

“Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!” ... John testified saying, “...He who sent me to baptize in water said to me, ‘...this is the One who baptizes in the Holy Spirit.’”

John 1:29-33 NAS

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Shalom, my friends,

Most of us would agree that change is a good thing as we grow in grace and the knowledge of our great God and his Son, Yeshua the Messiah. Last

month I spoke about one of the other promises that come with being a faithful witness, that of persecution for His name’s sake. Yeshua said, *“blessed are you when you are persecuted for righteousness sake...”* in fact, there is a special grace that comes upon those who endure this type of persecution when living their lives for the Lord.

One of the greatest privileges we can have is to suffer for his name in this way when it comes to us as faithful witnesses. Such circumstances allow us to pray for those who persecute us, calling down blessing and mercy upon our lost brothers *“who know not what they do.”* So please continue to pray for the lost sheep of the house of Israel, and pray for courage for those who will suffer as witnesses for Yeshua.

MJMI Is Growing!

Another change is the good news that MJMI is growing and expanding. The expansion I am talking about is the announcement of the appointment of John Glueck as Executive Director for MJMI. John has been a close friend and partner in my private life for a number of years. Now the Lord has made it possible for us to serve together for the glory of God at MJMI. I will continue in my service as President/CEO. Together, we will achieve great

things as we share the good news with Israel and the Nations. Like me, he’s a Jewish believer with the passion for sharing Messiah’s love. He and his lovely wife, Marcia, have been married for 40 years and have 3 grown children!

John will now share a word about the vision he has and his role as he begins his ministry at MJMI.

MJMI has a long and storied history in the service of God to his people Israel. This great work began at a time of God’s appointment just before the harvest of Jewish young people during the Jesus Movement, the key time during the last generation.

This transitional time for Israel and the Church came just after the reunification of Jerusalem during the Six-Day

War. Just when it appeared that the baby boom generation would be overcome by the powerful enticements offered by a new world of sexual permissiveness, populist counterculture and rejection of timeless values, God stepped in. He sent a tidal

wave of supernatural power revealing Yeshua to thousands of mostly young people, many of them Jewish. MJMI and its founder, Manny Brotman were wonderfully used by God at that time and afterward. I participated in leading

others to Messiah at that time as well.

Today is another such time in history. Another generation has passed and once again a whole generation is crying out for answers, believing that all roads lead to the same destination. The so-called Post-Modern and younger generations of people are lost and hungry for the reality of peace with God through Yeshua the Messiah. Israel’s enemies threaten her almost daily, the world has no answers for the troubles erupting on every side and weapons of mass destruction are now in the hands of madmen.

What is the answer to the problems facing humanity now?

The God of Israel is once again prepared to act in preparation for his soon return. He will reap a final huge harvest from the nations that He may fulfill his promise to save all Israel in that great day of the Lord. Nathan and I are being led by the Spirit to increase our part by proclaiming Yeshua, by discipleship and funding of leaders and by training others to go and do the same.

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During my last visit to Israel, I had the opportunity to visit a museum dedicated to the memory of Russian-born Jewish veterans of World War II. The sacrifice of these heroes of their generation will not be forgotten! Today, there is a new generation of Jewish young people yearning for peace and salvation, and it is our responsibility to proclaim the hope we have in Yeshua.



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For many years I have been engaged in this awesome work. Having been a part of five congregational planting efforts and functioning as a prophetic teacher, it is my firm conviction that God is once again preparing hungry hearts everywhere. My wife, Marcia, and I are looking forward to the things Yeshua has planned for us in his service at MJMI.

Welcome to the MJMI family, John. I'm looking toward the future with great anticipation!

A Season of Repentance

As you read this letter, we will soon be entering the seventh month of the Biblical year, a month full of *mo'adim* (appointed times) with the Lord. The first day of the month, which occurs on September 29th this year, is *Yom Teruah* (Day of Loud Blasts), generally known as *Rosh Hashanah*. On this day, Jewish people around the world begin a time of repentance and "good deeds" leading up to the holiest day of the year, *Yom Kippur* (Day of Atonement).

Yom Kippur occurs on the tenth day of the seventh month (this year, it falls on October 8th). Before the destruction of the temple, the high priest entered the Holy of Holies on this day to make atonement for the sins of the people of Israel. The sacrifice had to be made year after year, since the blood of animals cannot remove sin. As believers in the Messiah, we can rejoice that our High Priest, Yeshua, has entered the Holy of Holies once and for all, making complete atonement for us through His own precious blood!

In traditional Judaism, *Yom Kippur* is a day of fasting and prayer. Repentance of sins and petitions for forgiveness are offered up to God in place of sacrifices. As the Jewish people are turning to God during this season, we need to pray that

their spiritual eyes will be opened. *They must realize that without atonement, there is no forgiveness. Let's lift our voices together, praying that they will finally recognize their Messiah, who alone can take away sin!*

The final appointed time in the seventh month is *Chag HaSukkot* (Feast of Tabernacles). This feast—beginning on



While I was in Israel, I also had the opportunity to visit the Jordan River, where many once flocked to be baptized by Yochannon the Immerser (John the Baptist) and hear his message of repentance. We are now entering a season of the year when many Jewish people began to think about their own sins and try to find forgiveness. We need to pray that their eyes will be opened to Yeshua—the one who baptizes not in water, but in the Holy Spirit... and who alone can provide atonement for sin.



the fifteenth day of the month and lasting for seven days (October 13-20 this year)—is a joyful remembrance of God's wonderful provision and faithfulness. In the scriptures, the Jewish people are told to go up to Jerusalem and celebrate before the Lord during this time. As

God's people around the world take part in this feast, may they embrace Yeshua—the One who chose to tabernacle among us—as their only source for provision and protection.

The Harvest Continues

The harvest is continuing, and our ministry friends are hard at work in the fields. These men and women rely on you, the partners of MJMI, to help support them both financially and in prayer. Through your generous gifts, these friends are able to spend time building relationships and sharing the Good News of Yeshua with their Jewish brothers and sisters. Adonai is using our MJMI ministry friends to gather many Jewish people to Himself!

My friends, the task Adonai has placed before us is very great, and we cannot accomplish anything without your partnership. Please take a moment right now, to ask Him how He wants you to be involved with this work. Maybe you can start giving today for the first time. Perhaps you can increase or double what you have already been faithfully giving. You may have even been blessed with enough resources to send \$500—just the amount needed to bless an Israeli MJMI ministry friend for an entire month. Every gift, no matter how large or small, is a great blessing to this ministry.

I am excited about the future, and I look forward with great expectation to what Adonai will do among His people. He is surely moving, and I am thankful to be a part of His plan. As we continue to work together, I pray that we will soon see the day when all Israel cries out, "Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!"

With all of my love in Yeshua,

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