

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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Name _____

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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.

Shabbat Shalom and welcome to



BETH MESSIAH SYNAGOGUE
of Tidewater

Kislev 24-25, 5770 / December 11-12, 2009

Happy Chanukah to all!



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 are entitled **VAYESHEV (and he settled)** and are **Genesis 37:1-40:23, Amos 2:6-3:8 and Mathew 1:1-6, 16-25**

This begins the story of Joseph's adventures . . .

Look at Joseph. He is a shepherd, a tattletale, loved by his father and hated by his brothers, a perfectly dysfunctional family. But the Hebrew text tells a different story. Joseph, being seventeen years old, shepherded his brothers among the sheep though he was just a lad, that is the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah his father's wives, and Joseph is spying on his brothers for Jacob. He has the higher moral standard. He will be a victim for it.

This is a different way of looking at Joseph. The New Covenant says in 2 Timothy 3:12 that, *"In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Messiah Yeshua will be persecuted, . . ."*

Are you willing to suffer the consequences of living godly?

Shalom Ooverecha, peace and blessing to you.

Upcoming Keshet Team Schedule:
December 11-12, Luberus team
December 18-19, Wohlers team
December 25-26, Seidel team

Our Chanukah Shop is now open. Come visit.



Join us December 18, 7:00 p.m., for our Shabbat Dinner and Chanukah Program Talent Show

Please bring a covered dish to share with others.

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.



New Years' Eve Joint Service Celebration with Nations Church, 8:00 p.m. until . . . ?

No better way to welcome in the New Year! Snacks and breakfast will be served.

Print Name _____

Member Non-member

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAISE REPORTS

SPECIAL OCCASIONS
