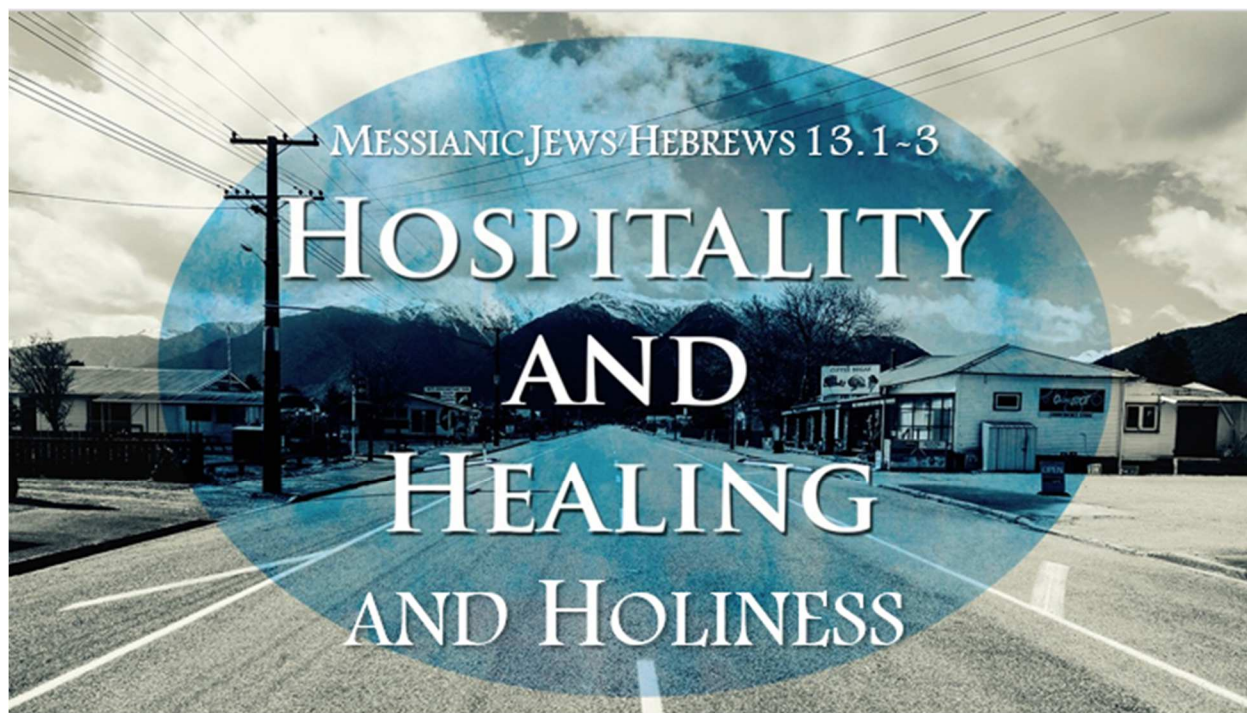


March 11, 2023
Letter to the Messianic Jews 13:1-3
Hospitality, Healing, Holiness

The Earth is 70%
uncarbonated
water.
Therefore the Earth
is flat.

[From Scott Hahn, our Culligan Water man. He should know!]

I thought I was done with the Book of Messianic Jews/Hebrews. On and off since January 25, 2020!
Then as I was considering today's message, I had a sense to look at that last chapter ...



Mes Jews/Hebrew 13.1-3 **Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers — for in doing so, some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember the prisoners as if you were fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you also were suffering bodily.**
[I'm using "hospitality" in a wider sense. Food, also a welcoming, embracing spirit.]

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from *Yeshua Revolution* movie



OK for me to call it that?

Not ready to show hospitality to strangers ...

I wept through at least half of it. It was my story. Centered on Chuck Smith, Lonnie Frisbee, Greg Laurie. (Left out the whole Jewish awakening piece since too broad of a story. Lamb, Israel's Hope, Bob Dylan, Keith Green. Lamb music often in the top three of the national Contemporary Music and sales charts all through the 1970s.)

Here is a table of joyful community. Maybe, to many of them, previously unknown joyful community. Me, the Quintanas invited us home after service. First EVER interaction of husband wife, parents children, WITHOUT friction. My beloved Aunt and Uncle ALWAYS bickering.

Irate congregants leaving "invaded" space



Not ready to show hospitality to strangers ...

Hospitality can mean hugs!

Uncertain congregant response ...

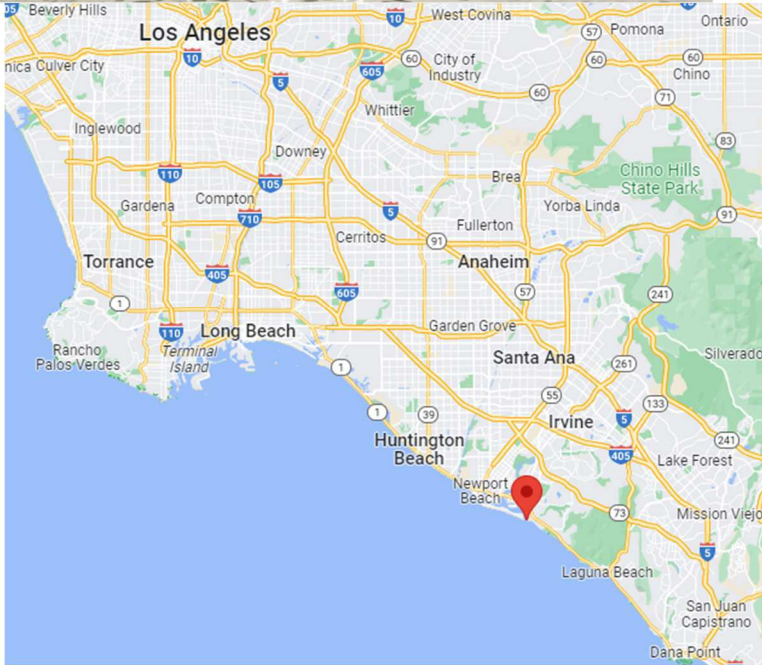


"Let's get on with it!"





Corrected Pirate's Cove, in southern California.

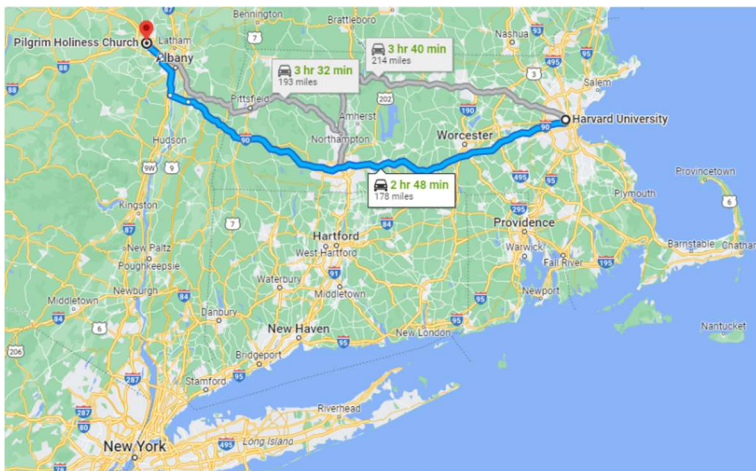


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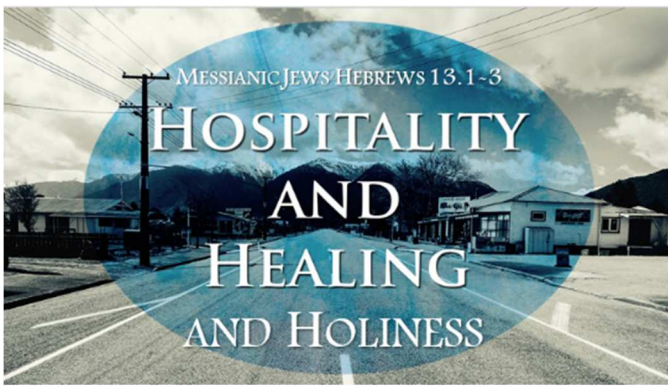
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Later a scene where about a dozen kids came unannounced from Texas to Pirate's Cove to be immersed. Greg Laurie was there. [Transformative immersion? It happens.]



~1970 Rob A. from Harvard U in Boston. One Wednesday night to Schenectady Pilgrim Holiness Church prayer meeting! Felt the PRESENCE. 2 hr 48 min (178 miles) drive. My friends Chuck L and Pam shared with him about salvation in Harvard dorm.]



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Key to Readiness for Revival/Awakening?

Ro. 2.4 God's kindness is intended to lead you to turn

from your sins in repentance.

Mark 1.14-15 Yeshua came into the Galilee, proclaiming the Good News of God. "Now is the fullness of time," He said, "and the kingdom of God is near! Turn away from your sins, and believe in the Good News!"

[Everything we do ... elegant music, dance, Torah, message, lifestyle, holidays, food, to express Glory of King Yeshua, draw men and women to see their sins and repentance to LIFE.]

Brent McCorkle, who directed the film alongside Erwin, said, "*Jesus Revolution* is all about love. After all, you can't spell 'revolution' without 'love.' My heart for this film is that people who watch it have a stirring inside that calls them back to love, to getting back to the practice of caring for each other again, just as Yeshua did.

[https://metrovoicenews.com/jesus-revolution-movie-quadruples-box-office-expectations/]

Ro.14.17 The Kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness, shalom and joy in the Ruakh HaKodesh. *[NOT dismissing dietary laws, just FOCUS.]*

Yn 16.7-11 The comforting Counselor ... I will send him to you. "When he comes, he will show that the world is wrong about sin, about righteousness and about judgment — about sin, in that people don't put their trust in me; about righteousness, in that I am going to the Father and you will no longer see me; about judgment, in that the ruler of this world has been judged.

Eph 3.10-11 Through Messiah's community the multi-faceted wisdom of God might be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places, which is in keeping with the eternal purpose that He carried out in Messiah Yeshua our Lord.

[YOUR LIFE vindicates and glorifies and accomplishes G-d's purposes in Messiah's redemption.

You are significant.

lyov/Job complained that his sufferings were meaningless ...]

lyob 19.21-27 "Pity me, friends of mine, pity me! For the hand of God has struck me! Must you pursue me as God does, never satisfied with my flesh? I wish my words were written down, that they were inscribed in a scroll, that, engraved with iron and filled with lead, they were cut into rock forever!

[His life seemed hopeless and meaningless. G-d doesn't care. All useless. You may think that, but even your meals are to His glory.]

lyob 19.21-27 "But I know that my Redeemer lives, that in the end he will rise on the dust; so that after my skin has been thus destroyed, then even without my flesh, I will see God. I will see him for myself, my eyes, not someone else's, will behold him. My heart grows weak inside me!

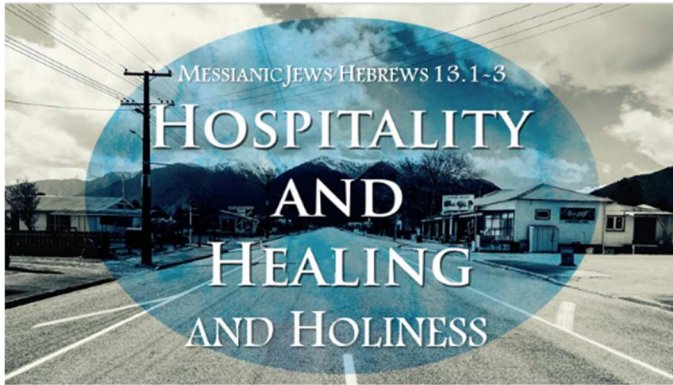
1 Cor.10.31 Therefore, whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Of repeated summary of all Jewish holidays:

They tried to kill us.

G-d saved us.

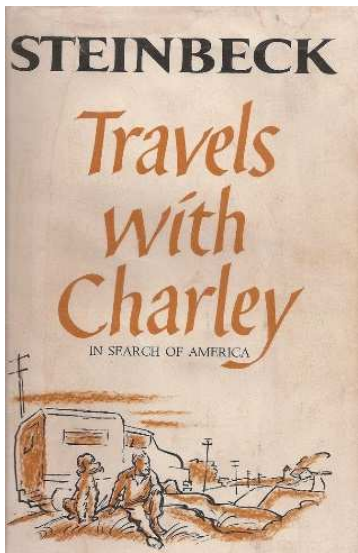
Let's eat.



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How do we receive people, new and known?

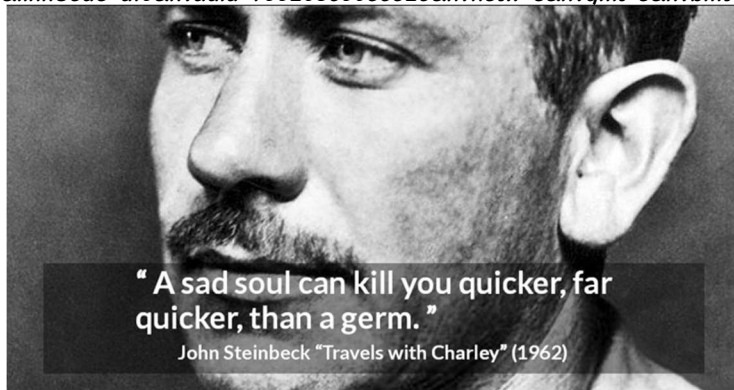
It's not about food, [The Kingdom of God is not eating and drinking] but it is about eating.



I read it as a teen, and remember a profound statement: "You haven't been anywhere until you've eaten a meal with the people." [Can't document it. Wasted too much time looking for the quote.]

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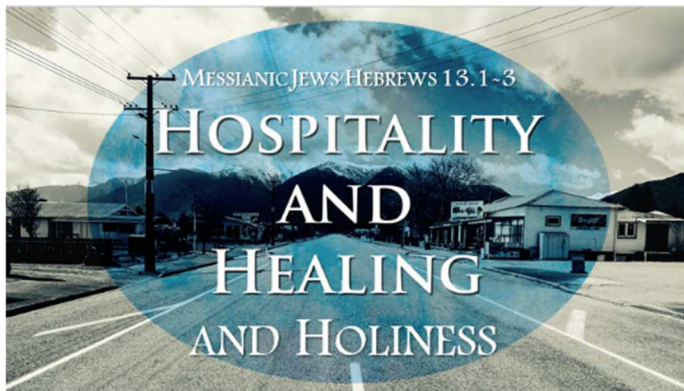
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- Eating together was always impressed on us as vital. It was the crucial ritual that held the family together, and even in my teenage rebellion, I knew that it was. Knowing that there was always a place for me at the table gave me the security in myself to find the independence I so craved. I can see it now very clearly.

- Sometimes, eating alone can be the loneliest of experiences.
- Between 2014 and 2018 it is reported that restaurant dining alone in New York has increased by 80%.
- We are becoming more and more disconnected from society, retreating into our own private world, increasingly connected online.
- Food delivery services are booming and much of their use is for single meals to be consumed alone.
- Up until very recently the focal point of every family has been sitting around the table eating. It has been very hard to break, but to a certain extent the food industry has achieved it.
- Look at the French paradox, they eat a lot of fatty food, but they're not fat, because of the very structured and controlled way in which they eat - small portions and eating slowly, talking between courses, so you feel satiated sooner.
- Analysis of a survey of about 8,000 adults by Oxford Economics and the National Centre for Social Research suggested eating alone has a stronger link to being unhappy than any other factor except mental illness.
- Eating together creates social bonds, it's one way to ensure we spend less time alone
- Maybe we simply don't have the time to sit down and eat together every evening as we used to, but despite the phalanx of factors pushing us to dine alone, that desire to come together around food remains indomitable.
- "The feeling of cooking for people you love and sitting down to eat it together, and feel the bonding, is the most human thing we can do. It's what brings us together and keeps us together. Maybe we need that now more than ever. We lose it at our peril."

[<https://www.finedininglovers.com/article/eating-alone-against-our-nature>]



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Scriptures on the table, that is, on meals together.

T'hilim/Psalm 133.1 Oh, how good, how pleasant it is for brothers to live together in harmony.

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Translations of שֵׁבֶת

Sitting, seat, dwelling

Beresheet/Gen 18.1-8, 16-17 Adoni appeared to Avraham by the oaks of Mamre as he sat at the entrance to the tent during the heat of the day. He raised his eyes and looked, and there in front of him stood three men. On seeing them, he ran from the tent door to meet them, prostrated himself on the ground, and said, [Tanakh reference in MJ text] "my Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, please don't leave your servant. Please let me send for some water, so that you can wash your feet; then rest under the tree, and I will bring a piece of bread. Now that you have come to your servant, refresh yourselves before going on." "Very well," they replied, "do what you have said." Avraham hurried into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quickly, three measures of the best flour! Knead it and make cakes." Avraham ran to the herd, took a good, tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to

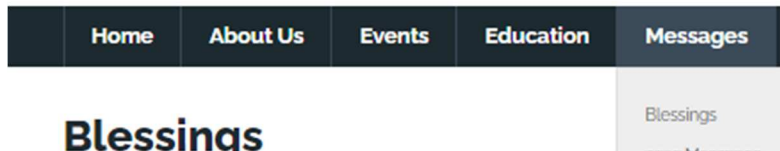
prepare it. Then he took curds, milk and the calf which he had prepared, and set it all before the men; and he stood by them under the tree as they ate...The men set out from there and looked over toward S'dom, and Avraham went with them to see them on their way. ADONI said, "Should I hide from Avraham what I am about to do?"

T'hilim/Psalm 23.5-6 **You prepare a table for me**, even as my enemies watch; you anoint my head with oil from an overflowing cup. Goodness and grace will pursue me every day of my life; and I will live in the house of Adoni for the length of days.
[One of the visitors was Adoni! Described as an angel, or messenger. Yeshua! How did Avraham welcome them? With food!]

T'hilim/Psalm 41.10 **Even my close friend**, on whom I relied, who **shared my table**, has turned against me.

T'hilim/Psalm 128.3-4 **Your wife will be like a fruitful vine** within your house. Your children will be like olive saplings **around your table**. Behold, thus will the man be blessed who fears Adoni.

That is why erev Shabbat meal and blessings have developed in Jewish culture as so significant! Candle lighting, Song, Blessing on the wife, the husband, the children, the wine, the bread/food. [You may say, "I don't know the blessings."] They are at the Or HaOlam website. Go to Messages/blessings



<https://orhaolam.com/index.php/downloads/blessings-2>

Gal 2.11-12 **Furthermore**, when Kefa came to Antioch, I opposed him publicly, because he was clearly in the wrong. For prior to the arrival of certain people from [the community headed by] Ya'akov, he had been eating with the Gentile believers; but when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, because he was afraid of the faction who favored circumcising Gentile believers. *[Doesn't say he ate pork or unkosher food, but visiting!]*

No one should sit alone at Oneg. Look for isolated people.

1 Tim 5.9-10 **Let a widow be enrolled** on the list of widows only if she is more than sixty years old, was faithful to her husband, and is known for her good deeds — as one who has reared her children well, **showed hospitality**, **washed the feet of God's people**, helped those in trouble, and engaged in all kinds of good work.

Ro 12. 11-13 **Don't be lazy when hard work is needed, but serve the Lord with spiritual fervor. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in your troubles, and continue steadfastly in prayer. Share what you have with God's people, and practice hospitality.**

1 Kefa/Pet 4.9-10 **Above all, keep your love for one another constant, for "love covers a multitude of sins." Be hospitable one to another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of the many-sided grace of God.**
[I LOVE to hear stories of congregants socializing.]

Iyov/Job 31.16-18 **"If I held back anything needed by the poor or made a widow's eye grow dim [with tears], or ate my portion of food by myself, without letting the orphan eat any of it— No! From my youth he grew up with me as if with a father, and I have been her guide from my mother's womb! [Evidence of Iyov/Job's righteousness. Invited needy people to table fellowship.]**

Beresheet/Gen 26 26-30 **Now Avimelech went to him from [Philistine] Gerar along with Achuzzat his friend and Phicol the commander of his army ... They said, Let there now be an agreement between us— between us and you—and let us make a covenant with you: that you will do us no harm, just as we haven't touched you and just as we did nothing to you but good, and sent you away in shalom. You are now blessed by Adonai." Then he made a feast for them and they ate and drank.**
[Covenant ratified by eating!]

- Meals at weddings, Bar Mitzvahs, Brit Milah express covenant.
- Kiddish cup at a wedding IS the covenant meal.
- You can likely entertain one or two at your home!

One remarkable feature of Oriental hospitality is that sometimes an enemy is received as a guest, and as long as he remains in that relationship, he is perfectly safe and is treated as a friend. There are certain Oriental tribes of tent-dwellers who have the rule that an enemy who has "once dismounted and touched the rope of a single tent, is safe."

[<https://www.ancient-hebrew.org/manners/the-sacred-duty-of-hospitality.htm>]

Acts 2.46-47 **Day by day they continued with one mind, spending time at the Temple and breaking bread from house to house. They were sharing meals with gladness and sincerity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And every day the Lord was adding to the community those being saved.**

[Fellowship over food was a key factor in the revival environment.]

Rev.19.9 **How blessed are those who have been invited to the wedding banquet of the Lamb!**
[Doesn't merely say to the wedding, but to the wedding banquet. Covenant celebration!]

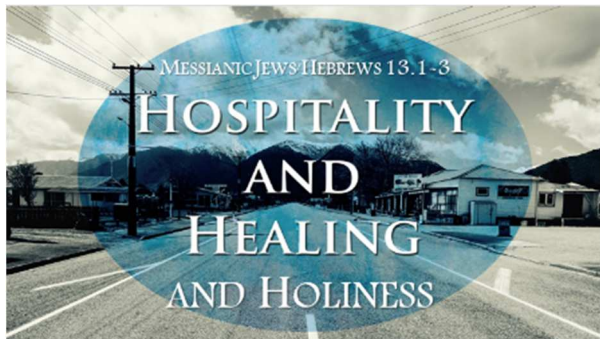
A practical matter ...



Food arrived during worship dance. Makes lots of work for Oneg team.

For oneg contributions

1. Please bring salad food ready to serve: sliced, mixed, cut up, chopped, stirred, so volunteers just bring it out from the refrigerator
2. If hot food, please put in warming oven [no plastic] [under microwave] or in crock pot plugged in.



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In the 1960s nuclear war threat, pollution, Vietnam, crass materialism led to a deep void in our hearts, one that led many of us to a transformational encounter with the Lord during the Yeshua Revolution. Unfortunately, it was not only the Lord who filled that void. Satan and the world rushed in to fill it too, especially with sex, drugs, rock music, and Eastern religion. That was the path many of us took before we came to know the Lord, a path from which many others never returned.

In our day, as a young generation deals with its own set of uncertainties and frustrations, longing to see justice and equality prevail, Satan and the world have rushed in to hijack these sentiments, many of which are good and noble in themselves. Nowhere is this clearer than in the hijacking of *empathy*, defined as “the ability to understand and share the feelings of another.” It is partly because of empathy that a disproportionate percent of Gen Z’ers identify as LGBTQ+, even though only a small percentage of them are actively, let alone exclusively, involved in same-sex relationships and activity.

[https://askdrbrown.org/article/the-hijacking-of-empathy-and-equality?vcrmeid=UqIK1HfhqUK5DFXSeMqX6A&vcrmiid=n8-9Ls_siEGdG64—fUPAw]

What can we offer?

Mt.10.42 Indeed, if someone gives just a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my talmid — yes! — I tell you, he will certainly not lose his reward!”
With the WATER of LIFE in Yeshua!

A helpful message from Asher Intrater in Jerusalem about comfort, fellowship from G-d in these stressful times.



[https://video.wixstatic.com/video/c39fc4_c7073b7c7bef4c2d9462551dcce0e08c/1080p/mp4/file.mp4]

Nick Hall and his Pulse ministry held an event in downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota. More than 600 people showed up at the impromptu worship service that ran 53 hours and was filled with repentance, healing, literal addictions being broken, marriages being healed, he recalled.



One place where the outpouring is being felt is Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. At a recent meeting, 300 students came to watch the Collegiate Day of Prayer simulcast from Asbury in Wilmore, Kentucky. Dr. Malachi O'Brien posted to Twitter on Wednesday that the students brought in a pool for what they thought would be three baptisms – instead 20 people came forward to be baptized. *[Purdue University is a public land-grant research university in West Lafayette, Indiana, and the flagship campus of the Purdue University system. The*

university was founded in 1869 after Lafayette businessman John Purdue donated land and money to establish a college of science, technology, and agriculture in his name.

<https://www1.cbn.com/cbnnews/us/2023/march/new-reports-of-revival-20-baptisms-at-purdue-evangelist-chastises-critics-god-is-moving-its-just-starting>

From Stewart Winograd:

We first met Zoya at a holiday event for new immigrants from Ukraine, Russia, and other parts of Eastern Europe, hosted by our daughter Miriam. There she told her story about her escape from Mariupol, one of the worst hit cities in Ukraine, with her young daughter and son in March 2022, soon after the war started.

She recalled the horrors of packing her two scared kids in her car, kissing her husband goodbye not knowing if she would ever see him again, and driving to leave Ukraine while missiles and bombs were going off all around them.

While she drove, she said there were no street signs on the road (all signs had been removed), no traffic lights or street lights were working anymore, and there was no internet to use GPS. She just kept hoping and praying she was driving in the right direction towards the border of Moldova and wouldn't run into any Russian check points, as she heard they were opening fire on civilian cars.

Though she was very afraid, Zoya kept herself composed for the sake of her two children. She drove for two days without sleeping, not allowing herself to rest until she crossed the Moldovan border. From there, she immigrated to Israel.

Just this month, Miriam and a congregational leader took Zoya and two other new immigrants on a small personal tour of the Judean desert, where they stopped at the Dead Sea, visited Qumram,



and most importantly, went to the Jordan River, where Yeshua Himself was immersed.

Zoya told Miriam "Today, I want to be immersed in the same place where Yeshua was immersed!" And so she was!

[Qasr al-Yahud

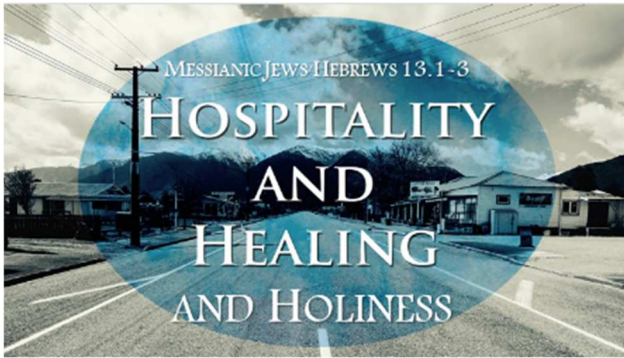
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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Qasr_al-Yahud]

Our upcoming outreaches

1. Passover April 6
2. Lag B'Omer bonfire Monday 5/8
3. Shavuot/Memorial Day 5/28

All involve food hospitality!



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Sitting, seat, dwelling

1. Do you KNOW Yeshua and drinking the water of LIFE?
2. Are you hearing daily from His Word?
3. How are you applying what you heard?
4. Are you offering that water of life to anyone?