

Calendars - Why you need to Know

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Shabbat Shalom Family and Brethren,

As in many of the previous News Letters, I have set out to prove to you certain things as if we were in a court of law. This is the logo you see when you first go to the home page of the Sighted Moon web site https://sightedmoon.com/sightedmoon_2015/ That is to prove all things. It is taken from 1 Thessalonians 5:16-22 16 Rejoice evermore. 17 Pray without ceasing. 18 In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. 19 Quench not the Spirit. 20 Despise not prophecies. 21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. 22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.

I know that this News Letter is going to be way ahead of many of the readers on this list. I do hope that over the next year or so I will be able to get you all up to speed so that each and every one of you will be able to explain the things we covered. And that is the whole purpose of these weekly News Letters, to show you what the truth is and how to separate it from the lies that we have all believed. Many of you have expressed utter shock at those things we have shared. Things that you thought were so traditional to your beliefs, before your eyes were opened to know the truth.

It is with this court room mentality, to prove all things, that we will now endeavor to show you why you need to know how to determine the calendar of Yahweh. Can you determine the months and the Holy Days if you were on a desert island if you knew the barley was aviv? Do you know how? Is it important to know?

With recent events taking place, it is of supreme necessity, that each of you be able to know what time of the month and year it is.

What events am I talking about? Here in Canada a law was passed called the Hate Crimes Law. It sounds good on the surface but it is being used more often to silence those who would dare to quote from the Bible those things that pertain to the Homosexual lifestyle. It is also being used to silence those who are speaking up on Muslim Extremism. As I have said to you before, Focus on the Family, which is run by Dr. James Dobson, is not allowed to sell certain products in Canada because he does tell it as it is. Certain products which quote the scriptures.

This same hate crimes law which is being pushed by the gay community was attempted to be slipped into law in the USA just a few months ago hidden amongst a law to give more money to the Iraqi war effort. If you voted it down you looked like you were unpatriotic. It did not pass.

Last week another law was trying to be passed and once again it was hidden amongst other laws to conceal it. It was called the fairness law. That is when one person speaks on a controversial subject someone else has the right to legally speak up on the same radio or Television show in opposition to give the audience both sides of an issue. Sounds good eh? But then all Religious radio and TV shows would have to, by law, allow the same time for an opposing view to be aired. Each Biblical show would be followed by a Homosexual show or a Muslim show or an Eastern Religion show or Atheist show.

In truth the Radio and TV stations would just not broadcast anything that would require an opposing view to be aired. This in fact would shut down all Religious broadcast. Not possible you say? Have you forgotten Amos 8:11 "Behold, the days are coming," says the Lord God, "That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the Lord.

If then we are entering that time when there will be no more sound doctrine taught on TV and Radio, will you be able to keep the Holy Days at the proper times if you have no one to tell you? Do you know how to determine them?

With the Heat increasing each year and the Hydro not being able to keep up to the demand or if we are attacked by an EMP bomb. [That is an Electro-magnetic Pulse. This is a nuclear bomb detonated a couple of miles over the nation, which destroys all electronic equipment, even those wires buried in the ground.] Iran has practiced launching a missile from a container with the purpose of getting it to a certain altitude before detonating. If such a container were carried by ship up the Mississippi and launched over the Midwest or even if one was launched just outside the US 200 mile limit at sea, we are told that it would send the US back to the early 19th century.

Also note that only 5 percent of the cargo containers are checked at any of the ports in the USA. Also note that these ports are owned by which country? Was there not a big stink a few years ago when an Arab country tried to purchase them. That deal fell through. But the next deal did not. The ones who bought the port were not Arabs but the successful bidder although registered to an acceptable country was in fact owned by the same Arab country that did not succeed at first. They merely came in the back door.

We all remember what happened after Katrina hit, how anarchy took hold and so quickly.

Imagine if an EMP bomb were to go off.

It is in light of these new laws that are trying to be passed, and in light of the possible attack of an EMP device, that we each need to know how to determine the time of year. You are still responsible to keep the Holy Days at the appointed time. It will be the only way of

understanding what is going on during this time. You will be on your own without the means to communicate with other groups.

The Head of Home Land Security and even Warren Buffet himself have said it is not a matter of will the USA be hit by a nuclear attack, but it IS JUST A MATTER OF WHEN. They know it is going to happen. They do not know when.

I know, I am sounding like an madman. If I didn't care I wouldn't say a thing. But I do care.

Now I have presumed you all agree that we need to be keeping the Holy Days as found in Leviticus 23. I am also presuming that you all agree that the Sabbath is Saturday and not Sunday or Friday. Yahweh willing I will prove these things in a future News Letter. We will see then what was really nailed to the cross.

It is because of the time of year we now find ourselves that I would like to show you which calendar to use, as a major proof takes place at this time of year.

Once I have laid these things out you will then know how to keep track of the time and know the months as they come along. You will see then why I named this site Sighted Moon, and why with each News Letter I give the date as I did above. The 27th day of the fifth month 5843 after creation. You will then understand why the calendar on the home page has three calendars to view. The Gregorian and the Hebrew and the Sighted Moon. You will also understand why the moon phases on the home page are there.

There are some who have asked for one scripture to prove that the month begins with the New Sighted Moon. There is no commandment in the New testament to keep the Sabbath Holy on Saturday. I have in the past offered \$10,000 dollars to anyone who could quote the scripture that commands us to keep Holy Sunday. For the past four years I have not had one try to prove this to me scripturally.

There are scriptures that show the Sabbath is to be kept in the New testament. But no direct quote. There are scriptures to show the Holy Days are to be kept in the New testament. Again there are no direct commands to do so. As many of you are already in agreement with one or both of the preceding two statements, you should also be aware that there are scriptures to show the Sighted New Moon is to be kept as the beginning of the month. But also there are no thus says the lord scriptures to be found. You must add up all of Torah together. But I have two witnesses that concur when to begin the New Moon. We shall see this later.

Again I understand that we should first prove the Sabbath then the Holy Days, before we do the calendar. I am presuming that most of the readership already knows these things.

First of all I would like to ask each of you to go out and look for the New Sighted Moon in two days' time. You can see it as it first appears after the sun has set in the Western sky. This year August 13 2007 it may not be possible to see the moon before it sets. The Moon, Saturn, Venus, and Mercury are all in the constellation of Cancer and all set with the sun on August 13 or shortly thereafter.

On August 14 2007 the moon should be visible on the horizon along with Saturn and Regulus just after sunset. Regulus is the bright star in the constellation of Leo. Jupiter should be visible on southern horizon. I hope to explain these constellation and the meaning of them at a later date also.

I will notify you when it is visible from Jerusalem. But for practice sake I ask you to try on both nights. There is a purpose to doing this.

I go to a small hill not far from my home, where I can see the whole horizon. I watch the sun set, once the sun has set, I then begin to watch for the first crescent of the new moon.

When I do see the New Moon I sound the Shofar as it says in Psalm 81:3 Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, At the full moon, on our solemn feast day.

I Must admit the sound I make on the Shofar is the most pitiful pathetic sound ever heard. Thankfully only the angels can hear me as they laugh.

The word Trumpet is strong's word # 8231 and means Shofar or rams horn. And this is what I blow. In this Psalm we are told to blow the Shofar at the New Moon which has one Feast day which is determined by the New Moon, and we are told to blow the Shofar on the full moon, which we have two Feast days that occur at this time. These are three of our Solemn Feast Days. That is Trumpets on the New Moon, First Day of Unleavened bread on the full moon in the spring and Feast of Tabernacles in the fall which is also on a full moon. Or close to it. The Last day of Unleavened Bread, Pentecost, The Day of Atonement, and the Eighth Day Feast do not fall on a new moon or full moon. These are the other Holy Days we are commanded to keep according to Leviticus 23.

I am asking you to go out and look for the crescent moon on the 13th and 14th so that you can learn something. It is only by doing it that it will become apparent. Please do this so that when we discuss the new moon in following News Letters they will make sense, and you can readily understand. This also takes into account another understanding of the laws of Yahweh. That it is only when you do them that you are able to understand them. Those who do not do them may think they know, but in truth do not. Those who do them can understand. I cannot explain it any better than that.

On the web site I have the following article by Nazarene Israel. I recommend you read it after this News Letter. It goes into great detail to help you to understand many things about the calendar.

About Calendars and Why you need to know

[About Calendars \(And why you need to know\)](#)

The task for us as believers, then, is to figure out which of these calendars is the one YHWH wants, and then to systematically ignore all of the others.

It is actually very easy to figure out which one of the many calendars in this world is from YHWH, and which are not. All we have to do is to look at the Torah, figure out how YHWH wants time reckoned, and then systematically ignore all of the other means of reckoning time. However, while this may be easy in theory, in practice the task can seem far more difficult.

Once a Christian is called out of the Church (and begins to re-awaken to his or her identity as an Ephraimite), first he is usually led to the truth of the Sabbath. Then he usually becomes aware of the pagan origins of the Christian calendar. Many then embrace the Orthodox rabbinic calendar, believing that it is YHWH's true Torah calendar.

[Ephraimite is a teaching of Nazarene Israel. We will discuss this teaching in the fall and winter of 2007-2008.]

Lunar-only Calendars

A prime example of the Lunar-only calendar is the Muslim (Islamic) calendar. In the Islamic calendar, the sacred days are determined by the phases of the moon alone. However, an interesting phenomenon happens in this lunar-only calendar. Since the rotations of the moon about the earth do not match up precisely with the rotations of the earth around the sun, the Islamic calendar “drifts” backwards about eleven days each year (on average). This is why the Islamic feast of Ramadan can be in the fall one year, then be in winter some decades later, and then drift into the spring, and then finally into summer (and then back into fall), migrating from decade to decade. In scientific terms, this happens because the Muslim calendar has no system of intercalation (or self-adjustment). Because it does not intercalate (or self-adjust), the start date drifts from season to season.

Solar-only Calendars

On the other end of the spectrum, then, is the Solar-only calendar, of which the most infamous example is the Roman (Gregorian) calendar. This Gregorian calendar only pays attention to the movement of the earth around the sun. It pays no attention at all to the movement of the moon about the earth in setting its months, which is ironic considering the word “month” is derived from the word moon.

In setting the months, the Roman Solar does not pay attention to the moon at all. Rather, it pays attention only to the four phases of the sun (which correspond to the four seasons), and to the four annual punctuations of the solar cycle (including the Summer and Winter Solstices, and the Spring and Fall Equinoxes).

We might note that the solar-only system is not only the same calendar used by the Romans, but it is also the same calendar used in Satanism and witchcraft. Not only this, it is also the exact same calendar upon which the so-called Christian calendar is based (and in fact, the Christians inherited it from the Romans). This solar-only calendar intercalates (adjusts) based upon complex mathematical calculations that we will not attempt to explain here.

Lunar-Solar-Agricultural Calendars

The third calendar category, then, contains all those calendars which use more than just the sun or the moon alone to determine the start-date of their annual cycle. These include the

rabbinic calendar, the so-called “Lunar Sabbath” calendar (and its variants), and the two major variants of the so-called Karaite calendar, (only) one of which is YHWH’s true original Torah calendar. We will speak more about all of these as this study progresses.

The Torah Calendar: Fundamentals

The primary principle that we are working with here is that any calendar which claims to be Scriptural must conform itself to Scripture: if not, then it is heretical, and should be discarded.

If a calendar does not conform exactly to Scripture (because it incorporates certain man-made [pagan] elements), then it cannot be a Scriptural calendar (but is heretical). As this article will show, this is the case with the rabbinic calendar, the Lunar-Sabbath calendar, the Lunar Conjunction calendar, and even one of the two main Karaite calendars: They do not conform to Scripture; and therefore they must be discarded.

From the time YHWH asked Noach (Noah) to build the Ark, to the time YHWH asked Avraham to hear the Still Small Voice and leave his home and his father’s house, to the time He asked him to slay Isaac, YHWH has always asked His people to do certain things that seem difficult. The reason He does these things is precisely to test us, and to build our faith. Just as Israel was tested and tried in the wilderness, YHWH also tests and tries His people today, by asking them to wait on Him, no matter how difficult it might seem.

In an era where work plans, business deadlines and reservations are most conveniently scheduled weeks and months (if not years) in advance, it might seem very frustrating to the average man to have to use an intercalated calendar, in which the start date of the next year can never be known with certainty. Many find the pre-calculated calendars (such as the Gregorian Western solar-only calendar) offer them much more freedom, and for this reason they are reluctant to embrace an intercalated calendar, such as YHWH’s Torah calendar (because it is much less convenient).

One of the reasons YHWH asks us to do this is because it shows Him who is really willing to obey Him (or not). And then, another one of the advantages is that it improves and sharpens our abilities to plan, and to remain flexible.

As we shall see here, and as we shall also discuss in other studies, the Torah calendar intercalates (self-adjusts) its start date according to the interplay of the sun and the moon with the maturation of the barley in the Land of Israel. This interplay of the sun, the moon and agriculture makes the Torah calendar a lunar-solar-agricultural calendar.

As we have said, the start (or head) of the New Year is never predicted in this calendar, but can only be observed. Notice, then, what a profound difference in perspective it makes, that one does not predict the head of the New Year, but only observes it. Rather than thinking, one is looking, and watching. Rather than get caught up in one’s thoughts, one is careful to wait, and see. This is the kind of careful perspicacity YHWH seeks to develop in His people. Let us note well: man’s role in the Torah calendar is only to observe (and then to declare) what YHWH has already caused to occur. This is an eastern mindset.

We will talk about sighting the barley in a moment, but first let us talk about the need to sight the new moon.

In the Lunar Sabbath, Lunar Conjunction and Full Moon models, there is no one set pinpoint time which can be declared as “the” Hodesh. This is because in the Lunar Sabbath, Lunar Conjunction and Full Moon models, the period of time that the moon is full (or obscured) is anywhere from 1.5 to 3.5 days long (and thus, there is no pinpoint time).

Since there is no one pinpoint time that the moon is full (or obscured), it is impossible to say, “Behold, the New Moon chodesh is tomorrow.” For this reason (and many others which we will explain), we know that King David did not keep a Lunar Sabbath (or a Lunar Conjunction or a Full-moon Sabbath).

Proponents of the Lunar Conjunction model(s) will argue that ancient Israelites calculated the day of the New Moon, rather than sighting it. Not only will we see from the historical record in the Talmud that this assertion is false, but it was also the Babylonian (and not the Israelite) astronomers who later learned how to calculate the exact length of the Conjunction. Therefore, the Lunar Conjunction model also does not work. But rather, as we will see, the method of determining the New Month chodesh in Yeshua’s day was by direct sighting (observation), and not by prediction of any type.

The ancient method of observing the Hodesh was to go out in the evening about the 28th day of the Hebrew month, and look on successive nights, until the Hodesh was seen. When two reliable witnesses have sighted the first crescent sliver of the New Moon, and have informed the priests, the priesthood then verifies the reliability of the witnesses, and declares the New Month.

Once the month is declared, the month lasts until the next first crescent sliver is sighted. However, since the average length of time it takes for the moon to go around the earth and then get back into position to be seen is 29 days, if the next Hodesh is not sighted within thirty days, then the next Hodesh is declared by default.

[It should also be noted that the thirty-day count for the sighting of the Hodesh is completely independent of the seven-day count that determines the (weekly) Shabbat cycle. Lunar-Sabbath model proponents will make a different argument, but as we will see below, their arguments are fatally flawed.]

You can read the rest of this article at About Calendars and Why you need to know:

https://sightedmoon.com/sightedmoon_2015/?page_id=126

Other articles I strongly recommend are the following. We will be discussing some of them over the next few News Letters. As some of these things may seem foreign to you I suggest you read some during the week to try and understand what is being put forth.

Does it matter if the Sabbath is Sunday or Friday or Wednesday? Yahweh says yes it does. It is important to Yahweh which day is the Sabbath.

Does it matter to Yahweh whether we keep the Feast in the seventh or the eighth month, or Passover in the spring or summer or winter? Yes it does. Because He has planned for certain events to happen on that day and at that time just as He did for Passover and Pentecost.

If the apostles had gathered on Monday instead of Sunday would they have received the gift of the Holy Spirit in tongues of fire. Does it then matter which day we keep the Feast of Trumpets on or Tabernacles? Yes indeed!

This is why we are looking at the calendar. There is much to learn, and I hope you are willing to study to prove these things one way or the other.

There are now many groups who keep the Holy Days at different times. This year one group will keep the fall Feast one month later than most. Why is this? This year many groups may keep the fall feast on the same days as the Jews. Then again they all may keep them one or two days later. Why is this? You do need to know why, and to understand. You must do the home work and study. You will be saved by your own righteousness and not the righteousness of someone else. So study please. And write in your questions. I will post them and reply after the study is done.

There are also two movies I have on the site I hope you are able to take the time to view them.

Yes I have given you a fair amount of Home work this week. To go out and look for the new crescent moon on two nights.

To view the two movies.

To begin to read the article listed below. I would that you read them all before the next new moon, which will be the Feast of Trumpets, the first day of the seventh month. And next month the moon will be difficult to see on the 13th which could be the first day or it could be seen on the 14th of September. This is why doing these things now is in preparation for next month.

Admissions on the Calculated Rabbinic Calendar

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Conjunction or Sighted Which?

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Is the Hebrew Calendar Biblical?

[Is the Hebrew Calendar Biblical? Evidence continues to prove it is not!](#)

The Glory of Yahweh and the Glory of Kings

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Vernal Equinox and Tekufah

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The Biblical Calendar

Movie: The Biblical Calendar

The month of Aviv

Movie: The Month of the Abib

The return of Yahshua

The Return Of Yahshua

Shalom,

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