

Favor Zion Ministries

“Now is the set time to Favor Zion”—Psalm 102:13

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Shalom Haveirim
--- Hello to you my friends,



September with its three celebrations of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and the seven-day celebration of the Feast of Tabernacles is past. I thought you might like to see the Sukkah, or outdoor booth I built for the occasion.



Reasons to Keep the Feast

Something that churchgoers in general may not be aware of is that the Feast of Tabernacles is a forever celebration. It is a joyful worship experience thanking God for His faithfulness. According to Leviticus 23:41, God commanded the Israelites through Moses to

celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles seven days beginning on the 15th day of the seventh month of the Jewish calendar. This was to be a forever statute in their generations.

Keeping the Feast of Tabernacles continues into the time when Yeshua returns to establish His kingdom on earth. In Zechariah 14: 16-20 we read “And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles” (vs.16). Just think, even the former enemies of the Lord and Jerusalem have to bow their knee in worship. All nations, including Egypt, who refuse will not have rain, and will have a national plague (vs.19). The command in Leviticus 23:42 states native Israelites are to live in booths for the seven days so their children do not forget God brought them out of the land of Egypt. This included an offering that exceeded the customary offering.

Ministry Possibility

Recently I too have requested an offering that is beyond your regular support of Favor Zion Ministries. In our July newsletter, I set out a plan or vision to reach 95,000 Orthodox Jewish people, who live in the Baltimore suburb of Pikesville, all with the same Zip code (a captive audience). The proposal is to mail a CD recorded by a

Messianic leader in Hebrew and English, and edited by me, which sets out the plan of salvation and the Jewishness of Yeshua.

My desire is to collect the resources to begin the task, with the possibility of more targeted mailings to follow. The amount I would like to achieve is \$100,000 to cover this mailing and others. That is about \$1.05 for each of the 95,000 people we plan to reach with the gospel.

To break down the money amount in smaller increments, visualize with me ten stacks of \$100 bills with 10 bills in each stack (or \$1000/per stack) to meet the need. Another way to say it is, it will take 1000 people giving \$100 each to equal the \$100,000. The vision is possible with everyone contributing, as they are able and maybe sacrificially, to complete the 10 stacks. We may just call it the "Ten for Ten Project". Will you help me to begin this undertaking and other avenues to reach and teach the truths of God's love toward the "lost sheep of Israel"?

As I said before, and it can't be stated enough, prayer for individual's receptivity to hear truth, and then to accept the truth with a humble repentant heart that Yeshua is the Messiah, is the most important first step for any outreach.

Salvation for Israel, God's Idea

I would like to refer to Isaiah 46:9-13 in the Amplified Bible. In verse 9, God says He is God and there is none like Him. He goes on to say in verse 10 that He is a man of His word. "Declaring the end and the result from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying *My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure and purpose*" (emphasis mine). What God has said He will do, He will do.

Then in verse 12 God makes a plea to the stubborn and rebellious that are far from righteousness. The promise in verse 13 is that "I bring near My righteousness (in the deliverance of Israel), it will not be far off; and My salvation shall not tarry. And I will put salvation in Zion, for Israel My glory (yes, give salvation in Zion and My glory to Israel.)"

It is the plan and purpose of Abba to have a remnant of Jewish believers on the earth when Yeshua returns to set up His kingdom. Favor Zion Ministries wants to make sure it will be a **large** remnant that bow their knee and with their mouth confess that Yeshua is Lord.

The Feast of Tabernacles is a week set aside to remember God's faithfulness to us. We want to be available instruments along with you to bring the message of God's goodness to people who have not yet heard it. Our proposed mailing project will be one method of doing that. Thank you for your prayers that vitally uphold this ministry.

Rabbi Ted