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From the Editor Dr. Dee

Kehillah B'nei Abraham (KBA) is translated as **Congregation of** the Children of **Abraham** where Jewish and Gentile Believers live out

their faith in the G-D of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and His Messiah Yeshua.

We worship and learn together from all the richness of G-D's Living Word (Genesis through Revelation); especially the revelation of G-D's Holy Son, Messiah Yeshua. We do this in the culture of Judaism (which is the culture our Messiah lived during His time on earth--His first coming) in order to better understand His teachings to live out His instructions in our daily

Open Arms for Visitors: Visitors are always a cherished part of our community! We extend a warm invitation to you, your friends, and your family to join us for any of our services. Our Shabbat Shacharit services are live streamed right from our website www.kba.life.

**KBA Website:** We have a plethora of resources (under the **RESOURCE** tab), plus, our services are now archived. Feel free to peruse our website. If you have questions, please let us know.

SERVICES: Our weekly Shabbat services are held in person at World Life Church, 495 S. Perry Street, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046, and also live streamed each Saturday at 11:00 a.m. Visit us at www.kba.life for more information.



# Cheryl Zettler



We finished the Counting of the Omer and the Feast of Shavuot (giving of the Ruach HaKodesh according to Acts 2) on Wednesday, 6/11/2024.

Counting of the Omer is for 50 days leading up to the Feast of Shavuot and faithfully for 50 days, Cheryl sent out the commentary and prayer to the congregation, so we could conveniently have the correct day, prayer, and a corresponding commentary. Therefore, I would like to thank Cheryl for her dedication to our

community, but most importantly for her example of Yeshua's love that she exemplifies. Below I have included Day 50 from Cheryl's email of the *Counting the Omer* for our reminder and edification.

# Day 50: June 11, 2024

#### Chag Sameach Shavuot!

In Acts chapter two we read about all the events that took place with the coming of the Ruach HaKodesh. This Day of Pentecost described by Luke was like no other day that had preceded it. As thousands of Jewish pilgrims made their way into Jerusalem with their loaves of bread in hand, a powerful display of Adonai's presence became evident. There was the sound of a mighty rushing wind, flames of fire rested on the 120 Messianic Believers, they were filled with the Ruach HaKodesh and began to speak with tongues. The Spirit-filled Messianic Believers couldn't contain themselves as they spoke of the mighty deeds of G-D. It must have looked like chaos, but it was really a powerful move by Adonai.

Yeshua had promised an endowment with spiritual power. How do we know with all that was going on that empowerment actually happened? We can tell by the transformation that took place in the lives of the disciples. The four gospels give us a vivid picture of what these men were really like and cause us to wonder if Yeshua had chosen good candidates for being Apostles. Yet, the coming of the Ruach HaKodesh dramatically changed the lives of these men. A transformation was so evident that nonbelievers were heard to say that they "have turned the world upside down" (Acts 17:6).

The Feast of Shavuot can now be seen in the light of its fulfillment as the Pentecostal power of the Holy Spirit has brought His miracle-working power into the lives of Messianic Believers. Shavuot is a season of spiritual refreshing, renewal, anointing, and

empowering. It brings a spiritual shift in your life where you begin to experience the fullness of the divine presence of the Holy Spirit who manifests Himself through you in powerful ways. Let this season of Pentecost be a season of power, victory, and abundance on every level of your life by allowing the Ruach HaKodesh to fill you with His presence.

**PRAYER:** Blessed are You, O L-RD, our G-D, King of the Universe, Who has sanctified us with His commandments, and commanded us regarding the counting of the Omer.

That was for the 50th day of Counting the Omer from "The Counting of the Omer to Shavuot: Fifty Daily Devotionals 2021 ~ 5781" by Rabbi Steve D. Coyle, D.Min.; Th.D.

Again, Cheryl, thank you for all you do as one of our faithful, fearless, and loving leaders at KBA! We thank G-D for you. You are loved and appreciated.  $\mathcal{D}_{ee}$ 

# FEAST OF SHAVUOT - JUNE 11, 2024













## HELPING HANDS NEEDED



We have magnificent leaders and helpers at KBA who tirelessly work to serve our Savior Yeshua, as well as the members of our Messianic Synagogue. If you are not part of a ministry, please consider lending a helping hand when you can. We are currently in need of help in the following areas:

- **Audio/Visual Ministry**
- **First Responders**
- **Greeters**
- **Ushers**
- Oneg Help See Cathy Smith

If you are able to serve in a KBA ministry, please contact one of our leaders...Rabbi, Bobby, Steve or Cheryl.





Please sign up to read from the *Torah*. There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the back of the synagogue. No drash (commentary/sermon) required.

# Prayer with the Rabbi 🙏



So, my dear brothers, stand firm and immovable, always doing the L-RD's work as vigorously as you can, knowing that united with the L-RD your efforts are not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58

At 10:00 a.m. each Saturday morning before *Shabbat Shacharit*, Rabbi Rene invites all men for a time of prayer. Prayer group meets in his regular Torah Club classroom located downstairs.



June Birthdays at KBA









May HaShem keep you and your family always and bless you. May your days be filled with the joy of our Master Yeshua, and May His favor and delight grace all that you do for Him.  $\mathcal{D}_{ee}$ 



Bar Mitzvah בר מצווה

(bar MITS-vah), which is a noun, means a son (bar) of the commandment; a man of duty. Normally at the age of 13, the Jewish boy reaches maturity and is obligated to observe the commandments. The *Bar Mitzvah* ceremony formally marks the assumption of that obligation, along with the corresponding right to take part in leading services, to count in a *minyan* (the minimum number of people needed to perform certain parts of the religious services), and more.

In its earliest and most basic form, a *Bar Mitzvah* is the celebrant's first *aliyah*, which literally means to ascend or rise, though for generations it has held the meaning of immigration to Israel. During *Shabbat* Services, shortly after the child's 13th birthday, the celebrant is called up to the *bema* to read the *Torah* and recite a blessing over the weekly reading, in addition to learning the entire *haftarah*, or lead certain parts of the services, prayers, and give a speech. The main idea: stepping into manhood and being responsible for living according to G-D's *Torah*.

We have one young man who is scheduled to make his first *aliyah*. Please see the following date below and, if possible, plan on attending this special ceremony to honor *HaShem* and our young man.

## BAR MITZVAH CELEBRANT

**Aron Carey** 

July 13, 2024

Torah Portion: Chukat

If you have further questions about the upcoming *Bar Mitzvah* ceremony, please contact Bobby Smith or Chad LaMontagne.



#### SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

**John 16:33** ... In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart, I have overcome the world.



Prayer for the Nations Ps. 46, 69, 85, 91, 144

#### **Devotional from Worthy Ministries**

The following devotional from Worthy
Ministries seemed to tie in nicely with the
Scripture for the Month, so with their
permission, I have included it in this newsletter.
Many of us are preoccupied with the events of
the world to the neglect of who we serve. Yes,
we should be aware of worldly events as we
await the return of our Master, but we should
never forget WHO we serve and why.

#### **Devotional:**

## **Greater is He that is in You!**

1 John 4:4 Little children, you are from G-D and have overcome them, for He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

While John warned against deception in the last days, and we should be mindful and discerning the times in which we live, keenly aware of the rise of the spirit of Antichrist — he also gave us encouragement: "...you have overcome them, for He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world."

The children of Israel failed their tests in the wilderness because they consistently forgot who their G-D was — and is! Since He actually dwells within us now, let's not repeat their mistake!

So, being an overcomer in these last days is not only knowing who your enemy is — **BUT NEVER forgetting who YOUR G-D IS!** Spend your days resting in the peace and confidence that greater is He that is in you, and that no evil of any kind can gain the victory that He has already won.

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- July 13, 2024 Bar Mitzvah Aron Carey
- July birthdays to be announced.

#### **Shout-out to Audrey Foster**



Thank you Audrey for your generosity to all the families at KBA. Thank you for organizing such fun ways to celebrate each member. We appreciate your giving for birthdays, baby showers, anniversaries, and to our leaders who faithfully and tirelessly serve our community each week. Thank you for the wagons you

provided for Bobby and Cathy Smith, so they could conveniently load and unload items from their truck to carry into the building each week.











Thank you, Audrey, for the T-shirts you provided for the little helpers for playing the telephone game and pulling the wagons out for Bobby and Cathy. Thank you for the T-Shirt for the absentee helper. Again, Audrey, thank you for your generosity and joyous disposition. We thank G-D for you and your obedience to his will. May Adonai fill your cup with His overflowing blessings. Dee

Please Remember: Many families are traveling this summer. Please remember them in your prayers for safe travels, relaxation, fun, and foremost being a light for our Messiah wherever we find ourselves.

Now, May Adonai bless each of you and all your loved ones. May His abundant mercies, grace and blessings fill your life beyond anything that you might ask or think. May He fill your hearts with gratitude and thanksgiving so your praises ring loud for all to hear and be blessed by your love for HaShem. I pray this for all of us in the name of our precious and forgiving L-RD, Yeshua.  $\mathcal{D}_{ee}$ 

Remembering Carolyn Atubeh's Mother



**Betty L. Sawyer** 

Betty L. Sawyer, Carolyn Atubeh's mother, and grandmother of Lydia and Caleb Atubeh, was admitted to the hospital recently. She suffered multiple organ failures and passed away. Please keep the Atubeh family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of this very special lady.

## **Mourner's Kaddish:**

Glorified and sanctified be G-D's great name throughout the world which He has created according to His will.

May He establish His kingdom in your lifetime and during your days, and within the life of the

entire House of Israel, speedily and soon; and say, Amen.

May His great name be blessed forever and to all eternity.

Blessed and praised, glorified and exalted, extolled and honored, adored and lauded be the name of the Holy One, blessed be He, beyond all the blessings and hymns, praises and consolations that are ever spoken in the world; and say, Amen.

May there be abundant peace from heaven, and life, for us and for all Israel; and say, Amen.

He who creates peace in His celestial heights, may He create peace for us and for all Israel; and say, Amen.

