



God's appointed times with Yeshua

The Bible outlines what Jewish people call "God's appointed times," or *moedim*, throughout the year. In the fall, we observe three *moedim*:

- Feast of Trumpets, or *Yom Teruah*, also known as the New Year, *Rosh Hashanah*
- Day of Atonement, or *Yom Kippur*
- Feast of Tabernacles, or *Sukkot*

Details of these observances are found in Leviticus 23:23–44, and Numbers 29:1–38.

Trumpets is celebrated on the first and second of Tishrei (September 12 and 13 this year). Loud blasts of the ram's horn, or *shofar*, mark the beginning of the Ten Days of Awe, the period between *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*. It's a period of joy, celebration, food, and gift-giving. We eat round *challah* (a type of bread) to remind us of the new year cycle, and apples and honey for a sweet year.

These are also days of introspection, repentance, and making amends in relationships in preparation for the next event. [As followers of Yeshua the Messiah, we rejoice at the sound of the *shofar*, anticipating His second coming and our future eternity with Him!](#)

Yom Kippur is the holiest day in Jewish life. It takes place on the tenth of Tishrei, during the Ten Days of Awe. Like all Jewish holidays, it begins at sundown the night before and ends at sundown the following day. It is a day of rest, fasting, self-sacrifice, and abstention from many everyday activities. Special services take place in synagogues on the evening before Yom Kippur, on the morning of Yom Kippur, and at the close of the day, followed by breaking of the fast. It is a time of confession, repentance, and actions that reflect these.

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Jewish worshippers hope that, through these actions, the Lord will forgive their sins and re-establish a right relationship with Him. As believers in Jesus, we come to Him asking for forgiveness of our sins through His shed blood on the cross. We also rejoice in the assurance that we will spend eternity with Him if we have accepted Jesus as our personal Saviour, Messiah, and Lord. He paid for our past, present, and future sins once and for all at Calvary!

Sukkot is a reminder of the forty years that Israel spent in the wilderness living in tents. Jewish households construct temporary tents or booths in their yards or on their balconies. During the eight days of celebrations, we eat some of our meals in the *sukkah* and even sleep under it if the weather permits. There are big gatherings and meals on both the first and eighth nights of *Sukkot*, and children receive gifts every night.

As followers of Yeshua, we are reminded of His birth, since He came to dwell or tabernacle among us (John 1:14). We rejoice in the presence of the Holy Spirit in and with us always. And we look to the future when the Lord Himself will dwell eternally among us! (Revelation 21:3).

Whether you are Jewish or not, I pray that as you meditate on God's appointed times, and even celebrate them, your life and relationship with the Lord will be strengthened and revitalised in the truth of His Word!

Until all Israel is saved,



Jorge Sedaca

STORIES OF IMPACT

Stirring the church to Jewish evangelism

Last month, our executive director Jorge Sedaca spoke at North Victory Baptist Church in North York, Ontario, on *Why Believers Should Share the Gospel with Jewish People*. Jorge also shared about how and why to pray for Israel.

Church leaders said they appreciated the Scriptural basis of Jorge's presentation and the historical research.

Most important, we received encouraging feedback from attendees who expressed a renewed desire to pray for Jewish people and share the hope of Messiah with them.

Educating and equipping the church in Jewish evangelism is key to advancing our mission. We're grateful for this opportunity at North Victory Baptist Church.



Jorge and Marta Sedaca with leaders of North Victory Baptist Church

Experience the High Holidays with us!

God's appointed times are beautiful and meaningful. We invite you to join us at one of our congregations for the High Holidays.

Not able to join us in person?

Participate in Kehillat Eytz Chaim's services online in either of two ways:

Attend via [Zoom](#)

Watch live on [YouTube](#)

High Holidays 2026 at our Messianic congregations

KEHILLAT EYTZ CHAIM/TREE OF LIFE CONGREGATION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Rosh Hashanah

10:30 a.m. – Shabbat service

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Erev Yom Kippur

7:00 p.m. – Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Sukkot

10:30 a.m. – Shabbat service

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

Simchat Torah

10:30 a.m. – Shabbat service

All services will take place at the Toronto Messianic Centre, 225 Bridgeland Avenue, North York, ON.



KEHILLAT HATIKVAH/CONGREGATION OF HOPE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Teruah

11:00 a.m. – Service followed by Oneg

Tashlich service following Oneg

Location: Assiniboine Park, Duck Pond area.

Map to be provided.

5:00 p.m. – Evening blowing of shofar over Winnipeg.

Location: Top of Westview Park (Garbage Hill).

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Kol Nidre

7:30 p.m. – Service

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Yom Kippur

11:00 a.m. – Yom Kippur service (fasting day)

6:30 p.m. – Neilah/Concluding service

Bring soft food for meal following service.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Sukkot

5:00 p.m. – Erev Sukkot service

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

Eighth Day, or Shemini Atzeret with Simchat Torah

10:30 a.m. – Service

Unless specified otherwise, all services will take place at 450 Lilac Street, Winnipeg, MB.

Messianic Calendar for 2026-2027



The new Messianic Jewish Calendar for the year 5787/2026-2027 is available, but quantities are limited!

I Found Shalom is the calendar theme this year, and each month features the true story of a Jewish person who found shalom in Jesus the Messiah.

Each of these stories is linked to a full video testimony at ifoundshalom.com.

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