

*We'd like to know more about you*

If you are a newcomer to Beth Messiah, please take a few moments to complete this information. Then, separate this form at the fold and drop it in the Tzedaka (offering) box in the front of the sanctuary. No one will call on you, but we would like to send you our newsletter and inform you of future events at Beth Messiah Synagogue.

**How did you find out about us?**

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- I am a Jewish Believer  
 I am a non-Jewish Believer  
 I am: \_\_Single \_\_Single Parent  
\_\_Married \_\_Divorced  
 I would like information about:  
\_\_ How to establish a personal relationship with G-d  
\_\_ Available counseling  
\_\_ Bibles studies and other groups  
\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- I have special needs -- physically challenged, etc.?

**Please use the backside of this form for your prayer requests and praise reports.**

## *THE BETH MESSIAH STATEMENT OF FAITH Why we believe Yeshua is the Messiah*

**1. G-d alone is the source of a satisfying and worthwhile life.** Psalm 16:11 Thou dost show me the path of life; in thy presence there is fullness of joy, in thy right hand are pleasures for evermore.

**2. There is a barrier between G-d and us.** Isaiah 59:1 Behold, the L-rd's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; 2 but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your G-d, and your sins have hid his face from you so that he does not hear.

**3. Our good deeds won't remove the barrier.** Isaiah 64:6 We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

**4. G-d has provided atonement as a way of removing the barrier, and atonement requires blood.** Leviticus 17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it for you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement, by reason of the life.

**5. Isaiah identifies the Messiah as the one who will be the ultimate sacrifice and thus end the Temple's Sacrificial system.** Isaiah 53:4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by G-d and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole and with his stripes we are healed.

**6. At least 48 specific prophecies further identify the Messiah,** all of which have been fulfilled in Yeshua of Nazareth.

**7. G-d has provided atonement via Yeshua to remove the barrier to Him.** John 1:12 But to all who received him, believed in his name, he gave power to become children of G-d, even to those who believe in his name.

*Shalom and welcome to*  
**BETH MESSIAH  
SYNAGOGUE**  
*of Tidewater*

Kislev 17-18, 5770 / December 4-5, 2009  
***Chanukah Program Talent Show auditions  
continue on Saturday. Details inside.***



**Celebrating  
32 years of  
ministry to the  
Hampton Roads  
area!**

Beth Messiah Synagogue started in September, 1977. We are a charter member of the Union of Messianic Jewish Congregations since 1979 and are also affiliated with the International Messianic Jewish Alliance. We are a congregation of Jewish and Gentile people who believe Yeshua is the promised Messiah.

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## From the Rabbi



The readings for this week contain this verse: "And that I [Jacob] have everything [I need]" (Genesis 33:11).

This Midrash looks at it like this . . .

And Esau said I have much (verse 9) but not "everything", because vulgar and insensitive men never feel they have enough with what they have, and they are never satisfied, therefore Esau said I have much but not everything.

But the righteous and the wise feel they have enough with what they have, therefore Jacob with his modest traits, only asked the Lord for "bread to eat and clothing to wear." In the beginning of the Torah portion of Vayetze 28:20, he said now I have everything. What a wonderful peace for Jacob.

The New Covenant reiterates this point simply in 1 Tim. 6:6-8 – "But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that."

Shalom Ooverecha, peace and blessing to you.

**Upcoming Keshet Team Schedule:**  
**December 4-5, Hutton team**  
**December 11-12, Luberus team**  
**December 18-19, Wohlers team**



Please join us for *Warfare Prayer*, Saturday, December 5 at 5:15 p.m. All are invited!

**Our Chanukah Shop is now open. Come visit!**



**got talent?**  
Join us December 18 for our Shabbat Dinner and Chanukah Program

TALENT SHOW



To audition for the Chanukah program talent show, please sign up on the back table for a time slot at the auditions

to be held on December 5 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

### BMS Weather Hotline

In case of inclement weather, call 423.3440 for a voice message to find out if events or services have been canceled.



**Zekanim and Shammashim Meeting, Sunday, December 13, at 5:30 p.m. This is a revised date. Please notify David Weiss if you cannot attend.**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Member  Non-member

### PRAYER REQUESTS

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### PRAISE REPORTS

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### SPECIAL OCCASIONS

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