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## Feasts of the Lord in Prophecy Newsletter eNews!

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### Message from Pastor Mark

Shalom one and all !!

What a wild ride this year has been! Yom Teruah is past, the New Year has begun and Yom Kippur and Sukkot are just around the corner! Not only that but we have Marty Goetz coming on Oct 3rd to lead us on worship as we prepare for Yom Kippur.

I have exciting news from El Shaddai to those following us all around the world. GLC or God's Learning Channel, have asked me to be one of their programmers and will now be televising the teaching from El Shaddai regularly all year long! This is an exciting time as God will allow us to take His Torah to the nations. Be sure and familiarize with their website <http://www.glc.us.com/> and sign up to receive their broadcasts!

More exciting news as my wife and I will be travelling to India in January to help get a Hebrew Roots congregation launched in Hyderabad! A Pastor and his wife from there have asked us to help them get it launched and will be holding a seminar to reach the local people as well as pastors. You can find out more on our homepage!

Keep us in your prayers as we run the race to the finish line!

As many of you know, Israel, as always, is coming more and more into the limelight with "Jerusalem becoming a cup of trembling for all nations!" We live in very prophetic times. This next year will hold more disasters than the last one as the birthpangs get more intense year by year as we get closer to the coming of the Messiah. One of my concerns for the body of Messiah is if we get too distracted with all that is going on and coming down that we do not stay focused on the Messiah. It is too easy to get sidetracked with all the incoming flak. I can't help but remember the movie Star Wars where at the very end when Luke Skywalker and his buddies were going in and all the flak was going around them. His words were, "Stay on target, stay on target!" When people start coming at you with all the fears of coming comets, asteroids, wars and rumors of wars, don't get all psyched out. Take a deep breath and realize it doesn't matter if they are true or not true. God is in control, He already told us these things will happen, we are to rest in Him. Too many people have a problem with whipping up hysteria with their constant predictions



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and date settings of the rapture. Avoid them. This is a trick of Satan trying to distract you from working the harvest. Rather than working the harvest we spend our time in fear getting nothing done! Yes, the Lord is coming soon, so get out of the bunker mentality and go love somebody!

Are you ready for some Hebrew fun! Speaking of Hebrew, the Hebrew people were the ones called to reveal the Son. Let's see why. The very word "Hebrew" comes from the word #5676. **עבר**, 'eber, meaning to cross over.

Ge 10:21 Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber

Eber was Abraham's great, great, great, great, grandpa.

We find the first time the word "Hebrew" is used in the Bible is from:

Ge 14:13 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew;

Here we find the word "Hebrew" spelled in Hebrew as **עברי**.

It is the same word with the letter yood **י** added.

In the ancient Hebrew, "Eber", Abraham's ancestor, or , would have looked like this when written:

**עבר** Going right to left we see the first letter is an eye because the Hebrew letter, Ayin in Hebrew, means to see. So they drew an eye for the letter. The next two letters form the word Bar as in "Bar Mitzvah" and means Son. So an Eber is also one who sees the Son!

If you add the letter Yood to the word for son so it looks like this: **ברי** and it now becomes "My Son". In the ancient Hebrew it would look like this: **עברי**

The word "Hebrew" **עברי** in the ancient Hebrew would have looked like this: **עבר**

So if we separate the letters like this: **ע בר י** or like this:

The word Hebrew can be "seen" as those who see My Son!

More next month!

Be Blessed!

-Pastor Mark

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## FALL HOLIDAYS

By Tom O'Haver

## The Days of Awe, Day of Atonement and Feast of Tabernacles

By Tom O'Haver



### Days of Awe – September 29-October 7

Significance: A time of introspection

Length: 10 Days (including Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur)

Customs: Seeking reconciliation with people you have wronged

The ten days starting with Rosh Hashanah and ending with Yom Kippur are commonly known as the Days of Awe (Yamim Noraim) or the Days of Repentance. According to Jewish tradition, this is a time for serious introspection, a time to consider the sins of the previous year and repent before Yom Kippur.

One of the ongoing themes of the Days of Awe is the concept that God has "books" that He writes our names in, writing down who will live and who will die, who will have a good life and who will have a bad life, for the next year. These books are written in on Rosh Hashanah, but our actions during the Days of Awe can alter God's decree. The actions that change the decree are "teshuvah, tefilah and tzedakah," repentance, prayer, good deeds (usually, charity). These "books" are sealed on Yom Kippur. This concept of writing in books is the source of the common greeting during this time is "May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year."

Among the customs of this time, it is common to seek reconciliation with people you may have wronged during the course of the year. Tradition maintains that Yom Kippur atones only for sins between man and God. To atone for sins against another person, you must first seek reconciliation with that person, righting the wrongs you committed against them if possible.

Workdays are as usual during the intermediate Days of Awe, from Tishri 3 to Tishri 9, except of course for Shabbat during that week.

The Shabbat that occurs in this period is known as Shabbat Shuvah (the Sabbath of Return). This is considered a rather important Shabbat.

For those who are interested, here is a suggested Scripture Reading Schedule for the Ten Days of Awe:

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|-------------|------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| • Day One   | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:1-2  | Genesis 21:1-21; 22:1-19 |
| • Day Two   | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:3-5  | Job 1-14                 |
| • Day Three | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:7    | Jonah                    |
| • Day Four  | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:8-11 | Job 15-21                |
| • Day Five  | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:12   | Job 22-31                |
| • Day Six   | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:13   | Job 32-37                |
| • Day Seven | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:14   | Job 38-40:2              |
| • Day Eight | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:15   | Job 40:3-41:34           |
| • Day Nine  | Psalm 145  | Exodus 20:16   | Job 42:1-17              |
| • Day Ten   | Yom Kippur | Exodus 20:17   | Psalm 145                |

For more information visit the following sites:

<http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday3.htm>

[http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Hebrew\\_Roots/Holy\\_Days/Day\\_of\\_Atonement/Atonement/Days\\_of\\_Awe\\_Scriptures](http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/Hebrew_Roots/Holy_Days/Day_of_Atonement/Atonement/Days_of_Awe_Scriptures)



The Jewish Musical group the Maccabeats have a new song about the Days of Awe called the "Book of Good Life" at the following link:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRaQSbuTiBg&feature=player\\_embedded#!](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRaQSbuTiBg&feature=player_embedded#!)

## Yom Kippur- Shabbat October 8th



*...In the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, you shall afflict your souls, and you shall not do any work ... For on that day he shall provide atonement for you to cleanse you from all your sins before the LORD. -Leviticus 16:29-30*

Yom Kippur is probably the most important holiday of the Jewish year. Many Jews who do not observe any other Jewish custom will refrain from work, fast and/or attend services on this day. Yom Kippur occurs on the 10th day of Tishri. or on Saturday October 8, 2011.

The name "Yom Kippur" means "Day of Atonement," and that pretty much explains what the holiday is. It is a day set aside to "afflict the soul," to atone for the sins of the past year.

Yom Kippur is a complete Sabbath; It is well-known that you are encouraged to refrain from eating and drinking (even water) on Yom Kippur. Many keep it as a complete, 25-hour fast beginning before sunset on the evening before Yom Kippur and ending after nightfall on the day of Yom Kippur.

As always, any of these restrictions can be lifted where a threat to life or health is involved. In fact, children under the age of nine and women in childbirth (from the time labor begins until three days after birth) do not fast, even if they want to. Older children and women from the third to the seventh day after childbirth may fast, but they break the fast if they feel the need to do so. People with other illnesses should consult a physician and a rabbi for advice.

It is customary to wear white on the holiday, which symbolizes purity and calls to mind the promise that our sins shall be made as white as snow (Is. 1:18). Some people wear a kittel, the white robe in which the dead are buried.

For More information visit <http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday4.htm>



## סוכות Sukkot

*...On the fifteenth day of this seventh month is the Festival of Sukkot, seven days for the L-RD. -Leviticus 23:34*

The Festival of Sukkot begins on Tishri 15, the fifth day after Yom Kippur. It is quite a drastic transition, from one of the most solemn holidays in our year to one of the most joyous. Sukkot is so unreservedly joyful that it is commonly referred to in Jewish prayer and literature as the Season of our Rejoicing.

Sukkot is the last of the three pilgrimage festivals. Like Passover and [Shavu'ot](#), Sukkot has a dual significance: historical and agricultural. Historically, Sukkot commemorates the forty-year period during which the children of Israel were wandering in the desert, living in temporary shelters. Agriculturally, Sukkot is a harvest festival and is sometimes referred to as the Festival of Ingathering.

The word "Sukkot" means "booths," and refers to the temporary dwellings that we are encouraged to live in during this holiday in memory of the period of wandering. The name of the holiday is frequently translated "Feast of Tabernacles," which, like many translations of Jewish terms, isn't very useful. This translation is particularly misleading, because the word "tabernacle" in the Bible refers to the portable Sanctuary in the desert, a precursor to the Temple, called in Hebrew "mishkan." The Hebrew word "sukkah" (plural: "sukkot") refers to the temporary booths that people lived in, not to the Tabernacle.

Sukkot lasts for seven days. The two days following the festival, [Shemini Atzeret](#) and [Simchat Torah](#), are separate holidays but are related to Sukkot and are commonly thought of as part of Sukkot.

The festival of Sukkot is instituted in Leviticus 23:33. The first and seventh days of the holiday are observed like weekly Sabbaths. The remaining days are like regular weekdays.

## Building a Sukkah



For this who are interested, the following site give some good information the significance and building of a sukkah:

<http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday5.htm>



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## INTERNET COMMENTS

Thank you, very readable this month on iphone :- ) always good info and reassuring as well as instructive. Sent from my iPhone

Dear Friends, thank you for the very interesting news. Yes, our job is praying and praying in time of trouble in the nations. God is faithfull and I will, with His help ,be faithfull too! Shalom

I would like to receive your newsletters. Congratulations for the last one.

I'd like to receive your online newsletter please. Thank you.

Thank you I look forward to receiving it (The Newsletter). Some of my friends from church have visited Tacoma, and one day I hope to go. I'd especially like to go for Rosh Hashanah. Thanks again and Shalom

Pastor please send me your news letter...

Please put me on your list of emails and info. I am new to your website and hungry for more. Blessings on you and staff

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## RECIPES

By Tina Fallstead



### Kreplach:

An "old style" authentic holiday favorite

Kreplach are small squares of rolled pasta dough filled with ground beef or chicken and folded into triangles. They can be boiled and served in soup or fried and served as a side dish. They are traditionally served at the pre-Yom Kippur meal, on the seventh day of Sukkot (Hoshanah Rabbah) and on Purim.

### DOUGH:

- 1¼ C flour
- 2 eggs
- ½ tsp. salt
- 3 TB oil

### FILLING:

- 1 cup ground cooked beef or chicken



- 1 small onion, grated
- 1 tsp. salt

**DOUGH:** In a small bowl mix filling ingredients well. See Kreplach illustrated for filling and folding. Kreplach can now be either boiled and served in soup or sautéed in oil. **DOUGH:** In a large bowl combine dough ingredients together. Knead and roll out thin on floured board. Cut into 3-inch squares or circles.

**FILLING:** In a small bowl mix filling ingredients well. See Kreplach illustrated for filling and folding. Kreplach can now be either boiled and served in soup or sautéed in oil.

**TO BOIL:** Place in boiling salted water. Cook approximately 20 minutes until kreplach float to top.

**TO SAUTE:** Heat oil over medium flame in 10-inch skillet. Sauté boiled kreplach until golden brown on both sides.

**NOTE:** Dough will roll out more easily after being wrapped in a damp cloth for one hour.

**YIELDS:** 18 Kreplach



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## CHILDREN'S STORY CORNER

# THE WHALE HUNT

## (A New Jonah)

Submitted by Sue Belliveau

James Bartley grew up in England. As a boy, he listened to the stories of men who hunted whales. It was because of these stories that he, too, wanted to hunt whales. When he was 20 years old, he signed up on an old whaling ship.

“There she blows!”

On the deck of the ship, James heard the cry. This was the cry he had waited to long to hear. Now it had come. And James was afraid. He stood there feeling the cold run up his back. Then he ran to help the men put the longboats in the water.

James heard the sailors talking. They were excited. He looked out across the water. There was a whale! It was about half-a-mile away. It looked long and black in the water. James got into a longboat with some of the other sailors. They went after the whale. He could no longer see the whale because he was facing the ship and pulling at the oars.

The man with the harpoon stood up in the longboat. Why didn't he throw it? They were right on top of the whale by now.

At last the man threw the harpoon. The whale went down into the water to get away. Down it went. Down—until 500 feet of rope had been pulled away. Down—600, 700, 800 feet. Then the rope was still. There was no

sound but the water hitting against the longboat. The men waited for the whale to come up for air.

Suddenly the longboat seemed to jump. It was thrown high into the air! The whale had come up right under it!

James felt the longboat break into pieces. He was thrown out of it. He felt the cold water. And then it was dark. He was going down. It felt as if knives were tearing at him. Then nothing.

The men watched from the longboats. The whale went down again. The sailors went quickly to the broken longboat. They pulled the wet sailors out of the sea. The trip back to the ship was not a happy one. Two men had been lost. One was James Bartley.

Later, the whale came to the top of the water. It was nearly dead. The men went to it in the longboats. They killed it. Then the whale was pulled back to the ship and tied fast to the side. The men set to work, cutting it up. The sun set and night fell. The men walked along the back of the dead whale, cutting with their knives. Then a man's knife slipped. It cut open the whale's stomach. The men could see something inside! It was a man's foot. Quickly, the men cut into the stomach. Inside was James Bartley—alive after nearly 15 hours.

Bartley was taken on the ship. For two weeks he lay nearly dead. For another two weeks, he could remember nothing. But by the time the ship got back to England, James Bartley was nearly well.

Bartley left the sea. He became a cobbler. He stayed in England the rest of his life. Because of what had happened, he lost all his hair and his skin became very, very white.

Bartley's story spread. Many people came to see him. When he died, his tombstone told his story: "James Bartley, 1856 – 1909, a new Jonah.

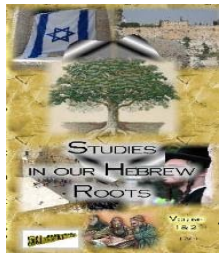
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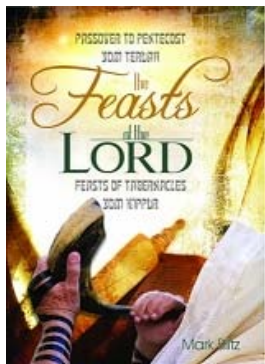
Submitted by Tina Fallstead



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By Pastor Mark Biltz

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By Pastor Mark Biltz

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