

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

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I am: __Single __Single Parent

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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



Shavuot begins the evening
of May 18

with a prayer vigil and omer offering
service at 6:30 p.m. If joining us,
please wear white if possible.

Sivan 1-2, 5770 / May 14-15, 2010
Days 45-46 of the counting of the omer

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From the Rabbi



Shavuot is centered around Israel receiving the Torah and the outpouring of the Ruach HaQodesh in Acts. This link of the Torah enlivened by the Spirit is a crucial part of our theology and practice.

"Moses came and told the people all of God's words and all the laws. The people all responded with a single voice, saying: 'All the words that God spoke - we will do.'" (Exodus 24:3) And "Moses wrote down all of God's words . . . He took the book of the covenant and read it to the people. They replied, 'All that God spoke, we will do and we will understand.'" (Exodus 24:4,7)

Notice that the second time our people responded not only with "we will do" but also, "and we will understand". By accepting God's covenant, they believed they would also understand what that covenant is all about, the rules and blessings that come from the Torah. In the same way, by receiving the fullness of the Spirit, our spiritual senses become heightened and our spiritual understanding enlarged.

Acts 2:1-6 – "When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language.

Shalom Ooverecha, peace and blessing to you."

Upcoming Keshet Team Schedule:
Knight team, May 14-15
Hutton team, May 21-22
Lubertus team, May 28-29

You can still get tickets this weekend to "Changed by the Grace of G-d"

May 14-15 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, May 16 at 3 p.m. at the Barry Robinson Theatre inside Catholic High School, 4552 Princess Anne Road, Virginia Beach 23462. For tickets, see Juanita Weiss or purchase them before each performance at the theater door.

Matthew (Mattiyahu ben Adam) Flores will be called to the Torah on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 15, 10:30 a.m.

Our monthly congregational dinner will be Friday, May 21, at 7:00 p.m. Please bring a covered dish to share with others if attending.

Our monthly congregational work day will be Sunday, May 23, at 1:30 p.m. A list of projects will be on the back sanctuary table.

Men's fellowship dinner will be at the rabbi's house June 6, at 1:00 p.m. Map and directions to follow.

Be sure to visit our Judaica Gift Shop. EVERYTHING is reduced!

"In seeking wisdom the first step is silence, the second: listening, the third: remembering, the fourth: practicing, the fifth: teaching others."
--- Rabbi ibn-Gavriael

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