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TO HAVE LIFE EVERLASTING YOU MUST LIVE IN THE WILL OF YAHWEH

"And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek them not: for behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh, saith Yahweh: but thy life will I give unto thee for a prey in all places whither thou goest." Jeremiah 45:5.

A promise given for hard places, and a promise of safety and life in the midst of tremendous pressure. "A life for a prey!" It may well adjust itself to our own times, which are growing harder as we near the end of the ages and the time of tribulation.

What is the meaning of "a life for a prey?" The new International Version of the Bible reads: "I will let you escape with your life" and "a life snatched out of the jaws of the destroyer," (or as David snatched out a lamb from the lion's mouth). It does not mean a removal from the noise of the battle, or the presence of our foes, but it means a table in the midst of our enemies, or a shelter from the storm, a fortress amid all evil, a life preserved in the face of continual pressure.

Paul's "divine" help, when the thorn remained, but the power of Yahweh was sufficient for him in all circumstances. "And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my power is made perfect in weakness. Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Yahshua's power may rest on me." 2 Corinthians 12:9.

Through the spirit of Yahweh, I ask myself and I ask you, my brethren, will we act as Paul did in all his difficulties? In giving thanks to our Almighty Father, who will make us strong in spite of our weaknesses. Let us act more prayerfully, more gladly, more delightedly in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties! For when we are weak, then we are strong!

Yahweh, give me my life for a prey, and in the hardest places I will be dependent upon you. Oh that we may be victorious! But, more often we pray to be delivered from calamities when we ought instead to pray, "Father, I thank you that I am sheltered in you and I trust in your strength and lay in your hands all of my troubles. I am delighted because I know I am sheltered in the Rock of all ages!"

I thank you, Yahweh, that no trouble will be too hard for me, because you Father have sent your son Yahshua. He is our Fortress, our Hold, and in Him we become strong. We can therefore remain in the midst of all difficulties because every situation must have passed our Father's eyes first. Psalm 33:18-22. (Continued on Page 13)

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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TWELVE Essentials of Life and Health

This is a feeble attempt to display **another dimension** to our Creator. Each time I read through the Scriptures I find something I hadn't noticed before. I don't think man will ever exhaust the full meaning of His Word. It is exciting to attempt it. In this study I have used the Sacred Name, Yahweh in place of *God*; Yahshua in place of *Jesus*; Messiah in place of *Christ* and Elohim (which is plural, Eloah is singular) in place of *Lord*. I chose the <u>Amplified Version</u> because it gives several meanings of the original form Hebrew or Greek. It is always wise to check everything using the <u>Interlinear Version</u> which is in Hebrew, Greek and English and lists every word with <u>Strong's Concordance</u> numbers. This I attempted to do. Lastly, and most importantly, I earnestly sought guidance through prayer. It is my hope to stimulate you to adventure into the Scriptures looking for hidden treasures. And when you do, please share them with me.

First we must recognize that Yahweh is an El of order. Thus creation was done in order. The essentials to our existence were established one by one, in order of need, before we were created.

First Essential, <u>Light</u> – Genesis 1:1 In the beginning Elohim (prepared, formed, fashioned,) and created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:3 And Elohim said, Let there be light and there was light. Isaiah 45:7 I form the light and create darkness, I make peace and create Evil; I Yahweh do all these things. He is ever thoughtful to give man the freedom to choose. If he had made only light, then what would be the choice? In creating light out of darkness ... He shows us the difference and then graciously allows us to make our own choice. It is one of the reasons that He commanded the man saying, You may eat freely of every tree of the garden. Genesis 2:17 Except of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and of blessing and calamity you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.

How long could we live without Light? In complete and utter darkness ... not at all ... for without Light, there would be no Elohim. 1 John 1:5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that Yahweh is light and in Him is no darkness at all. How could we live if Yahweh didn't exist?

Genesis 1:2 And the earth was without form and an empty waste, and darkness was upon the face of the very great deep. That is exactly what we are without His light ... an empty waste ... void. By His creation of light, we can now see what life would be without him ... nothing. If there were never any light we would never know what we were missing. But He didn't leave us in the dark ... no, He not only created light, but ... John 9:5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. John 12:46 I have come a light into the world so that whoever believes on Me --- who cleaves to and trusts in and relies on Me --- may not continue to live in darkness. He doesn't want us to be in darkness.

Genesis 1:5 And Elohim called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day. As He created the world out of darkness. The day begins in darkness, just as the world was created out of darkness; and then there is light. Yahweh's day starts at sunset ... from evening to evening. Satan has influenced man to begin the day at midnight (middle of the night). Is that logical? Yahweh begins the year in the spring with all things fresh and new. Why does the year begin in mid winter? Is that logical?

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Second Essential, <u>Air</u> – Genesis 1:6,7 And Elohim said, Let there be a firmament [the expanse of the sky] in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters [below] from the waters [above]. And Elohim made the firmament (the expanse) and separated the waters which were under the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse. And it was so. Genesis 1:8 And Elohim called the firmament heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

Genesis 2:7 And Yahweh Elohim formed man of the * dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath or spirit of life; and man became a living being (an individual personality).

How long could we live without Air? Several minutes ... And how long could we live righteously without His Holy Spirit (pneuma) to comfort and guide us? Only a miserable three score and 10 in this corrupt world and then lost for all eternity.

Third Essential, Water – Genesis 1:9,10 And Elohim said, Let the waters under the heavens be collected into one place (of standing), and let the dry land appear. And it was done. Elohim called the dry land Earth, and the accumulated waters, He called Seas ... The first baptism ... the earth rises from the water. 1 Peter 3:20,21 [the souls of those] who long before in the days of Noah had been disobedient, when Yahweh's patience waited during the building of the ark in which a few (people), actually eight in number were saved through water. And baptism, which is a figure of their deliverance, does now also save you [from inward questionings and fears], not by the removing of outward body filth (bathing), but by [providing you with] the answer of a good and clear conscience [inward cleanness and peace] before Yahweh, [because you are demonstrating what you believe to be yours] through the resurrection of Yahshua the Messiah.

How long can we live without water to drink? Several days. And outward bathing <u>is</u> necessary to remove filth. What about Baptism ... the symbol of burying the old man and rising to new life in Yahshua the Messiah. *If we are Born again ... we are promised life eternal* [everlasting].

Fourth Essential, Food – Genesis 1:11 And Elohim said, Let the earth put forth (tender) vegetation, plants yielding seed, and the fruit trees yielding fruit each according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth. And it was so. Genesis 1:29 And Elohim said, See I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the land, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. The original diet that Elohim created for man was fruits and nuts (usually the way to tell fruits from vegetables, is that fruit has seeds). Vegetables were added after man sinned. Genesis 3:18,19 Thorns and thistles shall it bring forth to you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. In the sweat of your face shall you eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you shall go. It was Elohim's intention that man would live forever. In the garden He gave man pleasant work ... no sweat ... no need, for before sin, there were no impurities ... no need to purge or eliminate. After sin and the curse of the ground, man would need to sweat .. he now needs to eliminate impurities (waste products). After the flood, meat was added to the diet and man's life span was greatly reduced.

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^{*} The same essential chemical elements that are found in man and animal life are in the soil. This scientific fact was not know to man until recent times, but Yahweh was displaying it here.

Genesis 7:2 Of every clean beast you shall receive and take with you seven pairs the male and his mate; and of beasts that are not clean a pair of each kind, the male and his mate. A list of the clean and unclean animals can be found in Leviticus 11 and Deuteronomy 14. Elohim didn't have to write the laws down. Man's mind and his memory in the beginning was so superior to ours. They never had to write anything down. Yahweh's laws were written in their hearts ... the law was no less in effect. In fact that is why He begins the fourth commandment (Exodus 20:8,9) with [Earnestly] Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy [withdrawn from common employment and dedicated to Yahweh your Elohim]. His people had been slaves in Egypt and the Egyptian's would not allow them to keep Elohim's sabbaths and feast days ... after 400 years of bondage and many generations of sin, Yahweh had to write the laws on tablets of stone to remind them. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, But the seventh day is 'a' Sabbath (the 7th day Sabbath is only one of ** His special sabbath days ... He has 7 more ... have you noticed how important the number 7 is. It represents perfection, or completion ...

The original diet designed by our Creator allowed man to live in good health and full of vigor. Adam lived 930 years. John 6:35 And Yahshua said, I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to Me will never be hungry and he who believes on and cleaves to and trusts in and relies on Me will never thirst any more. How long can we live without food? Several weeks ... How long can we live digesting the Word ... Forever!!!

Genesis 1:13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.

Fifth Essential, <u>Time</u> (Management) – Genesis 1:14 And Elohim said, Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night; and let them be for *** signs and **** seasons, and for days and years. In the organizing of time and days and years and seasons, preparation is made to bring order to man's life.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 To every thing there is a season, a time for every matter *or* purpose under heaven.

A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted.

A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to buildup;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;

A time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:11-14 He has made everything beautiful in its time; He also has planted eternity in men's heart and mind [a divinely implanted sense of a purpose working through the ages which nothing under the sun, but only Elohim, can satisfy], yet so that man cannot find out what Elohim has done from the beginning to the end. We will be discovering His precious secrets through out Eternity. I know that there is nothing better for them than to be glad, and to get, and do good as long

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^{**} A short study on the Feast Days is available upon request.

^{***} Signs Strong's number is #226 'Oth' meaning signals, beacons flags, monument mark, token

^{**** &}lt;u>Seasons</u> Strong's #4150 'MO Ed' meaning appointment, fixed time or season, a festival, congregation, place of meeting, feast, a place of solemn assembly, synagogue.

as they live. And also that every man should eat and drink and enjoy the good of all his labor; it is the gift of Elohim. I know that whatsoever Elohim does, it endures for ever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it; and Elohim does it so that men will (reverently) fear Him – know that He is, revere, and worship Him.

How long could we live without the routine of an orderly life? Studies have concluded that a person with an active life style and who is physically fit before retirement and then stops the activity abruptly, has a greater chance of dying before his first year is complete ... The meaning to his life ... the purpose ... the will to live ... is gone. Habits are hard to break and its hard to teach an old dog new tricks.. The word retirement is not mentioned in the Bible. Elohim does not want us to retire ... He wants us to work for and with Him until we take our last breath.

Sixth Essential, * Sunshine and Seventh Essential, Rest – Genesis 1:16-18 And Elohim made the two great lights, the greater light (the sun) to rule the day, and the lesser light (the moon) to rule the night; He also made the stars. And Elohim set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. The interval represented by one rotation of the earth upon its axis (24 hours) constitutes a day.

How long can we live without rest? Statistics show that stress is the number one cause of disease ... which leads to death. It takes years off of our lives. We need 6 to 8 hours of restful sleep a night. How long can we live without sunshine? Darkness causes depression ... In Alaska during the dark season when they receive very little day light, the suicide rate is higher than when the sunshine is longer.

Genesis 1:19 And the evening and the morning was the fourth day.

Eighth Essential, Recreation – The environment thus far is made up of beauty as in a canvas ... beautiful flowers and trees and sunshine and the moon and stars, the seashore, the sea. He is creating not only the necessities of life itself but much beauty for our eyes to behold. Now he adds to it the sounds in the air ... the song of birds, and their majesty of flight and in the ocean and seas, all kinds of interesting creatures. Simple pleasures are the enjoyment of the sights and sounds of nature. Through the appreciation of nature, all of our senses are stimulated, and our mind is attuned to the mere attempt to contemplate the wonders of Elohim, our Beloved Creator. He designed us to be curious and to appreciate change. We will ever be discovering His secrets through the study of all that was created by Him. Even the world recognizes the need for diversion from work, we need days off, and vacation time as a diversion from our daily routine. Notice the order again. He shows us what we can look forward to, (the benefits available) before we start our job. That is the way it is when we apply for a job ... we want to know what the benefits are before we start.

How long can we live without a break in routine? A day off? Elohim designed us to rest every seven days (seven being a perfect number). Studies have been made by testing the heart rate ... the result shows that the heart rate slows down every 7th day. Continuing the same routine every day will cause stress and thus shorten the life span.

Note that the moon cycles every 29 l/4 days; that is how we get our month. The year is calculated by the time it takes the earth to circle the sun. But there is no scientific

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^{*} Just a few attributes of sunshine: It decreases ... blood pressure, resting heart rate, blood cholesterol levels and blood sugar. It improves the electrocardiogram. It increases ... cardiac output, glycogen stores in the liver, energy, endurance, muscular strength, the body's resistance to infections (by the increase of lymphocytes and phagocytic index) and the oxygen carrying capacity of blood, adrenaline in tissues. Tolerance to stress, stimulation of sex hormones, tans and resistance of skin to infections are also benefits. * (Sunlight, by Sane R. Kime, MD, MS page 31.)

reason for the weekly cycle; it is found only in the Holy Scriptures. Man has tried to change the cycle to 10 days and it didn't work. The body that Elohim designed and created works on a 7 day cycle just like Genesis 1&2 states. And Elohim rested on the seventh day. Do you think He rested because He needed to ... or because this too, was one of man's needs? He created (in order) first light, then air, then water, food, time, night (rest) and day (activity). He was preparing the earth for man in the order of his essential needs to sustain life. Mark 2:27 And Yahshua said to them, The Sabbath was made for man not man for the Sabbath. Another note of interest, there are only two days that are named in the Bible. One is the Sabbath Day, which is the seventh day of the week and the other is the Preparation Day which is the sixth day of the week ... the day to prepare for the Sabbath that follows it.

Genesis 1:23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

Now the stage is set ... all the necessities of life are in place and each one placed in the precise order of need. What a precious and wonderful Elohim we have.

Ninth Essential, Work and Exercise – Genesis 1:24 And Elohim said, Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds, and domestic animals according to their kinds, and everything that creeps upon the earth according to its kind. Now the picture is perfect, there is life in the air and the sea and on the earth. Abundant life, sound and beauty to behold. A beautiful Kingdom to rule over. What is lacking? A being who could appreciate it all. Have you ever been to a beautiful place or witnessed an especially magnificent sunset, ... or perhaps you spotted an unusual bird or critter, without having someone special that you love, to share the moment? It seems to take away the pleasure of the moment. Could it be that this, is what Elohim was feeling now ... or maybe excitement in anticipation of the final step, ... the moment that His first created man, opens his eyes and beholds all that He has prepared for him?

He also knew that man needed responsibility (a job or work to do). Certainly, He could have made a garden that never needed tending ... like instant food or remote controls, so we could sit in our easy chairs and watch it all on TV. His desire is that we actively participate (be His partner and share with Him), take pride in the great and wonderful gift He so graciously gave us. He wanted man to set goals and to have the right to choose. He wanted man to be like Him. So He made pleasant work in the most beautiful garden the world has ever known. Genesis 2:15 And Yahweh Elohim took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden (meaning delight) to tend and to guard and to keep it.

How long can we live without exercise? Just as sunlight is important, as stated earlier, the merits of daily exercise increases the stamina and body's resistance to disease. It decreases stress, while increasing muscle strength and working up a good sweat rids the body of harmful toxins. We even look better. Aerobic exercise will cause the release of endorphins (similar to morphine), which is a natural high. We feel good. We sleep better. We even think more clearly.

Tenth Essential, Companionship – Genesis 1:26 Elohim said, Let us (Yahweh and Yahshua) make man in Our image, after Our likeness; and let them have complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth. Genesis 2:18 And Yahweh Elohim said, It is not good [sufficient, satisfactory] that man should be alone; I will make a helper meet (suitable, adapted, completing) for him. Genesis 2:21-25 And Yahweh Elohim caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam and while he slept He took one of his ribs — a part of his side — and closed up the [place with] flesh instead of it; and the rib or part of his side

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which Yahweh Elohim had taken from the man, He built up and made into a woman and brought her to the man. This was the first surgery and the first anesthesia. Then Adam said, This [creature] is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called Woman because she was taken out of a man. Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall become united and cleave to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not embarrassed or ashamed in each other's presence.

How long can we live with out companionship? The fact is, you and I would not even be here if our parents hadn't had the need for companionship! But would you want to live on this earth without anyone else, be it a life companion or friends, relatives ... just other people. I know I wouldn't.

Genesis 1:31 And Elohim saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good – suitable, pleasant ... And the evening and the morning were the sixth day. Genesis 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

Eleventh Essential, Worship - Genesis 2:2,3 And on the seventh day Elohim ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. And Elohim blessed (spoke good of) the seventh day, set it apart as His own, and hallowed it, because on it Elohim rested from all His work which He had created and made. Two special institutions were initiated during creation week: Sabbaths and Marriage (both relate to companionship). Elohim's special relationship with man and man's relationship to his mate (marriage is also a type or example of what He wants and expects from man in the worship relationship with Him) ... from Genesis to Revelation He speaks of marriage. Revelation 19:7, 8 Let us rejoice – and shout for joy – exulting and triumphant! Let us celebrate and ascribe to Him glory and honor, for the "marriage" of the Lamb [at last] has come and His bride has prepared herself. She has been permitted to dress in fine (radiant) linen – dazzling and white, for the fine linen is (signifies, represents) the righteousness – the upright, just and Elohim – like living, (deeds, conduct) and right standing with Elohim - of the saints (Elohim's Holy people). Yahweh wants to share a more intimate relationship with man than even a husband and wife. He wants us to become one with Him, He wants to give us the world. 2 Chronicles 7:14 If My people who are called by MY name shall humble themselves, pray, seek, crave and require of necessity, My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from Heaven, forgive their sin, and heal their land. His people are to be called by His Name. When a couple marries, the wife is then called by his name. He wants to give us His Name.

Satan doesn't want man to enjoy either of these relationships, because he, himself no longer is allowed to participate in them. Isaiah 14:12 How are you fallen from heaven, O Lucifer ... son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened and laid prostrate the nations [O blasphemous, satanic king of Babylon!].

Now he (Satan) focuses his power, working most diligently at the destruction of Elohim's Special times and man's family structure because he is no longer in right standing with Elohim, he bruised the heel (as predicted in Genesis 3:15) ... of Yahshua the Messiah on Calvary, our only acceptable sacrifice. The Messiah arose from the grave ... overcoming the second death. Revelation 20:6 Blessed (happy, to be envied) and holy – spiritually whole, of unimpaired innocence and proved virtue – is

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the person who takes part (shares) in the first resurrection! Over them the second death exerts no power or authority, but they shall be ministers of Yahweh and of Yahshua the Messiah, and they shall rule along with Him a thousand years. Yahshua paid our debt once for all (Hebrews 9:28).

Satan knows that *his head will be crushed* (as predicted in Genesis 3:15) at the second coming of *Yahshua the Messiah which is soon, very soon!!* Revelation 22:12 And behold I am coming quickly, and my reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

1 Thessalonians 4:13,17 Now also we would not have you ignorant, brethren, about those who fall asleep (in death), that you may not grieve (for them), as the rest do who have no hope (beyond the grave). For since we believe that Yahshua died and rose again, even so Yahweh will also bring with Him through Yahshua, those who have fallen asleep (in death). ... For Yahshua Himself will descend from heaven with a loud cry of summons, with the shout of an archangel, and with the blast of the trumpet of Yahweh. And those who have departed this life in the Messiah shall rise first. Then we, the still living who remain (on the earth), shall simultaneously be caught up along with (the resurrected dead) in the clouds to meet Yahshua in the air; and so always – through eternity of the eternities – we shall be with Him.

Satan can't stand to see man enjoying this relationship ... The keeping of all Elohim's sabbaths. The weekly 7th day Sabbath recognizes Him as our Creator. The seven other sabbaths or feast days draw us into a special and intimate relationship with our Savior, teaching us the way to achieve salvation.

1 Peter 5:8 Be well-balanced – temperate, sober-minded; be vigilant and cautious at all times, for that enemy of yours, the devil, roams around like a lion roaring (in fierce hunger), seeking someone to seize upon and devour. ... Satan also strives to destroy our Health, by tempting us in our eating habits, and our daily routines. We eat too much of the wrong foods, too little of the good ones and at the wrong times. We are either too lazy and don't exercise, or we work from daylight until dark, some of us don't take time to be in the fresh air and sunshine. We worry and cause stress to our bodies ... succumbing to all the devious plans of Satan. Instead we should Trust and obey our Father and His Son who Created us and who Loves us.

Twelfth Essential, Salvation – Before creation began, Elohim made a plan to save man should he fall (and sadly, He knew that he would for he knows the end from the beginning). Genesis 3:15 And I will put enmity (hostility, hatred) between you (the serpent, or Satan) and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; He (Yahshua) shall bruise and tread your (Satan) head under foot, and you (Satan) will lie in wait and bruise His (Yahshua the Messiah) heel. Isaiah 7:14 Therefore Yahweh Himself, shall give you a sign; Behold the young woman who is unmarried and a virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son and shall call His name Immanuel (Elohim with us). Galatians 4:4 ... when the proper time had fully come, Yahweh sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born subject to (the regulations of) the law. John 3:14 And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert (on a pole), so must - so it is necessary that the Son of man be lifted up (on the cross, or post). John 19:18 There they crucified him, and with Him two others, one on either side and Yahshua between them. John 3:16,17 For Yahweh so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only-begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish - come to destruction, be lost – but have eternal (everlasting) life. For Yahweh did not send His Son into the

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world in order to judge – to reject, to condemn, to pass sentence on – the world; but that the world might find <u>salvation</u> and be made safe and sound through Him.

Revelation 13:8 And all the inhabitants of the earth will fall down in adoration and pay Him homage (worship Him), every one whose name has not been recorded in the Book of Life of the Lamb that was slain (in sacrifice) from the foundation of the world. One day even the skeptics will recognize Him for who He is.

I am so grateful to Elohim for the creation of the world and for a plan to save sinners like me. I'm thankful to Yahweh for sending His Only Begotten Son to be born of a woman, and grow up in a world sick with sin. For allowing Him to be sacrificed in my place. And I am so grateful to my Savior, Yahshua for agreeing to come, feeling every pain and trial of temptation that man has ever endured, yet not yielding to it. He has given us an example to follow. And we can call upon the same power that He did while He walked this earth. I am so thankful that He died in man's place so that our sins can be forgiven and forgotten.

It is my prayer that whoever reads this will appreciate all that Elohim has done for us, how much He loves us. I pray that neither you nor I will break His heart. Choose Life and Light in place of death and darkness. 2 Corinthians 6:2 For He says, In the time of favor (of an assured welcome) I have listened to and heeded your call and I have helped you on the day of deliverance – the day of salvation. Behold, NOW is truly the time for a gracious welcome and acceptance (of you from Elohim), Behold, NOW is the day of Salvation! Please answer Him with total surrender. Give Him your heart, mind, soul ... your all. Accept and claim Him as your Savior ... Are you covered by His blood?

If you have never heard Him call you - Listen and heed it \underline{NOW} . None of us ever know how long we have on this earth. However long it may be, it is merely a vapor compared to the life we can look forward to through out eternity. The life we live now or the way we choose to live, will determine what our outcome will be. It's a test. If we choose to serve Yahshua, then He will consider us good candidates to live with Him forever, no worry or stress, no sickness or death, no sin, sorrow or regret, just the ultimate happiness, as it was intended in the Garden of Eden.

But <u>if</u> we continue to <u>ignore</u> Yahshua and the <u>essentials</u>, that he so graciously made just for our well being, and <u>if</u> we <u>procrastinate</u> obedience to Him, then before you realize, time will be up. It will be too late. Matthew 24:36-39 "But of that (exact) day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For just as in those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking (men) marrying and (women) being given in marriage, until the (very) day when Noah went into the ark, and they did not know or understand until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

Even though you may have already made your choice to live for Yahshua instead of self, it is always appropriate to renew your vows. He never tires of hearing us tell Him that we love Him that we adore Him. Submitted by: G.H. Mizell, 2274 Hwy. 375 E., Mena, AR 71953.

UNITY CONFERENCE 2001

Conference to be held August 3^{rd} , 4^{th} , and 5^{th} , 2001 at the Assembly of Yahweh (7^{th} day), Cisco, Texas.

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YAH'S YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAM OUTREACH MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL

Mission Statement - Yah's Youth and Family Program - Outreach Ministry International's mission is to witness Yah's love, through Yahshua the Messiah by giving of ourselves - our time, talent, resources and finances by:

- Caring for the poor, needy and handicapped as Yah blesses us
- Strengthening youth and family ties through counseling,
- Restoring the spiritually "weak" through reconciliation and
- Using our gifts to teach, train, and prepare the next generation by working through the Home, School and the Assembly (Church).

Humble Beginning – Yah's Youth and Family Program was founded in Washington, DC in 1970. It began out of a need to help our youth break through the barriers that hindered them in educational and social settings. One of these was lack of communication, another was lack of tutors to assist with reading and other disabilities. Last, but not least was a need to teach our youth the basic principles of Our Faith, as well as to teach them who they are: a peculiar people and chosen generation of our Heavenly Father Yahweh, entrusted with responsibility.

We started tutoring the youth, along with their parents in their homes, working with the schools to bring internal home problems to the attention of teachers and administrators. We had "open" dialog with the youth and members in the Assembly most Sabbaths (Saturdays). Class discussions were geared toward youth interest such as:

- Communicating with parents
- Developing meaningful relationships
- Handling peer pressure at school
- Respecting older adults
- Understanding your faith and commitment
- Being an example to other youth by your lifestyle and behavior among nonbelievers.

Our Commitment – The idea is to remind our youth of their commitment to watch out for each other (to become your "brothers keeper"), to excel in their studies in school, and to be an example to other youth in the Assembly and in their neighborhoods.

We pick children up for Sabbath school, along with some parents. We have monthly meetings, skits (short play/drama), song/duets, praying, Bible guessing games, memory verse reciting, poetry reading, as well as speakers from local assemblies and other community organizations. We have had Career Days, Health Seminars and Panel Discussions on various topics. We have pen-pal writing and prison ministry visitation. Clothing and food are distributed at the migrant camps at fellowship times, during the spring and summer months.

Yah's Youth and Family Program (YYFP) selected counselors for the young men (Elder Veney) and for the young ladies, Sister Betty Robinson (now deceased), Sister Elsie Smith, as well as Evangelist Verdell Thompson. Many issues were raised and resolved in these sessions. They proved to be fruitful and Yahshua greatly multiplied our family efforts.

About 1978, we started a weekly broadcast in Washington, DC from Temple Rock of Ages Assembly of Yahshua on station WUST, then later in Maryland on WANN and in Virginia on WEXR. We continued to broadcast for the next eleven (11) years, expanding

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our format to include children, other ministers and speakers, as well as panel discussions and live call-ins with questions and ideas. Yah blessed us to be a blessing to those near and far and to many that were sick and shut-in who heard Yah's Youth and Family live broadcast.

Letters from some of our correspondence poured in from countries such as Canada, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Philippines, Puerto Rico, as well as in the United States. Requests for Bibles, Tracts, Tapes, Clothing, Shoes, Bible Concordances, Dictionaries and Bicycles have inundated us, and still continue to come in. We give as Yah blesses us.

We mail Bible-based tracts on "Salvation and the Name" in English and Spanish. Other literature includes:

- The Sabbath in the New Testament
- Clean Food for Your Health
- From His Tail to His Snout-Unclean Food
- The Feast Days Still to be Observed
- Healthy Relationships
- Understanding Divorce
- You Have to Learn to Fight Back
- Remember Lot's Wife
- Forbidden Romance
- The Works of the Flesh

Tapes and literature now include the above as well as:

- Sanctification Part 1 and 2
- Customs and Controversy
- The 'Gifts' in the Old Testament
- Israel's Ordained Destiny
- Ascension Gifts in the New Testament
- Prophetic Utterance
- Spiritual War/fare
- Understanding Prophecy
- And others

Requests for "Word and Music Ministry" tapes, Bibles, Literature, Tracts, Clothing, Books and Money have outstripped our supply. Your help is needed. Send your contributions to M.L. Shuler, Yah's Youth & Family Program, P.O. Box 1509, Parksley, VA 23421.

Ministry Sponsors – The YYFP-OMI Ministry has urgent appeals for Evangelists, Speakers, Ministers to travel to various countries and teach and train local Pastors and Lay Members in evangelism and outreach ministry.

There are several ministers who would like to come to the United States to be taught and trained in the Messianic Hebrew Way of Life. Some have obtained visas and financial backing. They still need sponsors who will take responsibility for their housing and food. The length of time of sponsorship is spelled out in a written letter of agreement, along with comments and recommendations from their local Assembly. For more information send S.A.S.E. to: Yah's Youth & Family Program, Evang. Shuler or Evang. Elaine Portier, P.O. Box 1509, Parksley, VA 23421.

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TO HAVE LIFE EVERLASTING YOU MUST LIVE IN THE WILL OF YAHWEH

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We can therefore remain in the midst of them, as long as they continue, without any hurt.

Was not our Savior Yahshua tempted of the devil being hungry after fasting forty days and forty nights in the wilderness? Matthew 4:1-11. But then the devil left him and angels came and ministered unto him. Remember also, Daniel's friends when the furnace was heated seven times hotter. Unharmed in spite of the flames, calm and composed they walked in the fiery furnace. The Son of Yahweh was with them. Daniel 3:15-27. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego had completely surrendered to their Elohim. They showed to the earthly king, their trust and confidence in Yahweh. No threatening from Nebuchadnezzar could alter their convictions. Daniel found himself one long night in the lion's den. The outcome? His Elohim, whom he feared and trusted, protected him from the lions. He came out unharmed. Daniel 6:16-23.

We have to recognize that Yahweh rewards the faithfulness of His children. When we dwell in the presence of Yahweh, He enables us to dwell in the midst of our enemies. The above references should give us courage and the desire to deepen our love and commitment to our Creator and to our Redeemer Yahshua.

Yahweh's Word is full of prophecies and promises for the guiding and protection of those who put their trust <u>fully in him</u>. We have the ability to choose. Can we, will we, surrender fully to Yahweh and His Word? The decision is ours, but the reward is in Yahweh's hand. The time is close at hand and we must choose whom we want to serve.

Submitted by: Elder Otto Miesel

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UNITY CONFERENCE 2000 NASSAU, BAHAMAS

The Unity 2000 Conference was held Friday, July 14 through Monday, July 17, 2000 at Yahweh House of Prayer 7th Day in Nassau Village, Bahamas. The purpose of the unity meetings is for various groups and individuals who consider themselves a part of the Body of the Messiah to come together once a year in fellowship and the Unity of the Spirit.

Pastor Daniel Thompson and Mother Thompson, and the officers and Members of Yahweh House of Prayer Seventh-Day hosted Unity 2000.

When I arrived everyone was busy putting finishing touches on the Assembly Building (a new porch), new central air conditioning in the Dining Hall, decorations, etc.

The first meeting was scheduled for 7:45 p.m., Friday, July 14. The opening song "We Have Come Into This House" was led by Brother Demitrius Thompson (Youth Pastor), with prayer offered by Elder Miller and the welcome address by Pastor Daniel Thompson, whose exhortation was "We have the last great Message, His Name. Let us get ourselves in shape and be strong in the power of His Might."

The fellowship song, "You're My Brother, You're My Sister" was encouraging to those assembled as was the theme of this meeting, "To Unify the Body of Messiah." Pastor L. Henry's (Kingston, Jamaica) message, "Is it Your Heart's Desire to Serve Yahweh?" included Ephesians 4 regarding one faith, one body and the unity of the Spirit. He stressed that we have to be united with Yahweh ourselves before we can be united as brothers and sisters and spoke of the need in the Body for prophets, apostles, evangelists, pastors and teachers. We need to reach the point of liking a rebuke, letting the truth of Yahweh's Word burn within ourselves, and appreciating the work He has done in all of our lives.

Elder Calvin Jenkins (St. Kitts, Virgin Islands) related the high points of a conference in Dominica in June of 1999, and the positive outcome. He also read a letter from Joseph Sedra (Dominica, currently residing in New York City, New York) relating Elder Sedra's views on this conference.

Elder Lyndell Williams (Dominica, West Indies) exhorted the brethren of the Caribbean Islands to be one under Yahshua the Messiah. If we are Yahweh's people, we need to be teachable. We cannot stand still, we cannot mark time with the Sabbath message, the Feasts message or the Salvation message. We have not arrived until all the "gifts" are in operation in the Body.

A minister from the Freeport Assembly of Yahweh (an island next to Nassau) spoke of Israel, Jacob's Sons, and that we are the house of Israel, the lost sheep, and Abraham's seed. We are to guard the Sabbaths and guard His Word. A beautiful Hebrew song "Who is Like Him" was offered by two brothers from the Freeport Assembly.

A speaker from New York exhorted us to wake up that Spirit in man, and connect to Yahweh's Spirit. Let us be of one mind and intent to serve Yahweh. There should be no competition, we must nurture the young ones in the Faith.

Brother Roger Norman (Fort Worth, Texas) gave a wonderful message on "Marriage" and why the youth should abstain and save themselves (until marriage) for their mates. We should keep ourselves pure just as the Bride (Israel) is purifying itself for Yahshua the Messiah. The seminar was well attended and professionally done. Roger and Suzy Norman are busy with this program in the Fort Worth area. The Body needs more programs like this to train our people in being set apart (separated).

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Elder George Garner (from the Rocheport Assembly in Frystown, PA) spoke on Yahweh's Laws (Revelation 22:14). We need to do His commandments to reach the Kingdom. Matthew 5:18-19, not even the smallest part will pass from the law; whoever breaks one of these least commandments, will be called the least in the Kingdom. Deut. 27-28, regarding Yahweh's blessings and cursings. He emphasized teaching these laws to our children and to endure chastening from Yahweh, for whom Yahweh loves, He chastens (Hebrews 12:6).

Pastor Samuel Graham (Eaton Rapids, Michigan Assembly of Yahweh) spoke during the Sabbath morning services regarding its theme "To Encourage One Another." To encourage from Strong's Concordance, means to fasten upon, to seize, be strong, courageous, help; and to edify, to build up. We must help the brethren to esteem each other in the most set apart Faith. Pastor Graham read the article "Attitude" from The Faith magazine and encouraged all to put on Yahweh's armor and be zealous of spiritual gifts for the Body of Yahshua.

Brother Sidney Davis (Bible Sabbath Assn., Great Lakes, Illinois) related that Charles E. Bradford of the North America 7th Day Adventist sent their greetings; and said, "This is no accident we are here, it is planned by Yahweh, we are here to meet each other."

A ministerial meeting was held Sunday, July 16, "Promoting Open Dialogue Among Ministers, Elders and Deacons" and moderated by Elders Calvin Jenkins and Lyndell Williams. Each minister, etc., had an opportunity to voice their concerns for the Body of Yahshua and their ideas to help the Body to move forward in its efforts to bring Yahweh's message to this dying world.

Sister D. Mickens (of Temple BethEl, Bronx, New York) related some experiences in the growth of the Assembly there and told of the great work her husband did to convert an old warehouse into a place of worship under Yahweh's banner. She asked for prayer regarding plans for a kitchen for the homeless close to the worship hall and also for the future of their group. Elder Mickens died early this year and has been greatly missed by the brethren.

Pastor Sister B. Davis (Pittsburgh, PA) stated we all have the basics, but we all need fine tuning. The foundation has already been laid, all must seek Him for the mercy door is soon to be closed.

Sister Elaine Portier (Pittsburgh, PA), whose mother is Mymie Shuler, gave a stirring message "Yahweh is Spirit and we must worship Yahweh in Spirit and in Truth." We need to learn to be tolerant of each other. These two mothers of Israel are speaking Yahweh's Word with boldness and with power, like Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth in Judges 4.

Brother Sylvester Anthony (Pittsburgh, PA) prophesied, "I fill your vessel. I have filled your vessel. Put your feet on a firm place. Surely declare the creation of Yahweh. I want to walk on a high place with each of you. Come with me. I will show you a better place. I have filled your vessel. I have sought me a people. I called you to a different task. Praise Him. HalleluYah."

There were many testimonies, special songs and offerings, etc. and not enough space to mention them all. Thank you to each and everyone. A special thank you to the Nassau Village Assembly for the warmth, love and fellowship we all received. They have extended an open invitation to believers in Yahweh to visit their Assembly in beautiful Nassau, Bahamas.

The Unity 2000 Conference was truly a blessing to all who attended. Submitted by: Pastor Samuel A. Graham

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2001 Calendar

New	YAHSHUA'S MEMORIAL (Passover)	Annual Convocation	
Moons	APRIL 9 Celebrate APRIL 8 after sunset		
Jan. 26	Celebrate Al Kill 6 and sunset	Days	
Feb. 25	FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD APRIL 10 through APRIL 16	April 10	
Mar. 27	FEACT (and cinture and OF WEEKS	April 16	
April 25	FEAST (appointment) OF WEEKS MAY 30 See Leviticus 23:10, 11, 15, 16, 21	May 30	
May 25		Sept. 19	
June 23	FEAST (appointment) OF TRUMPETS SEPTEMBER 19	Sept. 28	
July 22	DAY (appointment) OF ATONEMENT SEPTEMBER 28	Oct. 3	
Aug. 21	SEI TEMBER 20	Oct. 10	
Sept. 19	FEAST OF TABERNACLES (Booths or Huts) OCTOBER 3 through OCTOBER 9	7 days	
Oct. 18		in all - the	
Nov. 17	LAST GREAT DAY	number of	
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