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April 2024 – Adar II / Nisan 5784

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“YOUR WORD IS A LAMP TO MY FEET AND A LIGHT FOR MY PATH” PSALM 119:105

“This is [YHVH's festivals are] to be a lasting ordinance for generations to come, wherever you live.” Lev 23:21

SPRING BIBLICAL FESTIVALS
04/22/2024 (Mon) 5:00p – Passover Seder & Hag HaMatzot -- zoom
04/23/2024 (Tue) 5:45p – Yom HaBikurim -- zoom
04/28/2024 (Sun) 5:45p – Hag HaMatzot, 7th day -- zoom

TUE WED THU FRI SHABBAT

TUE		WED		THU		FRI		SHABBAT	
#1		#2				#3 & #4			
04/22/2024 (Mon) 23 rd @ sundown	04/23/2024 (Tue) 24 th @ sundown	04/24/2024 (Wed) 25 th @ sundown	04/25/2024 (Thu) 26 th @ sundown	04/26/2024 (Fri) 27 th @ sundown	04/27/2024 (Sat) 28 th @ sundown				
March 31 ^{#1} 28 th Adar II	April 1 ^{#1} 29 th @ sundown	April 1 ^{#1} 1 st Nisan @ sundown	April 2 ^{#1} 2 nd @ sundown	April 3 ^{#1} 3 rd @ sundown	April 4 ^{#1} 4 th @ sundown	April 5 ^{#1} 5 th @ sundown	April 6 ^{#1} 6 th @ sundown	April 7 ^{#1} 7 th @ sundown	April 8 ^{#1} 8 th @ sundown
	Biblical Hebrew 101 Mon 6:30-7:30 (AZ time) 8:30-9:30 (OK time)	Biblical Hebrew 101 Tues 1:00-2:00 (OK time)	Biblical Hebrew 102 Tues 5:30-7:00 (AZ time) 7:30-9:00 (OK time)	Biblical Hebrew 103 Wed 5:30-7:00 (AZ time) 7:30-9:00 (OK time)				26 th Sh'mini (Eighth) Details of readings are on page 2	
	April 1 ^{#1} NO HEB 04/01/2024	April 2 ^{#1} 2	April 3 ^{#1} 3	April 4 ^{#1} 4	April 5 ^{#1} 5	April 6 ^{#1} 6	April 7 ^{#1} 7	April 8 ^{#1} 8	April 9 ^{#1} 9
	New Moon: New Lunar month (evening 04/08)	Biblical Hebrew 101 Tues 1:00-2:00 (OK time)	Biblical Hebrew 102 Tues 5:30-7:00 (AZ time) 7:30-9:00 (OK time)	Biblical Hebrew 103 Wed 5:30-7:00 (AZ time) 7:30-9:00 (OK time)				27 th Tazria (She bears seed) Details of readings are on page 2	
April 7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
6 th Nisan	7 th @ sundown	8 th @ sundown	9 th @ sundown	10 th @ sundown	11 th @ sundown	12 th @ sundown	13 th @ sundown	14 th @ sundown	15 th @ sundown
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April 14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
13 th Nisan	14 th @ sundown	15 th @ sundown - * Matzot, day 1 Full Moon (evening 04/22)	16 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 2 Omer count 1*	17 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 3 Omer count 2*	18 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 4 Omer count 3*	19 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 5 Omer count 4*	20 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 6 Omer count 5*	21 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 7 Omer count 6*	22 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 8 Omer count 7*
	Day of Preparation	Passover Seder & Hag HaMatzot (Feast of Unleavened Bread) Shabbat Shabbaton	Yom HaBikurim (First Fruits)	Week of Hag HaMatzot (April 22 at sundown until April 29 at sundown)		Passover Special Shabbat Reading Details of readings are on page 2			
April 21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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20 th Nisan * Matzot, Day 6 Omer count 5*	21 st @ sundown * Matzot, Day 7 Omer count 6*	22 nd @ sundown * Matzot, Day 8 Omer count 7*	23 rd @ sundown * Matzot, Day 9 Omer count 8*	24 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 10 Omer count 9*	25 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 11 Omer count 10*	26 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 12 Omer count 11*	27 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 13 Omer count 12*	28 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 14 Omer count 13*	29 th @ sundown * Matzot, Day 15 Omer count 14*
28 April	Hag HaMatzot, 7th day Shabbat Shabbaton	30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7

Explanation of calendar:

*For explanation of counting for Matzot & Omer, please refer to page 3 of this calendar

#1 The Gregorian date.

#2 Hebrew calendar month & day.

#3 The Biblical day begins at sundown (rather than at midnight, as it does with the Gregorian calendar).

#4 The blue tint illustrates the festival says AND Shabbat from the beginning on Friday to the ending on Saturday at sundown.



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Date	Torah Portion (reading cycle) (**AS: Apostolic Scriptures)	Welcome	Shema Liturgy	Assistant Gabbai	Torah Reading (Hebrew)	Drash: Torah	Drash: Haftarah	Message
Zoom 04/06/24 26 Adar II	²⁶Sh'mini (Eighth) Torah: Lev 9:1-11:47 Haftarah: 2Sam 6:1-7:17 **AS: Mk 7:1-23; Acts 5:1-11, 10:1-35	Jim Robeson	Jim Robeson	Norman George	Lev 9:1 Denise Howell	Jim Robeson	Lori Robeson	Norman George
Zoom 04/13/24 4 Nisan	²⁷Tazria (She bears seed) Torah: Lev 12:1-13:59 Haftarah: 2Ki 4:42-5:19 **AS: Mt 8:1-4,11:2-6; Mk 1:40-45; Lk 2:22-24	Jim Robeson	Jim Robeson	Norman George	Lev 12:1 Frank Madrigal Lev 12:2 Norman George	Denise Howell	Vince Reterstorf	Don Cole
Zoom 04/20/24 11 Nisan	²⁸M'tzora (Infected one) Torah: Lev 14:1-15:33 Haftarah: 2Ki 7:3-20 **AS: Mt 9:20-26; Mk 5:24b -34; Lk 8:42b-48	Jim Robeson	Jim Robeson	Norman George	Lev 14:1 Frank Madrigal Lev 14:2 Norman George	Vince Reterstorf	Denise Howell	Don Cole
↓ ↓ ¹Passover Seder (end of 14 Nisan) & ²Hag HaMatzot (beginning of 15 Nisan) - <u>Monday</u> at 5pm 04/22/2024 ↓ ↓								
Passover Seder (Mon) 04/22/24	¹Passover Special Reading: 1st Day: Torah: Ex 12:21-51; Nu 28:16-25 Apostolic Scriptures: Mt 26-28; Mk 14-16; Lk 22-24; Jn 13-21; 1Cor 5:6-8 SPECIAL Lev reading: Lev 23:1-5, esp 23:4-5	¹PASSOVER Seder & ²Hag HaMatzot Service & dinner: Monday evening, 04/22/2024 at 5:00						Don Cole
↓ ↓ ³Yom HaBikurim / First Fruits (16 Nisan) - <u>Tuesday</u> at 5:45pm, 04/23/2024 ↓ ↓								
Zoom (Tues) Yom HaBikurim 04/23/24	³Yom HaBikurim Special Reading: Torah: Lev 23:9-14 Apostolic Scriptures: 1Cor 15:20-21 SPECIAL Lev read: Lev 23:9-14, esp 23:9-10	Jim Robeson	Jim Robeson	Norman George	Lev 23:9 Frank Madrigal Lev 23:10 Norman George	Torah Drash Lev 23:9-14 Denise Howell	Special Drash Lev 23:9-10 & 1Cor 15:20-21 Fie Duykers	Don Cole
Zoom Shabbat 04-27-2024	Passover Special Shabbat Reading: Torah: Ex 33:12–34:26; Num 28:19-25 Haftarah: Eze 36:37-37:14	Jim Robeson	Jim Robeson	Norman George	Ex 33:13 Denise Howell	Ex 33:12-34:26; Num 28:19-25 Norman George	Eze36:37-37:14 Jim Robeson	Don Cole
↓ ↓ ^{2&4}Hag HaMatzot, 7th day (21 Nisan) - <u>Sunday</u> at 5:45pm, 04/28/2024 ↓ ↓								
Zoom (Sun) Hag HaMatzot 7th day 04/28/24	^{2&4}Hag HaMatzot, 7th Day Special Reading: Torah: Ex 13:17-15:26; Nu 28:18-25 SPECIAL Lev reading: Lev 23:1-2 and 6-8	Jim Robeson	Jim Robeson	Norman George	Lev 23:1 – 2 – Denise Howell Lev 23:6 - Les'a Cole Lev 23:8 - Norman George	Special Drash Lev 23:1-2 & 6-8 Fie Duykers	Don Cole	

*Explanation of Terms for YHVH's spring calendar (note: Terms below are listed in order they appear on the calendar.)

The 3 Spring Festivals fall on 3 consecutive days in the lunar month of Nisan.

¹Passover (פסח aka Pesach). 14 Nisan



- The first spring festival is Passover.
- Passover is mentioned 57 times in the TaNaKh (OT) & in the Apostolic Scriptures (NT).

Yeshua said, "I desire to eat this Passover with you." (Luke 22:15)

"Now this day will be a memorial to you, & you shall celebrate it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations you are to celebrate it as a permanent ordinance," (Ex 12:14 NASB. Also Ex 12:1, 11, 15-28, 42, 43, 48; 23:15. Lev: 23:4-8, 14. Deut 16. Num 9:13. 28:16, 33:33; Josh 5:10)

- The English name is Passover; the Hebrew, *Pesach* (meaning "to passover" or "to skip over"); and the Greek word is *Pascha* (which unfortunately is often mistranslated as Easter in the NT).
- *Seder* is Hebrew word for order; the Seder dictates the arrangement of the Passover ceremony. The Haggadah is the telling of the story of Passover.

^{2&4}Hag HaMatzot (חג המצות aka, Feast of Unleavened Bread). 15-21 Nisan



- The second spring festival is Unleavened Bread.

○ "Then on the 15th day of the same month there is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the LORD; for 7 days you shall eat unleavened bread." (Lev 23:6; also Deut 16:3; Ex 12:8, 12:15, 13:3, 34:18, 1Cor 5:8)

- "On the seventh day (21 Nisan) you shall have a holy assembly; you shall do no laborious work." (Lev 23:6-8; Ex 12:16; Nu 28:18-25)
- Matzah (bread without leavening) is eaten during the 7 days of Hag HaMatzot. (Matzah pictures the haste with which the Hebrews left Egypt. (Ex 12:11, 17-18)

Shabbat Shabbaton (aka Holy Convocation & Holy Assembly). 15 Nisan

- The spring Holy Assemblies (aka Holy Convocations & Shabbat Shabbaton) fall on the Gregorian-calendar day following erev Pesach (Seder) and the 7th Day of Pesach.

"On the first day you shall have a holy assembly [holy convocation; מִקְרָא־קֹדֶשׁ], and another holy assembly on the seventh day; no work at all shall be done on them, except what must be eaten by every person that alone may be prepared by you." (Ex 12:16, 23:7; Num 28:18 NASB).

³Yom HaBikurim (יום הבכורים aka first fruits). 16 Nisan

- This is the 3rd of the 7 Feasts which God commanded the Israelites observe annually, during the barley harvest. (NOTE: The "Feast of First Fruits" is not to be mistaken with the "Feast of Harvest with the first fruits." Ex 23:16 NIV. The Feast of Harvest or Ingathering is also called the Feast of Shavuot, or Feast of Weeks, or Pentecost.)
- The Priests waved the first sheaf (omer) before the Lord (Lev 23:9-14).

"This is to be a lasting ordinance for the generations to come, wherever you live." (Lev 2:14, 23:14c; Nu 28:26)

"Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the sons of Israel & say to them, "When you enter the land which I am going to give to you & reap its harvest, then you shall bring in the sheaf of the first fruits of your harvest to the priest," (Lev 23:9-10).

Counting the Omer. From 16 Nisan until 5 Sivan

- From Hag HaBikurim, the 16th of Nisan, through the day before Shavuot (Feast of Weeks or Pentecost). An omer (or sheaf is a unit of measure) of barley is counted and was taken daily to the Temple.
- These 49 days serve as a reminder of the connection between the deliverance during slavery at Passover and the giving of Torah at Shavuot. (Lev 23:15-16)