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NEWSLETTER

And El Shaddai bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a qahal of people. Genesis 28:3



photo by Tracy Grijalva **A Letter From an Elder** by Brad Fleenor

Sometimes, we put Yahweh in a box. We do this because we are not close to Him in heart. Think about this: From many miles away, a mountain looks small; once you get close to it, you realize how massive and detailed it really is. This is true of Yahweh. If we are not close to Him in heart, we can easily put Him in a box. However, when we draw close, we realize how big and detailed in compassion He really is to those who choose to walk in His ways —Torah.

Faith is "the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). Walking in Torah is faith, but there is so much more to faith. We must walk in faith believing that what we ask for *we will receive if we abide in Yeshua* (*John 15:7*). To put it another way, if we ask in Yeshua's Name, or character, he will provide (John 16:23-24). If we abide by walking in the same character as the Messiah, we will desire the same things the Father wants to give us so that we will receive them. Sometimes, the Father will even provide the unexpected. Did Yeshua promise to give us a fish or serpent when we pray (Matthew 7:7-11)? Do you believe you will receive a fish, not a serpent? Do you believe the Father wants His will done on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10)? We all know the prayer Yeshua taught His disciples, but do you believe health should be restored? Relationships healed? Provisions provided?

The Qahal is now on BAND! Download the app and join the group. We will continue to send out information by email. <u>https://band.us/n/aaa7A1daef66C</u>



This is His will on earth because none of these (and so many other things) are not issues in the Father's Kingdom. The Father wants this because Yeshua taught us to pray like this. The answer may not be immediate, as we must persist in prayer. He may be testing you. Remember this: it is impossible to please Yahweh without walking in faith (Hebrews 11:6)

Are you humble and meek like Master Yeshua, loving the Father and neighbor as yourself? Have you set aside pride, conflict, strife, and worldly desires?

This the character of Yeshua - ask and receive if you walk in such a way!



Photo by Molly Fleenor

Please send Tracy submissions for the next newsletter by August 26th. Poetry, stories, photographs, events, businesses, etc. Tracy.m.grijalva@gmail.com

Upcoming Qahal at the Park: September

by Tracy Grijalva

Once a month, the Qahal meets, uniting smaller fellowships together for praise and worship, study, and fellowship. We will be meeting at MLK Park in Morristown. We will have an open mic like last month and ask that if you have something to share, please keep it under 10 minutes.

We find that things flow best when we share a meal (please bring a kashrut dish to share) at the end of the meeting. So please pack snacks, especially for the kids.

Speaking of the kids, we will have a fun lesson where they will learn about Jonah. This will take place while the adults are having their open mic time.

Future Qahals

September will be the last Qahal at the park for the season. We will not be having a monthly Qahal meeting in October due to the fall feast days.

November will begin the indoor Qahals. The next two are scheduled at the Hawkins County Rescue Squad for November 2nd and 30th. If you have a suggested place to meet in January, please contact Moises 423-300-2089.

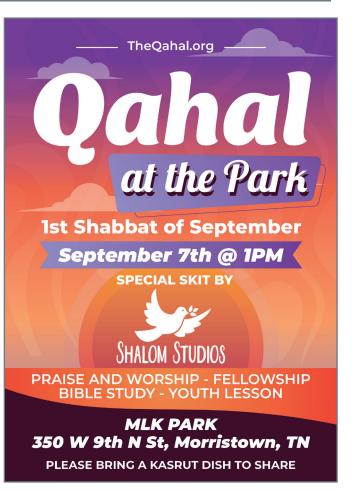
Past Events: Rogers' Baby Shower

by Kate Coffelt

It was a wonderful time of celebration gathering at the Kuhn's on Sunday to anticipate Baby Boy Rogers' arrival! All thanks and praise to YAH for His intervention during Amber's hospital stay; all seems well and that young fellow is rounding the corner and getting closer to 35 weeks...a milestone in terms of development. We keep them in prayer for a healthy completion of pregnancy and healthy delivery.

Thanks to the Kuhn's for such a lovely (and delicious ;) celebration!







Photos by Alicia Kuhn

Past Qahals at the Park: August

by Tracy Grijalva

It was a great Qahal at the park. Since I work with the youth, this article is primarily about them! Kate led a great lesson with the help of Sharon and me. She presented the topic of the Armor of Yah and tied in a reading from David and Goliath. She impressed the kids with her suitcase full of props. It was definitely a lesson to remember, and those kids present even got something special mailed to them! Thanks, Kate, for such a great time!





Local Fellowships

Are you interested in hosting Shabbats at your house, starting a fellowship, and need help? If you would like your fellowship to be part of the Qahal, please contact Moises @ (423) 300-2089.

Harrogate, TN

Berean Echad Springs Fellowship Contact: Brad Fleenor – 859.475.8658 Contact: Eric Schaefer – 423.426.0923 Contact: Moises Grijalva – 423.300.2089 279 Keats Drive Harrogate, TN 37752 bereanechad.com Services begin at 3pm. Call or text for more information.

Rogersville, TN

Contact: Bob Kuhn – 252.634.4100 Contact: Kate Coffelt – 513.807.9654 Contact: Eric Schaefer – 423.426.0923 Contact: Moises Grijalva – 423.300.2089 Rogersville, TN 37857 Services begin at 11am.

Tri-Cities Torah

Contact: Dan Whittaker – price1020@aol.com Various locations - email for more details.

His Breath of Life

From the Heart & Home of Bill & Rosemarie Call

What is the end of one breath, but the beginning of another.What is the end of one moment, but the beginning of another.What is the end of a day, but the beginning of another.What is the end of a week, but the beginning of another.What is the end of a month, but the beginning of another.What is the end of a year, but the beginning of another.What is the accomplishment of one goal, but the beginning of another.What is the realization of one dream, but the beginning of another.

We move on heartbeat after heartbeat until He requires His breath to return to Him when we reach the end of all of these.

If we are to be allowed to move on at the time of the end of all this into

His kingdom and to be allowed to experience the beginning of that new

life, we must know that He is who He says He is and that He paid the price for our sins and made it possible for us to enter into His kingdom.

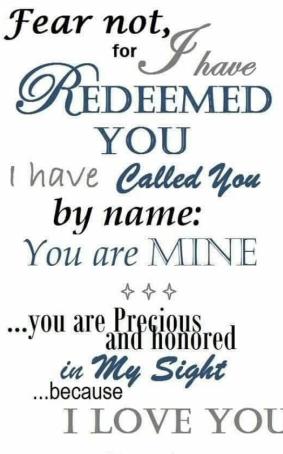
None of the things we do now are possible without Him.

Nothing after this life is possible without Him.

Bow to Him now before it's too late...before you have no more breath, moments, days, weeks, months, years, heartbeats.

Learn what it means to know Him, His ways, all He has done in order that you might have right to enter in through the gates and to eat of the Tree of Life.

He is everything.



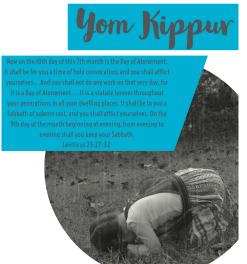
Isaíah 4.3:1b; 4

Yom Teruah (Feast of Trumpets)

by Tracy Grijalva

We are aware that some in the Qahal are celebrating Sukkot on October 2nd. If anyone from these fellowships would like to share Feast Day gatherings with the group, please send a text message to Tracy 423-300-1389.

Berean Echad is celebrating Yom Teruah on Thursday, October 3rd. Please be on the lookout for an email giving more details on when and where we are meeting!



Sukkot

by Tracy Grijalva

The fall feast days are quickly approaching! We realize there are many calendars in this group and will share feast day gatherings as we are made aware. For anyone looking to gather for Sukkot at the end of October, Berean Echad will be feasting in Harrogate.

This Sukkot gathering will be focused on the youth with a youth camp-like feel. We will have youth bible studies, activities, games, crafts, and theme nights. We have a BAND group where we are sharing theme nights and other information. Please let us know if you are coming so we can add you!

We ask that you RSVP to Tracy at 423-300-1389 so we can plan activities and food accordingly. No specific cost is required for this; however, we ask that you contribute at least what your family would spend on your week-groceries, as well as all food and paper products, will be provided.

Consider that the tithe you set aside for your feast should be used. There will also be activities, games, and crafts, so if you can help support this, we would greatly appreciate it.



Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)

by Tracy Grijalva

Berean Echad is celebrating Yom Kippur on October 11th and 12th. Please be on the lookout for an email giving more details on when and where we are meeting!

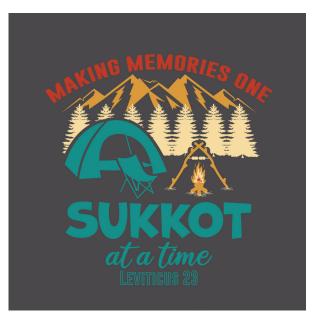


RSVP to Tracy by texting 423.300.1389

Sukkot Apparel

by Tracy Grijalva

I have wanted a Sukkot hoodie for the past few years and so decided this year to make it happen. Using a few stock designs for inspiration and words of wisdom from others, Moises and I came up with the design below. We are using Cody Payne's brother's shop (Precision Apparel in Cumberland Gap) to print the designs (he was also the one who did all the Shalom Studios merchandise). To get the shirts by October 17th, please send me your order by Wednesday, September 18th by text at 423-300-1389 or email (tracy.m.grijalva@gmail.com).





Dark Grey Heather

Shalom Studios

by Tracy Grijalva

Thank you to everyone who came out last month to help make the Shalom Studios event a great success! If you are not aware, this is a group of youth who are producing high-quality biblical films that they are sharing online. They have a solid enthusiasm to keep this work going and to keep improving their production. They are even expanding and will be acting out short Bible stories during monthly Qahals. Not only will the cast be acting, but the crew will also be there recording and filming! These recordings will also make their way to YouTube, expanding this talented youth's ministry even further.

There is still an ongoing effort to raise money for this group; anything donated helps pay for the audio and video equipment being used and any extra expenses, such as costumes and props. This is a volunteer group, and no one receives any monetary compensation; all funds go to technology or material items.



Bible Study/Discipleship Meetings

by: Bill and Cheryl Fuentes

Bible Study/Discipleship Meeting

Discipleship Bible studies are being held at the Fuentes home (at 4240 N. Mohawk Rd, Mohawk) on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The study begins at 7 but we have dinner at 5:30. If you wish to join us for dinner, please let us know so that we can plan accordingly. We do offer to have you join us through Zoom if you would like to be a part of the meeting but can't come. Here is a link to Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/95397902858?pwd=VU1IY28wQ1BLRitDYmdtUG9LTWU4QT09

On September 10th, we will be discussing Lesson 5: Principle 4.

Lesson 5: Principle 4 Doctrines of Christ: Laying on of Hands

Hebrews 6:1-2 Let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and faith toward God, of the doctrine of baptisms, and of **laying on of hands**, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

1. In your understanding, what is meant by "laying on of hands"?

2. Find 3 Biblical accounts of the laying on of hands.

3. What are the major purposes that you have found in your Biblical account for the laying on of hands?

Calendar

by Tracy Grijalva

A lot is going on these next few months! To help summarize things, I am including the next two months on calendar events.. The Feast Days listed are for Berean Echad. We realize folks within the community are following other calendars, but I am only including this event calendar for conciseness. If you would like to share events you are opening up to the group that follows a different calendar, please email me (tracy.m.grijalva@gmail.com) before the next newsletter, and I will include it. You can also touch base with leadership within your fellowship.

SEPTEMBER

1st Day (Su)	2nd Day (M)	3rd Day (Tu)	4th Day (W)	5th Day (Th)	6th Day (F)	Shabbat
1	2	3	4	5 Shalom Studios Filming	6	7 1pm Qahal at the Park
8	9	10 Bible Study at Fuentes	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Bible Study at Fuentes	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Calendar (cont.)

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27	28	29	30	31					

October