

Newsletter



Shalom-what the world needs now

Each year around this time, the Jewish fall feasts and High Holy Days come to a close.

During Sukkot, we give thanks as we retell the stories of Adonai's loving provision, shown in the agricultural harvest and in His sustaining hand when the Children of Israel lived in the desert after leaving Egypt.

This year, Sukkot is the same, and yet terribly different.
October 7, 2025, marked the two-year anniversary of the horrendous attack in Israel.

As I write, the release of the remaining hostages, alive and deceased, is being negotiated. Hatred of Jewish people and Israel is shown daily in violent chants, marches, and attacks across Canada and the world.

What the world needs now, is shalom! Now, you and I know that true shalom stems from reconciliation with God through Messiah Jesus. Only He can bridge all divides, communal and personal.

As His followers, we're called to be agents of His peace in a divided world, sharing and demonstrating the Good News with Jewish people and the nations.

We're also called to stand with Israel and the Jewish people, even when that support is unpopular or misunderstood.

Let us be both messengers of peace and reconciliation, and people with the courage to confront hostility.

Thank you for supporting us in our urgent mission.

Until all Israel is saved!



Jorge Sedaca Executive Director

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Highlights of the HAVERIM 2025 FRIENDS conference

On September 12 and 13 in Toronto, we held HAVERIM 2025 FRIENDS, our annual conference. Our theme this year was "Israel's Friends and Foes: Unpacking Ezekiel 36–39."

Speakers Mitch Glaser, Robert Walter, and Jorge Sedaca showed how promises to Israel and the nations are clearly laid out prophetically in the book of Ezekiel. A panel discussion that included Pastor Daniel Muller gave the audience an opportunity to have their pre-submitted questions answered.

Throughout the event, Joshua Aaron led everyone in song in Hebrew and English, as Messianic dancers mirrored the lyrics through expressive movement, creating an atmosphere of joyful worship. Live testimonies from Israel showed the impact that Chosen People Ministries is having as we reach Israelis with the Gospel and minister to their needs.

Compared to 2024, this year's event saw many more young people in attendance. Also, a marked number of attendees said this was their first HAVERIM. We're already planning for next year!

Recordings available on our YouTube channel by end of October.















Challenging and uplifting to see the bones [in Ezekiel] come alive and then the testimonies from Israel to confirm the

movement of the Spirit!





great to have the opportunity to interact with experts on the topics

teaching was excellent and worship was a bit of heaven on earth VERY ENCOURAGED TO CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR AND STAND WITH ISRAEL

one of the best teachers I have EVER heard!

STORIES OF IMPACT

A Jewish couple's journey-in-progress to faith in Yeshua

Recently, Marcello Araujo, one of our missionaries, has been meeting regularly with a Jewish couple, Brett* and Laura*, as they explore what it means to be a Jewish person and a follower of Yeshua.

They each asked, "If I become a follower of Yeshua, does that mean I stop being Jewish and become Gentile?"

Naturally, the idea of losing one's identity is hard to bear. Marcello is helping to dispel the misconception, while showing this precious couple the reality that the Gospel is "to the Jew first."

Laura had originally met with the pastor of a local church. When the pastor was unable to answer her questions about Jewish identity, he referred her elsewhere while continuing to address her questions as he is able.



Laura has already given her life to Yeshua, but Brett has not, as yet. Understandably, he is worried that his family would reject him and Laura or even sever the relationship if they were to express faith in Yeshua.

Marcello is counselling Laura on how to walk alongside Brett, staying true to Yeshua while giving her husband the space he needs to continue wrestling with big questions and life-changing decisions. Brett has noticed and even commented to others about the amazing transformation he has seen in Laura, though not attributing it to Yeshua.

Please pray for Marcello as he continues to explore the Scriptures with Brett and Laura, expertly pointing out readings from the Tanakh to show how the Hebrew Bible contains the Gospel of Jesus.

* Names changed to protect identities

Fall Holy Days and Feasts at our congregations



Our congregations in Toronto, Hamilton, and Winnipeg marked Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot this fall.

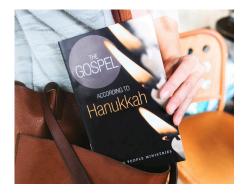
Pictured here are members of the Tree of Life Congregation/Kehillat Eytz Chaim in Toronto, at the waving of the date palm branch (lulav) on the eve of Sukkot (Erev Sukkot).

This and other Holy Day observances took place amid escalating antisemitism and uncertain peace negotiations, a poignant context that underscores the urgency of our prayers, fellowship, and teaching.

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The Gospel According To Hanukkah

In this booklet, explore the connection between Hanukkah (the Festival of Lights and the Feast of Dedication) and the Gospel. Yeshua celebrated Hanukkah and made remarkable statements about Himself with obvious parallels to Hanukkah. Order in time for Hanukkah 2025 (December 14–22).

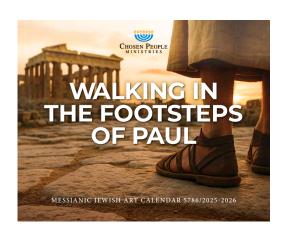
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2025-2026 Messianic Calendar - Canada

It's a great time to get our new Messianic Jewish Calendar, running 13 months from September 2025 through September 2026.

"Walking in the Footsteps of Paul" follows the Apostle Paul chronologically on his missionary journeys throughout the Roman Empire. Each month features a photo and description of a major location where Paul travelled.

Includes Canadian and international holidays, all Jewish holidays, and Scripture readings for every Sabbath and holiday. Order online <u>here</u>.



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