*The Word of Yahweh* version.)

Yahweh's

2001 Calendar

| New Moons | | Annual Convocation Days |
|-----------|---|-------------------------|
| Jan. 26 | YAHSHUA'S MEMORIAL (Passover) APRIL 9 Celebrate APRIL 8 after sunset | April 10 |
| Feb. 25 | FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD APRIL 10 through APRIL 16 | April 16 |
| Mar. 27 | FEAST (appointment) OF WEEKS MAY 30 See Leviticus 23:10, 11, 15, 16, 21 | May 30 |
| April 25 | FEAST (appointment) OF TRUMPETS SEPTEMBER 19 | Sept. 19 |
| May 25 | DAY (appointment) OF ATONEMENT SEPTEMBER 28 | Sept. 28 |
| June 23 | FEAST OF TABERNACLES (Booths or Huts) OCTOBER 3 through OCTOBER 9 | Oct. 3 |
| July 22 | LAST GREAT DAY OCTOBER 10 | Oct. 10 |
| Aug. 21 | | 7 days |
| Sept. 19 | | in all - the |
| Oct. 18 | | number of |
| Nov. 17 | | completeness |
| Dec. 17 | | |

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