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INFORMATION ABOUT THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February was named after the Latin word "Februum" meaning purification. It was so named after the purification ritual "Februa" dedicated to deity Juno, held on February 15th in the old Roman calendar.

From 27th February to 27th March marks the sixth (6th) month following the Biblical civil calendar and the twelfth (12th) and final of the Biblical sacred calendar. February is the second (2nd) month according to the Gregorian calendar. February is the shortest month of the year with 28 and a quarter days. In "ordinary years", it approximates to 28 $\frac{1}{4}$ days. After every 4 years, the quarter days add up to one full day creating a 29th day in each leap year.

February is the only month of the Gregorian calendar year that can pass without a single full moon because it has only 28 days in common years. It is also the only month of the calendar that once every six years and twice every 11 years, will have only four full 7- day weeks.

This is a month of many deeply pagan events and it would do well to know their significance, in order to avoid participating in them, and helping other kingdom citizens to break free of the doctrines of men which have nullified the power of Jehovah in their lives.

The 1st of Sh'vat commences at sundown January 18, 2018. Tevet is the fourth (4th) month of the Biblical civil calendar and the tenth (10th) month of Biblical Sacred calendar. This is the Jewish year 5778.

WHAT IS THE NAME OF OUR GOD?

According to Wikipedia "Jehovah is the Latinization of the Hebrew יהוה, one vocalization of the Tetragrammaton יהוה (YHWH), the proper name of the God of Israel in the Hebrew Bible.

The consensus among scholars is that the historical vocalization of the Tetragrammaton at the time of the redaction of the Torah (6th century BCE) is most likely Yahweh. The historical vocalization was lost because in Second Temple Judaism, during the 3rd to 2nd centuries BCE, the pronunciation of the Tetragrammaton came to be avoided, being substituted with Adonai ("my Jehovah"). The Hebrew vowel points of Adonai were added to the Tetragrammaton by the Masoretes, and the resulting form was transliterated around the 12th century as Yehowah. The derived forms lehouah and Jehovah first appeared in the 16th century.

"Jehovah" was popularized in the English-speaking world by William Tyndale and other pioneer English Protestant translations such as the Geneva Bible and the King James Version. It is still used in some translations, such as the New World Translation and Young's Literal Translation, but it does not appear in most mainstream English translations, as the terms "Jehovah" or "Jehovah": used instead, generally indicating that the corresponding Hebrew is Yahweh or YHWH." (From Wikipedia)

In the Bishop's Bible (1568), the word Jehovah occurs in Exodus 6:3 and Psalm 83:18. The Authorized King James Version (1611) renders Jehovah in Exodus 6:3, Psalm 83:18, Isaiah 12:2, Isaiah 26:4, and three times in compound place names at Genesis 22:14, Exodus 17:15 and Judges 6:24.

The Leningrad Codex is the oldest complete manuscript of the Hebrew Bible in Hebrew. It is dated 1008 CE. You can download it at www.seforimonline.org/seforimdb/PDF/264.pdf

This Hebrew manuscript contains 50 occurrences of the full spelling of the name Yehovah.

The Aleppo Codex is an ancient vocalized Hebrew manuscript. It is about 100 years older than the Leningrad Codex but it is not complete. This document contains the name Yehovah. When you look at Ezekiel 28:22 in the Aleppo Codex it says: "Thus says Adonai Yehovah." I encourage you this month to read and study this document for yourself. There a website that will help you. It is www.aleppocodex.org

The King James Version uses "LORD" to translate the divine name in most instances.

Jesus's Hebrew name "Yehoshua" (יהושע) means "Yehovah saves" and is derived from יהוה. This Hebrew name became "Jesus" in Aramaic and "Ἰησοῦς" (Iesous) in Greek.

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF YEHOVAH (JEHOVAH)?

According to Easton's Bible Dictionary "Jehovah - the special and significant name (not merely an appellative title such as Lord [Adonai]) by which God revealed himself to the ancient Hebrews (Exodus 6:2 Exodus 6:3). This name, the Tetragrammaton of the Greeks, was held by the later Jews to be so sacred that it was never pronounced except by the high priest on the great Day of Atonement, when he entered into the most holy place. Whenever this name occurred in the sacred books they pronounced it, as they still do, "Adonai" (i.e., Lord), thus using another word in its stead. The Masoretes gave to it the vowel-points appropriate to this word. This Jewish practice was founded on a false interpretation of Leviticus 24:16. The meaning of the word appears from Exodus 3:14 to be "the unchanging, eternal, self-existent God," the "I am that I am," a covenant-keeping God. (Compare Malachi 3:6; Hosea 12:5; Revelation 1:4 Revelation 1:8.)

The Hebrew name "Jehovah" is generally translated in the Authorized Version (and the Revised Version has not departed from this rule) by the word LORD printed in small capitals, to distinguish it from the rendering of the Hebrew Adonai and the Greek Kurios, which are also rendered Lord, but printed in the usual type. The Hebrew word is translated "Jehovah" only in Exodus 6:3; Psalms 83:18; Isaiah 12:2; 26:4 ..."

Let us look at some examples:

1 Kings 18:24 says:

"Then you call on the name of your Elohim, and I will call on the name Yehovah, and the Elohim who answers by fire, He is Elohim."

Isaiah 60:19 says:

“No longer will you have the sun for light by day, nor for brightness will the moon give you light, but you will have Yehovah for an everlasting light, and your Elohim for your glory.”

The ancient Israelites used the name as a blessing in daily life. Ruth 2:4 gives us an example. It says:

“Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem and said to the reapers “May Yehovah be with you.” And they answered him, “May Yehovah bless you.”

WHY ARE WE LOOKING AT THE BIBLICAL CALENDAR?

Our current Gregorian calendar is a solar calendar (it is based only on the length of a year as determined by the sun). The starting day of the year and the length of months are not based on any physical or Biblical principles but merely a happenstance of history.

The moon is given to mark Feasts—which are usually explained as a certain day of a certain month in the Bible: He appointed the moon for seasons [Hebrew moed means “festivals”]; The sun knows it’s going down (Psalm 104:19, NKJV).

Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, At the full moon, on our solemn feast day (Psalm 81:3, NKJV).

Genesis 1:14-16 also states that the sun and moon are the two great lights to indicate “festivals, days and years”. The sun marks the days and years, but Festivals are in certain days of certain months—marked by the moon. The first day of a month (“new moon”) was observed with a special meal in the Old Testament (1Sam 20:5, 2 Kings 4:23, Amos 8:5). That practice continued in the New Testament Col 2:16.

The practice will continue during the new heavens and new earth (Isa 66:23, Ezekiel 46:1,6). New moons were not the same as the annual Feast days in Leviticus 23—there is no specific command and explanation of how to keep them. But many verses say they were observed.

Most references to dates in the Bible are like those of Genesis 7:11: “In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month...” The day and the month are numbered, but the year is given as a year of the persons’ life, the year of a king’s life, or the year from some big event.

Although months are generally referred to by number, there are two systems of naming them in the Bible. The first system uses Hebrew names, the second uses largely Babylonian names acquired when the Jews were in captivity in Babylon. The four Hebrew names are:

- Abib the first month (Ex 13:4, 23:15, 34:18, Deut. 16:1)
- Zif the second month (1Kings 6:1,37)
- Ethanim the seventh month (1 Kings 8:2)
- Bul the eighth month (1Kings 6:38)

The original Hebrew names for the other months are apparently unknown. (From Biblical Calendar Basics, Third edition - April 2002).

As we seek to understand the times we will look at events that took place in each month as determined by the Biblical Calendar.

WHY DO WE INCLUDE A SECTION ON PRAYING THROUGH THE HEAVENS IN OUR GUIDE?

Believers are a royal priesthood unto Jehovah (1 Pet 2:9), we have also been made kings and priests unto our Jehovah (Rev 1:6; 5:10). The priest's lips should keep knowledge and the law should be sought at his mouth (Mal 2:7). Jehovah interprets our ignorance of various aspects of the kingdom as a rejection of knowledge with grievous consequences (Hos 4:6). Knowledge of the heavens and how to deal with them in every season is a very important aspect of the Kingdom of heaven.

In Primeval Astronomy, "The Gospel in the Stars," Joseph Augustus Seiss explains the purpose of the stars and their constellations in their original context. In a lecture entitled, "The Starry Worlds," first published in 1882, he attests:

"Such wonderful creations of almighty power and wisdom were not without a purpose."

Seiss explains that stars and groups of stars, constellations, were created to fill the galaxy— in a particular order for a very specific purpose. God created the stars (Gen. 1:16) and positioned them in their exact places in the universe (Ps. 8:3). Stars were, "for signs and for seasons, and for days and for years, in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." (Gen. 1:14, 15).

Stars were so important that God named them.

"He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name." (Ps. 147:4).

The stars are a continual reminder that the Seed of the woman will ultimately triumph over the Serpent (Gen. 3:15). God's revelation is constantly told in the stars (Ps. 19) — which is a message of salvation — available to every generation who professes faith. (Romans 9-11, Joel, Isa.) The entire ancient world received the gospel prior to Christ ever being born— through the stars.

TEACHING – ISSUES OF THE HEART



We know how to take care of many things in our lives but many times we do not know how to guard our hearts.

Proverbs 4:23 – Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.

As 2018 has started, many of you have made New Year resolutions hoping that this year will be different. However, your year will only be different when your heart changes.

As a man thinks in his heart so is he. (Proverbs 23:7)

Transformation involves the head, the heart and the conscience. Wrong thinking and wrong ideas about God exists first in our minds. We are able to perceive the world through our minds.

My heart will not be open to submission to God's will until my mind is convinced of His perfect love and the goodness of His character. For me to experience the ongoing change of my character into the image of Jesus, the most valuable thing for me is the Word of God. As I read and meditate on the Word of God I am constantly washing my mind and my heart. As I abide in Him and He abides in me, I will bear much fruit.

We need the Word of God through the Spirit of God to renew our minds. We need God to give us a new heart. In Ezekiel 36:26 God says "I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh". True worshippers of Jehovah worship in spirit and truth. They worship with both hearts and minds and have been transformed.

Our consciences are the way that our minds perceive the spiritual state of our hearts. When my mind perceives that my heart is impure, I will not draw close to a pure God because of the convicting of the Holy Spirit, which convicts of both sin and righteousness (John 16:8).

How do we guard and protect our hearts?

Each one of us has an enemy. When you know you have an enemy you are careful with all areas of your life.

Read - Ephesians 6:10-18

Your battle is not against flesh and blood. It is a spiritual battle. There are people trying to fight spiritual battles with carnal methods. Many get discouraged because they have an armor that they do not know how to use. Ephesians 6:16 tells us to **“take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.”**

The shield here is the large heavy shield covering the whole body.

What are the flaming arrows? The arrows or darts, are the darts of temptation, whether from fear, or from lust, or from doubt, or from anger...you can think of many more.

Satan attacks the heart. If he gets an arrow into your heart he will be able to destroy you. The Word says to guard your heart for out of it springs the issues of life. If Satan throws an arrow of discouragement at your heart if you do not guard your heart you will become discouraged. You will give up that project that was assigned to you by God.

God has given us the shield of faith to shut down all attacks. The shield is placed in the front of the soldier, fixed in the ground and covers his entire body. When Satan throws an arrow of offense if you do not protect yourself you will be contaminated.

The Bible says to bless those who curse you and to pray for those who mistreat you. (Luke 6:28). You use your shield of faith when you bless and pray for the one who is cursing you. If you respond in the flesh the offense will harm you.

When someone throws anger at you and they scream at you, how should you respond? The Bible says in Proverbs 15:1 – “A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.” Use the shield of faith, respond with a soft, gentle and thoughtful answer (Proverbs 15:1 Amp.)

When Satan throws an arrow of doubt what do you do? If the arrow of doubt enters your heart you will begin to doubt the promises that God has made to you. Without faith it is impossible to please God. (Hebrews 11:6). Use the shield of faith. Respond in line with James 1:5 which says “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.” Faith is not a feeling. You get power and strength by grace through intimacy with God. The more intimate you are with God, the more time you spend quietly with him, and the more you yield to him and depend upon him the more empowered you become. When doubt comes draw close to God. Intimacy with God removes doubt. John 15:4-5 “Remain in me and I will remain in you ... apart from me you can do nothing.”

We have an example from the life of Jesus. Shortly before his death, Jesus was in the Garden of Gethsemane. He was sorrowful. He did not want to die. What did he do? He went away to be alone with God in earnest prayer. When he had finished praying he was prepared, equipped with the strength he needed to be able to die for us. (Matthew 26:36-46)

Fear is another arrow that Satan throws at you daily. God gives us promises. Promises require change. Change brings fear. There are many Christians living in fear. Fear paralyzes you. The opposite of fear is confidence. If you let fear conquer you then you will never do anything. Remember when Jesus was going with Jairus to his house. (Matthew 9:18-26, Mark 5:21-43) On the way to the house some people came and told Jairus that his daughter was dead. How did Jesus respond? Matthew 26:36 records that Jesus told Jairus “Don’t be afraid: just believe”. Fear comes by what you see, what you hear and what you think. If you think negative thoughts fear will come to you.

To remove fear you have to confront it. If you purpose in your heart to do something you will do it. When you act in faith you go above the fear.

1 John 5:4 tells us “Everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.” Faith is a protective barrier between us and the schemes of Satan. When we believe God and take Him at His word, we remain grounded in truth, the lies of the enemy lose their power, and we become overcomers.

LET US PRAY

- 1)** Pray that you would have the mind of Christ. (1 Cor. 2:16)
- 2)** Pray that you would have a new heart. (Jeremiah 24:1, Ezekiel 36:26)
- 3)** Pray that your conscience would be sprinkled with the blood of Jesus. (Hebrews 9:13)

WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING AS KINGDOM CITIZENS IN THE NATIONS?

Jesus instructed us in Matthew 28:19-20 (Hebrew Gospel of Matthew) to: "Go and teach them to carry out all things which I have commanded you forever."

This is what Paul did in Ephesus and in three years there was national transformation. Paul proclaimed the whole will of God Acts 20:27. As we pray for transformation in our nations what are we supposed to teach them? He said, "to carry out all things that He had commanded". We must teach them what the Bible says about family, government, politics...about all the spheres of society. We are called to be a transforming influence in society. The Bible provides us with a frame of reference for life.

The Jubilee Centre has over the past 30 years researched extensively around promoting good and right relationships at personal, organizational and public policy levels, as a practical expression of the biblical vision of society. Visit them on the web at www.jubilee-centre.org for resources to help you to teach them. If we don't teach them how will they know what to do?

"Jesus is LORD" is one of the most radical realities of Christianity. It means that He is the Supreme Ruler over ALL.

Jesus was commissioned by God the Father to come to earth, destroy the works of the Devil, and restore that which was lost. Jesus OBEYED everything the Father told Him to do. When Jesus left the earth, He gave His followers the same commission He had received from the Father - Go reconcile the human family to the Father, destroy the works of the Devil, and restore that which was lost. Proclaiming Jesus as LORD means we are to OBEY what He commands us to do. You are not saved to go to heaven: You are saved to bring heaven to the earth. Matthew 6:10 -- "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." (From <http://www.the-covenant-kingdom.com>)

This month as you pray through this guide ask Jehovah to show you what He would have you do to bring heaven to the earth.

PRAYING THROUGH THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

- Finally the twelfth and final month of the Sacred calendar is here, receive it with song ministrations of praise and thanksgiving to Jehovah.
- The first 3 months i.e. January and February signify a season of reflection. January is the 1st month of the Gregorian calendar, February is the 12th and final month of the Sacred calendar, and March is the 1st month of the sacred Jewish calendar. It's a season of endings and beginnings. Thank Jehovah for another opportunity to dedicate this key gate of time and season to Him. Declare Psalm 24 over these gates.
- Many people make resolutions during this season. Make prophetic declarations which dedicate this exit/entrance gate to Him. Refer to the various prophetic words that have been released especially over the New Year, and reinforce their significance at the watches of this key gate.
- It is a season of proclaiming the Word of Jehovah. Pray that Kingdom citizens will understand and submit to the processes He is taking them through especially in relation to their utterances, so they will not speak unadvisedly with their lips against His purposes. Job 32:8; James 4:7a; Ps 106:33
- It is a year of the Word of Jehovah. Pray that during this season as you increase your word intake and listen to, read, study, sing the scriptures then Isaiah 51.16 will be your reality – The word of Jehovah will be on your lips to create His purposes at every moment of life and existence. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere. Isa 50.4-5, 51.16, Psa 141.3.

This is the 2nd month of the Gregorian year. **Two (2) is the number of witness, differences division and distinctness.** From Gen 1:6-8, on the 2nd day the firmament was created and positioned in the middle of the waters to divide, separate the waters from the waters. In this month focus on the number 2 as depicting separation, division, difference and distinction.

- Pray that this month you will take a deeper walk of separation - and lead a consecrated life of separation unto Jehovah. (2 Cor 6:14-18)
- The world has come into the body of Jesus Christ and there is gross mixture, even outright ungodliness being permitted. Pray that the body of Jesus Christ will receive a revelation of the scripture that we are in the world but not of the world. Pray that you will be counted among the priesthood whom Jehovah is raising in these days, to take this truth into a reality and to disciple individuals, communities and territories within your gate of society to live out this truth becoming salt and light. (Num. 8:6, 2Tim 2:19, Matt 5.12-14, Joh 17:14-17)

The sixth month of the Biblical civil year will commence during this month. Six (6) is the number of man. Jehovah created the first righteous man in the end of the sixth day of creation week. (Gen 1:26-31) Everything Jehovah created was good, yet the moment He created man; He saw that everything was VERY good. It shows that the **RIGHTEOUS MAN HAS AN ENDOWMENT FOR IMPROVEMENT WHEREVER HE GOES.** Every kingdom citizen has become the righteousness of Jehovah because of believing and receiving the

finished work of Jesus Christ as our Substitute and Savior thru His passion, death on the greatest altar ever raised – Calvary and His resurrection to eternal life.

Romans 5.17-19 says: For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive Jehovah's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ, the Messiah. Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

- Many Kingdom citizens struggle to embrace the truth that, if we readily agree that we were born into the Adamic original sin and its consequences; not by what we did but because of the fall; then equally, acceptance of Jesus Christ's righteous act of redemption gives us a right to access everything that He died for; our salvation and we are imputed righteous. Pray that in this season of Grace you will gain a revelation of His imputed righteousness as a right for you to access all He has in store for you. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere.
- What does imputed righteousness encompass? How do we walk in our identity in Jesus Christ as "the righteousness of Jehovah?" It is by embracing salvation by grace through faith. In the Strong's Greek Concordance for the word "saved," the #4982 (108 occurrences rather than #4992 soteria with 5 occurrences) Sozo is the root word for another word Soter(ia) which has to do with save or Savior or salvation. "Sozo/Soteria" means "TO SAVE, DELIVER, PROTECT, HEAL, PRESERVE, DO WELL, BORN AGAIN, PROSPER AND BE MADE WHOLE." Many of us embrace only the "born again" part of salvation and struggle to accept and embrace the other aspects of salvation. Pray that in this season of the word, as you have a greater intake of the Word, everywhere you encounter the word "save" or "salvation" then you will read it and believe and receive it in all its various contexts as spelled out by the word "sozo".
- Pray that the body of Jesus Christ will recognize that Jesus Christ died for all creation and that we will take the revelation of His "sozo" to as many as are ignorant of the fact that He has already paid for every single one of them to be righteousness of Jehovah if they will only believe and receive Him and all He encompasses as Jesus Christ – which means "He shall save" (The One Who will save, deliver, aids, give victory, give prosperity, give health, give help, give eternal life, give welfare, prosper).
- The understanding and embracing of imputed righteousness is the beginning of understanding the Grace of Jehovah and accepting His unmerited favor. Only where grace abounds shall truth also be rightly discerned. Pray that in this season of grace you will experience every aspect of unmerited favor and other virtues of the term "grace"; and that you will receive by grace and through your belief in the "sozo" of Jesus Christ every resource, whether spiritual, physical or emotional and move further into your destiny path.

Read Heb 4.16 Many kingdom citizens struggle with condemnation due to various areas of besetting sins and weights that hinder our walk with Jesus Christ. We did not merit anything to receive Jesus Christ's full blessing. Similarly there is nothing we can do EXCEPT failure to believe in His finished work, that can remove us from the path of righteousness. That is why the blood of Jesus Christ is there permanently before the throne of Jehovah for us to come for repentance and cleansing, and to return back on track to fulfill our destiny. However, for many our own mindset, culture and religiosity have made us feel condemned and paralyzed to move forward in our imputed righteousness.

- A condemned building is one which has been rendered unfit for use. Condemnation whether by self or imposed says that we are unfit for use by Jehovah. Remind yourself on a regular basis, whether you have good success, or are struggling in an area of failure that you are the righteousness of Jehovah. You did nothing to deserve it in the first place, there is nothing you can possibly do to lose it. If you accepted freely that you were born in sin, not because of any particular sinful action but because of one man Adam, then you can as well accept freely that because of one man Jesus Christ, you were imputed righteous and have a right and access to all that His death and resurrection acquired for you – abundant life, peace, joy, wealth, health, success in every aspect of existence; by your faith i.e. belief and receiving in His finished work.
- In order to know Jehovah as Jehovah, there is need to demolish the idols that you have raised in your heart as the image of Jehovah. Is Jehovah your Shepherd so you shall not want? Or are there areas of your life which you still find wanting? Is your God Ruler of all the earth? Or are there portions of the earth you feel He is not present? Is your God a Healer? Or are there portions of divine healthy life that He has so far been unable to touch? Is your God a Provider? Or are there areas of provision which He has failed to meet? Is your God optional and not a necessity in every area of life? Then that is not Jehovah, that is something other than Adonai Elohim. Jehovah will respond to you according to that god whose image you have in your heart. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring down every imagination of Jehovah that you have hitherto had, and reveal to you Who Jehovah truly is. Idolatry begins not with bowing to things but with a wrong concept and image of Jehovah in your mind. Ezekiel 14:4, Romans 1:20-21 Romans 12:1-2

In this 6th month of the civil year, only those who are transformed by the renewing of their minds concerning the aspects of our imputed righteousness and the full expression of “sozo” in their lives and circumstances, will thrive. The scriptures say those who know their Jehovah will be strong and do exploits. It does not matter which deity one worships – those who know theirs and rightly identify with them will be strong. Today we see Muslims and Buddhists, Hindus and pagan worshippers who are diligent and know their god doing exploits whether positively or negatively. What will kingdom citizens do? As long as we do not understand who we are and what our rights as kingdom citizens are, then we shall be weak and be exploited as it is in the various territories today.

- The way of man is to DO things. Now Jehovah is calling you to BE. There are certain battles that have been ongoing and unyielding, Jehovah has said in this season that it is in being still, embracing your true identity as the righteousness of Jehovah, that you will see His “sozo” i.e. His redemption from eternal death, deliverance from various bondages and besetting sin, protection, healing, preservation, well-being, financial prosperity etc.
- Read Jer 17.9, Mark 7.21, 1 John 3.19-24; The human heart is desperately wicked. Therefore when we become kingdom citizens it becomes difficult to embrace “sozo” in its fullness with a condemning heart. Therefore in the scriptures in 1 John 3, the writer encourages us to continually convince our hearts of this imputed righteousness. Ask Jehovah to give you a personal revelation concerning this scripture in 1 John 3.19-24. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere.

Jesus Christ said that the heart is wicked and In Hebrews 4 we are encouraged to labor to enter into the rest of Jehovah. The labor is in convincing our hearts which continually condemn us, that we are the righteousness of Jehovah. We must labor to transform our minds to begin to think differently about all aspects of “sozo” including our right to divine health, financial prosperity, divine protection in an increasingly violent world, divine preservation from calamities, a right to long, abundant and joyful life etc. For the longest time, we have imputed Jehovah with wickedness when we experience calamities e.g. terminal illness, death, failure, and put it on Him

- As you pray for revelation, in this season, every morning, and at every given time, make a proclamation “I am loved by the True and Living LORD, Jesus Christ loves me; and I am the righteousness of Jehovah. I stand above reproach every time I enter the throne room of Grace to find help, and He delights in me for He sees the blood and the sacrifice, not my faults and my failures. His mercies for me are new this day. I will be a recipient of Jehovah’s love, mercy and unmerited favor in my home, my workplace, my relationships, my business, my fellowship and in every aspect of my life. I believe and receive everything I need which Jesus Christ paid for on Calvary for this day, and this season.” Remember you don’t have to feel it, but make it a habit to proclaim these truths often.

Kingdom citizens are encouraged to enter into God’s rest. Why? Jesus Christ paid it all. When our eyes are on Him, when we spend time in His presence, in the Word, renewing our minds, He will release divine economic strategies that will cause the wealth that has been so far amassed by the wicked to flow to the righteous.

- It is not because of anything you have done. You must change your mind concerning your spiritual exercises. They are good for YOU and do nothing to add or reduce Jehovah’s favor. They make you more sensitive to the spiritual, hear more clearly and then obey more easily. It is not merited righteousness, but unmerited favor because of our belief that Jesus Christ already anticipated this season 2000 years ago, and He already paid for it to pass over us. Praise Jehovah for this truth, and pray that you will receive your divine revelation of His grace as you labor to rest in the finished work of Jesus Christ. This year a number of fasts have been announced. This will be the purpose for your fasting, increased word intake, deeper prayer and intercession – to prepare to enter fully into His rest while the world rushes along.
- Read Psalm 24 and 50. “Recedere” is the Latin root word for recession. It literally means “return to Original Owner”. Psalm 24 informs us Who the Original Owner truly is. The reason why every kingdom citizen who embraces the full meaning of “sozo” will prosper, and thrive in this season, is simply because we are heirs to Jehovah’s possessions – the earth is Jehovah’s and the fullness thereof. In a recession when the world is going broke, it is time for Kingdom citizens to prepare their baskets and experience their greatest wealth transfer. Are you willing to obey, believe and receive “sozo”? Pray for renewed thinking concerning your imputed righteousness – pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere.

Righteous Governance

This is the 12th month of the Biblical Sacred Year. **Twelve (12) represents divine government.**

Today as many government legislations continue to push against Biblical patterns, and as the occult seems to gain strength in matters of government and law, there are many fears of persecution and great oppression of the Body of Jesus Christ, and those who will live Godly lives. Jehovah has given anyone who will seek Him the ability to stand against the onslaught of the enemy and to do exploits like Daniel did in Babylon, and like Joseph did in Egypt.

- Pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the Body of Jesus Christ back to the strength of the covenant we have with Jehovah. He will be with us as we take our roles and disciple our nations back to His purposes.
- Read Zechariah 5:1-5, Psalm 149:6-9, Isaiah 28:5-6; In this season Jehovah said He is vacuum cleaning every sector of society. He also said that He is raising governments that will develop zero-tolerance for corruption in a number of nations. Pray for your nation that there shall be a vacuum cleaning in the area of government and governance.
- Command the flying scroll that will go after the thieves in government to be released. Pray that every national thief, every continental thief, every local thief, every family thief and every destiny thief will be captured by the flying scroll of Jehovah.
- It is the honor and glory of every saint to execute the written judgments against kings and rulers. Command every seat of government authority, every piece of timber, every brick, every piece of furniture in every government buildings to cry out against any person who continues to operate in corruption, who has entered by bloodshed, or who has been established by iniquity in this coming season.
- Read Isaiah 60:18; Command the borders of your territory to reject every whisper of violence or destruction in this season. Let every perpetrator of violence at any level be exposed and severely judged.
- Command the walls of every government building to allow only that which will bring redemption and salvation to the nation. Command every gateway of government to allow only that which is praiseworthy in this season of divine governance.
- Rev 22:2, this is the 2nd, 6th and 12th months of the year. Pray that you and the Body of Jesus Christ globally will receive the fruit of the tree of life for the 2nd, 6th and 12th month for your spiritual nourishment.
- Pray that the leaves for the healing of you, your family, territory and the Body of Jesus Christ assigned for the 2nd, 6th and 12th months will be released for your bodies, souls and spirits.
- Pray that as the healing of individuals and groups occurs, there shall be a level of healing released into the land.

Birth Days

Is it the month of your birth? You may pray these only the weekday of your birth every week of the year.

- Thank Him for your specific day of birth. Declare that day blessed.
- Thank Him that He ordained that you will be made manifest on earth on a specific day in that month at a specific hour and minute.
- Thank Him that He has a purpose for your life and it will be fulfilled.
- Ask Jehovah to forgive you where you have for one reason or another, ignored or rejected to recognize your day of birth.
- Thank Jehovah for the day of your conception. (Psa 139:13)
- Thank Jehovah that when He thought of you, he already thought of your entire life. Thank Him that He did not leave anything to chance. (Isa 49:1)
- Thank Him that he knew exactly what your redemptive purpose was going to be. (Psa 139:16)
- Pray that He will reveal the original you more and more as you enter another year of your life. (Psa 139:13-15)
- Pray that He will restore the heavenly label, and the heavenly name He gave you before you were conceived. (Jer 1:5).

Speak into the foundations of your life and prophesy good things.

- Prophecy that you will live and not die prematurely in any area of your life. Your family will live, the work of your hand will live and grow from strength to strength Deut 33:6, Psa 27:13, 118:17
- Prophecy and proclaim the blessing of Levi upon your life as a priest unto Jehovah (2 Pet 2:9, Deut 33:8-11)
- Prophecy and proclaim the blessing of Benjamin upon your life Deut 33:12
- Prophecy the blessing of the wisdom of Issachar in every area of life. Wisdom to establish the work of your hands, your family, as you grow a year older 1Chron 12:32, Deut 33:18b-19, Pro 24:3-4
- Prophecy the blessing of Dan concerning your role as a leader. Prophecy over your inheritance that Jehovah will indeed ensure you leave an inheritance for your descendants. Deut 33:20-21, Psa 16:5-6.
- Prophecy the blessing of Joseph. Speak to the earth and declare that the earth will bring forth its best for you in this new year. Prophecy to the heavens to declare the glory of Jehovah over your life every day of this new year. Deut 33:13-17, Lev 26:4-5, Hos 2:21-22, Psalm 19:1-2, Isa 55:12
- Prophecy that you will grow in your spirit man into a matured son so you can receive your inheritance. Wherever you go in this new year, creation will experience release from frustration. Rom 8:19-20, Gal 4:1-2
- Praise Jehovah that your birthday marks the entry into another season of Jubilee. Thank Jehovah that immediately you were born, you cried out prophetically blowing your own jubilee cornet, and prophetically rejoiced in yourself. Ask Him to give you joy no matter your circumstance, to rejoice on this day

FESTIVALS DURING THIS MONTH

There are a number of festivals that occur during the month of February. A number have to do with the commencement of observances that lead up to the Easter period. One thing to note is that, every feast or festival that was “superimposed” with a Christian significance always tends toward a lot of destruction to the family and community at large in one way or another.

Over the years the enemy has taken these celebrations which are a counterfeit of the Feasts of Jehovah and turned them into something wicked. Many of these festivals have become very deeply entrenched among kingdom citizens of various denominations, so that it is almost very offensive to say anything contrary to just ‘going with the flow’ and embracing whatever cute meaning is wrapped around these days.

- First and foremost put it in your heart that every day, and every single moment of it is Jehovah’s day and it is our duty to rejoice, be glad in it and fulfill His redemptive purpose for us within those segments of time. Therefore praise Jehovah for each day of the festivals for He made the day for His pleasure. Rev 4.11

The Carnival, Valentine’s Day, Fat Tuesday (Mardi Gras) And Lent

There is a lot of history tied into the above festivals. Though celebrations like the Carnival and Mardi-Gras are not very popular in modern day Africa, their roots are found on the continent. Valentine’s day and Lent have both gained more and more prominence in a number of denominations within the Ecclesia. Each of these festivals and observances are rooted in pagan practices. Having done away with the power of the Holy Spirit to transform, the early Roman church found it very difficult to transform their followers from these observances. Therefore they simply superimposed the Feasts of Jehovah over some of the more popular observances.

At first it seemed very harmless, but as the years have gone by, many of these festivals that were supposedly tied in with Jehovah are exposed for what they really stand for as nations especially in the west turn further away from Jehovah. Christmas is no longer considered a “holy” celebration. It is now a hollow time of lasciviousness and licentiousness. It is now referred to as “Festive Season” with no particular meaning. Similarly the celebrations around the Easter are being coined into something else as men turn further away from Jehovah. This is the common trend with every doctrine of men – to nullify the power of Jehovah and give worship to the enemy.

Valentine’s day: Like Christmas, Easter, Halloween, New Year’s and other holidays of this world, St. Valentine’s Day is another attempt to “whitewash” perverted customs and observances of pagan gods and idols by “Christianizing” them.

As innocent and harmless as St. Valentine’s Day may appear, its traditions and customs originate from two of the most sexually perverted pagan festivals of ancient history: Lupercalia (feast of sexual license) and the feast day of Juno Februata.

The Romans celebrated Lupercalia to honor the hunter god Lupercus god of fertility and husbandry, protector of herds and crops, and a mighty hunter. To the Greeks, from whom the Romans had copied most of their mythology, Lupercus was known as Pan, the god of light. The Phoenicians worshipped the same deity as Baal, the sun god. Baal was one of many names or titles for Nimrod, a mighty hunter, especially of wolves. He was also the founder and first lord of Babel (Gen. 10:10-12). Defying Jehovah, Nimrod was the originator of the Babylonian Mystery Religion, whose mythologies have been copied by the Egyptians, the Greeks, the Romans and a multitude of other ancient peoples. Under different names or titles—Pan, Lupercus, Saturn, Osiris—Nimrod is the strong man and hunter-warrior god of the ancients.

From Feb. 13 to 15, the Romans celebrated the feast of Lupercalia. The men sacrificed a goat and a dog,. Clothed in loincloths made from the sacrificed goats and dogs smeared in their blood, the Luperci (male priests assisted by female vestal virgins) would run about Rome, striking women with februa, thongs made from skins of the sacrificed animals. The Luperci believed that the floggings purified women and guaranteed their fertility and ease of childbirth. This bloody pagan rite is where the red color of the day comes from.

The brutal fete included a matchmaking lottery, in which young men drew the names of women from a jar. To the Romans, February was also sacred to Juno Februata, the goddess of febris (“fever”) of love, and of women and marriage. On February 14, billets (small pieces of paper, each of which had the name of a teen-aged girl written on it) were put into a container. Teen-aged boys would then choose one billet at random. The boy and the girl whose name was drawn would become a “couple,” joining in erotic games at feasts and parties celebrated throughout Rome. After the festival, they would remain sexual partners for the rest of the year. This custom was observed in the Roman Empire for centuries.

After Constantine had made the Roman church’s brand of Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire (A.D. 325), church leaders wanted to do away with the pagan festivals of the people. Lupercalia was high on their list. But the Roman citizens thought otherwise.

It was not until A.D. 496 that the church at Rome was able to do anything about Lupercalia. Powerless to get rid of it, Pope Gelasius instead changed it from February 15 to the 14th and called it St. Valentine’s Day. It was named after one of that church’s saints, who, in A.D. 270, was executed by the emperor for his beliefs.

In A.D. 494, Pope Gelasius renamed the festival of Juno Februata as the “Feast of the Purification of the Virgin Mary.” The date of its observance was later changed from February 14 to February 2, then changed back to the 14. It is also known as Candlemas, the Presentation of Jehovah, the Purification of the Blessed Virgin and the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

Today, the holiday is big business. And so the celebration of Valentine's Day goes on, in varied ways. Many will break the bank buying jewelry and flowers for their beloveds. Others will celebrate in a SAD (that's Single Awareness Day) way, dining alone and binging on self-gifted chocolates.

- During the season surrounding the Easter celebration there is increase sexual immorality as pagan deities are given homage in veiled rituals and observances. This season of endings and new beginnings between December and March tends to have some of the vilest observances which usher

in new season and plunge whole territories into grosser darkness with each observance. Pray for revelation within the Ecclesia which has ignored the real feasts of Jehovah but rather given great prominence to these other ungodly feasts

- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you gain a greater revelation of these seasons of men and how they take away from the real Feasts of Jehovah. It is only by obedience and revelation that the grip these particular holidays have can be released from kingdom citizens.
- These festivals of men have become cause for untold damage to relationships and a greater sense of loneliness for others. It is a season where in nations like Namibia, they record the highest number of suicides. When people feel abandoned or rejected because they have not been remembered with “gifts”, there is a sense of guilt when relatives, friends or colleagues cannot afford to spend lavishly or give “time off” to employees during these festivals. Marriages have experienced breakdown because at Christmas or Easter certain expectations were not met in terms of time spent with loved ones, gifts and holidays given to significant others, illicit affairs exposed, sickness even death from over indulgence and reckless abandon in morals and general behavior. Yet funny enough, you never hear of such damage to relationships because of the 7 real Feasts of Jehovah. Ask Jehovah to deliver you and kingdom citizens at large from the traps of the enemy wrapped up in these various celebrations.
- Some good has come out of these days when people have taken them seriously for what they are supposed to stand for. Thank Jehovah that He redeems everything for His own purposes especially when His people are still very ignorant about these celebrations.
- When you gain a revelation of these festivals and their true significance – for the enemy to find any worship he can gain, do not condemn those who are ignorant; rather pray for them and that their eyes will be opened to rather begin to respect the Feasts of Jehovah instead.

Carnival: Voodoo/voudon is a pagan religious practice popular in ancient West Africa. It incorporates a lot of magic, witchcraft, sacrifices and self-indulgent activities. There was specific worship music and dance composed especially for that carnival. Basically the priests of the various demon-deities worshipped in voudon would be celebrated as people danced on the streets to rhythmic intoxicating music with carefree abandon. That music and dance was referred to as “semba” (meaning “to invoke” the spirits) which was borrowed by the Portuguese and renamed “samba” very popular in South America and the Caribbean today.

On 14th February the most popular voudon carnival commences in Haiti and spreads around through the Caribbean and then South America. Inspired by Voudon carnivals of ancient West Africa, the Carnivals in , the Caribbean islands, South America are rapidly being embraced in other parts of the world. During the season which amalgamates with Valentine’s Day, there is an acceleration of immoral events – gay pride

marches involving lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender culture, and the carnival celebrated in the Caribbean Islands and South America are all celebrated around the 14th – 16th February.

They are a platform for promoting very deep levels of sexual immorality, drug abuse and the wildest self-indulgent activities. The Carnival gives the last opportunity for revelry and self-indulgence in food, drink, music and sex, after which the “Christians” put up an act of penance during Lent! They thereby express high levels of hypocrisy to the faith.

- What religious observances have you been involved with? What are their origins? Do you realize that you dedicate your day/days to the deities you serve? Are you aware that these observances are renewals of covenants whose conditions you may not be fully aware of? When you take up dances like “Samba” do you realize you are invoking certain deities? Do you realize that these intoxicating dances that are so popular have a deeply pagan origin inspired by demon-deities for purpose of worship to themselves?
- Have you even “Christianized” some of these dances/music styles? Is it impossible for Jehovah to inspire dance and music styles that will glorify Him? Do we have to always copy the ways of the world? Do you realize that you are drawn to that kind of music/dance because of its intoxicating style deliberately implanted by these demon deities?
- Do you realize that when you do not make those covenantal renewal observations especially blood sacrifices as required, there is a backlash on you? Do you notice increased levels of bloodletting, even death through accidents ? Ask Jehovah to give you understanding of His righteous standards in all these aspects.
- Do you wonder why there may be some calamities that befall people because of rituals and practices you may be ignorantly practicing? From the Christmas season to the time of Epiphany on the 12th night after Christmas, through to the Carnivals and Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) events and the Lent season up to the Easter season, there is escalating pagan practices that bring many to bondages they may not even be aware of.

Fat Tuesday/Mardi Gras: Billed as the “greatest free party on earth,” Mardi Gras is celebrated by millions around the world. Colorful costumes. Spectacular parades. Elegant pageants. Masked balls. People dancing in the streets to rhythmic, intoxicating music. All with an air of carefree abandon. As the music reverberates, alcohol flows. Wildly elaborate floats glide down the street, with frenzied masqueraders onboard. Crowds of onlookers shout encouragement.

Mardi Gras (also called “Carnival” in many countries) is a time of unrestrained merrymaking, in which participants passionately indulge every fleshly desire. Celebrated predominantly in Roman Catholic communities in Europe and Latin America, pre-Lenten carnivals are spreading in the U.S and Africa too. Even Asia is not being left behind in these festivities.

Although the term Mardi Gras refers to a specific day, it is not a single-day celebration. Every year, beginning in January, Carnival festivities occur daily, culminating in the final climatic Mardi Gras celebration the day before the observance of Lent, a 40-day period of self-denial. Mardi Gras is considered to be the last day for

indulging in the pleasures of the flesh before Lent begins. In fact, the word Carnival means “farewell to the flesh,” and comes from the Latin words carnis (“flesh”) and vale (“farewell”).

The earliest record comes from ancient times, when tribes celebrated a fertility festival that welcomed the arrival of spring, a time of renewal of life. The Romans called this pagan festival Lupercalia in honor of “Lupercus,” the Roman god of fertility as explained previously. Lupercalia was a drunken orgy of merrymaking held each February in Rome, after which participants fasted for 40 days.

Also it dates from the pre-Christian era when the Druids sacrificed offerings to pagan gods, seeking more fertile women and livestock. This day was also known as “Shrove Tuesday” (from the old English word “shrive,” which means to confess all sins) and “Pancake Tuesday.” The custom of making pancakes came from the need to use up all the fat, eggs and dairy products before the fasting period of Lent began.

Interestingly, similar to modern celebrations, the Romans donned masks, dressed in costumes and indulged all of their fleshly desires as they gave themselves to the gods “Bacchus” (god of wine) and “Venus” (goddess of love). The masks and costumes were used as disguises to allow sexual liberties not normally permitted as individuals engaged in “bacchanal,” the drunken and riotous occasion in honor of Bacchus.

In France, the festival was called Mardi Gras, meaning “Fat Tuesday.” This name comes from the ancient pagan practice of killing and eating a fattened calf on the last day of Carnival; Mardi Gras represents a blend of religion and immorality, steeped in ancient pagan fertility rites.

As pagans converted to Catholicism, they did not want to give up this popular celebration. Church leaders, seeing that it was impossible to divorce the new converts from their pagan customs, decided to “Christianize” this festival. Thus, Carnival was created as a time of merrymaking immediately preceding their pagan 40-day fast, which the church renamed “Lent.” During Carnival, participants indulged in madness and all aspects of pleasure allowable, including gluttony, drunkenness and fornication.

In modern times as Jehovah is removed from western societies, on Fat Tuesday, revelers jam the streets with non-stop partying. The atmosphere is charged with drunkenness and unbridled sexual activity and perversion. In the French Quarter, homosexuals have costume contests before audiences of thousands. Women lean over balconies and openly expose their nakedness to anyone who will give Mardi Gras beads to them (The rosary was given to superimpose the Mardi-Gras beads). The practice of revelers engaging in sex with strangers is common and marriages and relationships suffer. After the festival ends, city streets are so filthy that the following day is jokingly referred to as “Trash Wednesday,” instead of Ash Wednesday.

Lent: This year Lent begins on February 14 and end on March 29. Unfortunately the foundations of the coming season of Lent leading up to Easter are not as Godly as they seem. Today, Lent is used for “fasting from sin and from vice...forsaking sin and sinful ways.” It is a season “for penance, which means sorrow for sin and conversion to Jehovah.” This tradition teaches that fasting and employing self-discipline during Lent

will give a worshipper the “control over himself that he needs to purify his heart and renew his life. However, the Scriptures clearly show that self-control—temperance—comes from having the Holy Spirit working in the life of a converted mind (Gal. 5:16-17, 22-23). Fasting—of and by itself—cannot produce Godly self-control. Read Col 2.20-23: Paul warned against using self-denial as a tool to rely on your own will. He called it “will worship.” Jehovah did not design fasting as a tool for penance, “beating yourself up” or developing will power: Isa 58.5-7. It is meant to subdue our flesh so we are more alert in our spirit man to hear and obey Jehovah, to humble ourselves and draw closer to Him so we can think and act like Him and live His way of life in every aspect. Jer. 9.23-24.

Coming from the Anglo-Saxon Lencten, meaning “spring,” Lent originated in the ancient Babylonian mystery religion. “The forty days abstinence of Lent was directly borrowed from the worshippers of the Babylonian goddess...Among the Pagans this Lent seems to have been an indispensable preliminary to the great annual festival in commemoration of the death and resurrection of Tammuz...” (The Two Babylons). Tammuz was the false Messiah of the Babylonians—a satanic counterfeit of Jesus Christ.

The Feast of Tammuz was usually celebrated in June (also called the “month of the festival of Tammuz”). Lent was held 40 days before the feast, celebrated by alternate weeping and rejoicing. This is why Lent means “spring”; it took place from spring to early summer.

The Bible records ancient Judah worshipping this false Messiah Ezek. 8.14. Again, to conciliate the Pagans to nominal Christianity, ancient Roman church, took measures to get the Christian and Pagan festivals amalgamated, and, by a complicated but skillful adjustment of the calendar, it was found no difficult matter, in general, to get Paganism and Christianity—now far sunk in idolatry—in this as in so many other things, to shake hands. The Roman church replaced Passover with Easter, moving the pagan Feast of Tammuz to early spring, “Christianizing” it. Lent moved with it. This change of the calendar in regard to Easter was attended with momentous consequences. It brought into the Church the grossest corruption and the rankest superstition in connection with the abstinence of Lent

Before giving up personal sins and vices during Lent, the pagans held a wild, “anything goes” celebration to make sure that they got in their share of debaucheries and perversities—what the world celebrates as Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday today.

- Jesus Christ said in John 8.32 – You shall know the truth and the truth (you know) shall set you free. The information given is for the knowledge of believers. There is a lot of information available today on these various festivals. Since we are in an epoch making season within the Ecclesia and the nations, there is need for an army of kingdom citizens who will be able to stand like Daniel and Joseph within ungodly societies, and influence each gate with the purposes of Jehovah. How will we do it when we are entangled with pagan covenantal practices? If you will stand in this key season,

you need to decide whom you will serve and what you will dedicate your times and seasons to. Now you know, ask for guidance from the Holy Spirit on what direction you will take.

- Read 1 Cor 14.33; Jehovah is not the Author of confusion. He never instituted Lent, a pagan observance connecting debauchery to the supposed resurrection of a false Messiah. As the Holy Spirit leads you, bring repentance for involving yourself in such observances.
- Read Jer. 10.23 and 17.9, Matt 4.4, John 10.35: Jehovah commands His people to follow Him—not the traditions of men. His ways are higher—better than man’s Isa 55.8-9.. Men cannot determine for themselves right from wrong or how to properly worship Jehovah. Only He can has given clear direction on how He should be worshipped and honored and it is all documented in Scriptures. We must realize that our worship must be by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of Jehovah and that His scriptures are irrevocable. Pray as the Holy Spirit will lead you on these matters. Rev 18.2-4, 2 Cor 4.4, Rev 12.9
- Pray that in this season you will pay greater attention to the reality of the Feasts of Jehovah rather than pagan festivals that are covered with a thin veil of piety and religiosity.
- Pray that your belief that each day is the day of Jehovah, means that it shall be completely dedicated to Him and Him alone; without the trappings of the doctrines of men.
- Jesus Christ made it clear exactly what observances ought to be made by His disciples in every generation - As surprising as it may seem, Lent was never observed by Christ or His apostles. He commanded His disciples to “Go you therefore, and teach all nations...to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you” (Matt. 28:19-20). Jesus Christ never commanded them to observe Lent or Easter. He did, however, command the keeping of Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread. In fact, during His last Passover on Earth, He gave detailed instructions on how to observe the Passover service. He also instituted new Passover symbols with Himself as the Lamb of Jehovah slain for the salvation of the world (John 13:1-17; Luke 22:19-20).

THE MONTH OF SHEVAT

The Eleventh Month of the Hebrew calendar became known as “Shevat” and the fifth month of the “civil year”, after the Babylonian Exile. The word “**Shevat**” comes from the Akkadian word “*Šabātu*” which means to “**strike**” referring to the heavy rainfall during the season. The Eleventh Month has 30 days and typically occurs in Winter during the months of January to February on the Gregorian calendar.

The following are some of the significant events in Jewish history which occurred during the Eleventh Month, also known as “**Shevat**”:

Pre-Babylonian Exile

- **1 of Eleventh Month** – Moses repeats the Torah (Deuteronomy 1:3)
- **2 of Eleventh Month** (circa 1628 BC) – Asher born

Post-Babylonian Exile

- **24 of Shevat** (517 BC) – **Zechariah**’s prophecy (**Zechariah** 1:7-16)
- **28 of Shevat** (**circa** 134 BC) – **Antiochus V** abandoned his siege of **Jerusalem** and his plans for the city’s destruction. This day was observed as a holiday in Hasmonean times. (Megilat Taanit)

PRAYING FOR NATIONS

Liberia

President George Weah was sworn in as the new president of Liberia on January 22, 2018.

Syria

Turkish troops took control of 11 Syrian Kurdish force positions and created “safe zones” in neighboring Syria’s northwestern region of Afrin. The Turkish army, aided by Free Syria Army rebels, is pushing towards the southern part of the Syrian region with fronts on the west and the east.

The Philippines

Mount Mayon erupted on January 22, 2018 forcing 56,000 villagers into evacuation centers.

Japan

Mount Kusatsu-Shirane erupted on January 23, 2018 injuring dozens of people and killing a soldier.

Indonesia

A 6.4 magnitude earthquake struck Java on January 23, 2018 causing injuries and damaging over 130 buildings.

Please use these prayer points as you pray for the nations listed above:

- Pray for the victims- that Jehovah would comfort them, pray that family members will be reunited.
- Pray for healing and mercy - God is our comfort and strength Psalm 46:1, Psalm 57:1-2
- Pray for wisdom and safety for those responding to the people in need. Pray for the safety of the rescue workers.
- Pray for the Body of Christ in the nation. Pray that the Body of Christ will be a witness to God's compassion and care for all who suffer. God is inviting us to be His watchmen in prayer and find Him as our refuge in hard times.

National Days

- 1) Sami (Sweden, Finland, Norway, Russia) 6 February (first Sami congress was held 1917 in Trondheim, Norway)
 - 2) Sri Lanka 4 February (Independence from the United Kingdom in 1948)
 - 3) Niue 6 February
 - 4) New Zealand 6 February (Waitangi Day signing of the Treaty of Waitangi 1840)
 - 5) Grenada 7 February (Declaration of independence from United Kingdom in 1974)
 - 6) Japan 11 February (National Foundation Day Jimmu the first emperor, is crowned in 660 BC)
 - 7) Serbia 15 February (The beginning of the Serbian revolution against Ottoman rule in 1804)
 - 8) Lithuania 16 February Lithuanian State Reestablishment Day (declaration of independence from Russia and Germany in 1918)
 - 9) Nepal 18 February (Martyr's Day), 28 December (Nepal a federal republic 2008, earlier the king's birthday)
 - 10) Gambia 18 February (Independence from the United Kingdom in 1965)
 - 11) Guyana 23 February (Republic Day, also known as Mashramani, republic in 1970)
 - 12) Brunei 23 February
 - 13) Dominican Republic 27 February (independence from Haiti in 1844),
 - 14) Estonia 24 February (Declaration of independence from Bolshevik Russia in 1918)
 - 15) Kuwait 25 February (26 February is Liberation Day, from Iraq 1991)
- AS each of the above nations face a special milestone of national import, pray that Jehovah will in this season, visit as many people and reveal Himself to them as the true Creator of their territories. (Act 17:26=27)
 - Pray that He will reveal His divine purpose for allowing their boundaries to lay in particular region. Pray this especially for the Body of Christ in each territory.
 - Pray that the end time revival will not bypass any of these nations, but Jehovah will find people through whom His Holy Spirit will find expression and entry into these territory.
 - Pray for the evangelical and missions movement in all the above nations. Pray for the strengthening of hands and knees and feet to continue standing for Jehovah's purposes.
 - Bless the lovely feet that bring good news in the above nations; the missionaries who are laboring there.
 - Most of these nations are very tough ground for the mission field. Pray that Jehovah will send personal revival to each missionary whether in Bible translation, evangelism and church planting.
 - Pray for those who have lost focus or become discouraged in any way, that Jehovah will renew their strength (Isa 40: 27-31)

National Elections

Election Date	Country	Election Type
February 4	Costa Rica	President (1 st round) and legislative
	Ecuador	Referendum & Popular consultation
February 8	Nepal	National Assembly
February 11	Monaco	Parliament
February 23	Djibouti	Parliament

- Pray that the elections will be free and fair and will also be finished within the designated time
- Pray for the peace of the above nations as they go for their various elections.
- Pray that there shall be a clear winner in every category of governance.
- Pray that Jehovah will indeed raise through the governments that come to power in this season, leaders who will fear Jehovah and heed His word.

PRAYING THRU THE HEAVENS

Jehovah gave created righteous man authority of all that He created including the heavens and the earth. However after the fall this authority was taken away. Men had minimal knowledge of the heavens, except those who dabbled in wickedness and gained some perverted knowledge on how to control the heavens and manipulate the sun, moon and stars to do other than what they were created for. In Psalm 115.16 before Jesus Christ's sacrifice on Calvary, the heavens were the domain of Jehovah's authority. However after His triumphant redemption of all creation, Jesus Christ declared ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH was given to Him. He then commissioned all who will be His disciples to take this authority and use it to disciple all creation back to its original purposes as spelled out in scriptures.

- Praise Jehovah for the wonderful privilege of understanding the heavens, their role and from month to month, redeeming them to do their original bidding especially through this prayer guide.
- The role of the heavens is clearly spelled out in Genesis 1.14-17. They are to mark out the times and seasons and they have done it with precision since creation. Praise Jehovah for their effective role. Dedicate all times and seasons into the hands of Jehovah.
- Command the heavens to declare the glory of Jehovah alone, and obey only His command through Kingdom citizens who are aligned with His purposes. Command them to disregard every other voice print from the kingdom of darkness through the occult and false religions. Psa. 19. 1-6, Psa. 148
- The kingdom of darkness tries to align the heavens to adhere to their evil plans and purposes to strengthen the world system. Pray that every prognostication, every alignment from the kingdom of darkness will be turned into confusion in every part of the earth. The heavens shall be closed unto all diviners and prognosticators, and their words will be unintelligible mutterings which will return to them (Isa 44:24-25)
- **Proclaim Ps 7:10; 59:9&17 and Ps 94:22** for strength and fortification.

Lunar Events

On February 15, 2018 there will be a Partial Solar Eclipse.

A partial solar eclipse occurs when the moon covers only a part of the sun. Sometimes it resembles a bite taken out of a cookie. A partial solar eclipse can only be safely observed with a special solar filter or by looking at the sun's reflection. This partial eclipse will only be visible in parts of Chile, Argentina and Antarctica.

The **full moon** of January 31, 2018 is called the Snow moon. It occurs at 13:27 UTC

- This is the season when the moon is in its full strength. Command the moon to praise Jehovah and dedicate all its strength to heeding only to His command and purpose.
- During the full moon the gravitational pull causes the waters of the earth to ebb and flow causing the ebb and flow of tides. All creatures are also largely water so the waters in the body become imbalanced causing a lot of “lunatic” – mentally distorted actions. Those with mental challenges get more troubled, emotionally creatures are affected and there are heightened crimes of passion. Declare that during this full moon, command over all the waters of the earth and in the body “peace be still”.

The **last Quarter moon** will occur on 7 February 2018 @15:54UTC and the **First Quarter moon** will occur on 23 February 2018 @08:09UTC

- Command the quarter moons to praise Jehovah in their season.
- The occult uses the quarter moons as a spiritual bow for shooting terribly destructive arrows of bitter words at Jehovah's people that will slay some and cause some to stumble in their walk with Jehovah. (Ps 64:3-5)
- Pray that in the incoming New Year, with their swords drawn and their bows bent for destruction of the righteous, Jehovah will cause their swords to enter their own heart, and their bows will be broken. (Ps 37:14-15)

The **new moon** that ushers in the next month will occur on February 15, 2018 @21:05UTC

- As the new moon appears, command it and the crescent to praise Jehovah alone and dedicate the new month to Him.
- During the new moon, prophetically prophesy the things you would like to see occurring into the next month as Jehovah will guide you and as the new moon waxes, declare that the seed of your prophetic word will germinate and grow and come to fullness during the full moon. Declare that the manifestation will occur as the moon wanes into the next month.
- A C shaped moon or its mirror image is a crescent. The occult use the crescent moon as sickles (e.g. Hecate's sickle), for harvesting the gains of the ignorant. Proclaim Isa 44.24-25 over every evil gathering that draws power from the quarter moons.

Solar Events

On February 15, 2018 there will be a partial Solar Eclipse.

From January 19th to February 18th as the sun makes its circuit through the heavens it will pass through a cluster of **108 stars** in the constellation called **AQUARIUS** located in a region of the sky sometimes called the Sea. In sky lore astronomers tend to associate these star patterns with water. It is in Aquarius we find Cetus the Whale, Pisces the Fish, Eridanus the River and Piscis Austrinus the Southern Fish. Named: "Their blessing ensured" or "The living waters of blessing poured forth for the redeemed," Frostbitten of Him coming down; Jehovah's rivers/streams; Pours out Spirit Isa 33, Joel 2.

The constellation is pictured in the heavens by a man (Jesus Christ) pouring forth water from an urn which seems to have an inexhaustible supply and flows forth downward into the mouth of a fish (the redeemed) which receives it and drinks it all up. The word of Jehovah is symbolized by water in its purifying, cleansing, refreshing and reviving effect on the receiver (Eph 5:26)

- Praise Jehovah that in this month He is the original Purifier and not the demon-deity Juno to whom the month was dedicated. Therefore dedicate this month of purification to Jehovah.
- This is a year of the Word of Jehovah. The water of the word purifies. Take time to read larger chunks of the word and as you read out the scriptures, prophetically pray that there will be a cleansing effect in areas of your body soul and spirit where cleansing is required for this season. Whether you need to have cleaner language, cleaner spiritual ears to hear Jehovah more clearly, a cleaner conscience cleansed from feelings of condemnation and guilt, a cleaner blood system, nerve system, mental capacity from various diseases, proclaim those areas that you sense require a cleansing effect in this season.
- As the heavens declare, ask that the Holy Spirit will guide you in these coming days, to be in a posture of repentance, restitution and rededication of your own life to Jehovah. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere. Psalm 51
- Present your family and your community for purging of every defiling activity. Where there are oaths taken, ungodly blood covenants made, heightened ancestral worship activity, ask Jehovah to drain the counterfeit purification activities. Isaiah 47
- In this season a counterfeit from the kingdom of darkness, in the form of water spirit activities like the demonic festivals of February, become manifest as they endeavor to secure the final gates of the sacred year and open up the new season to defilement. Ask Jehovah to pass through every moment of this month, and every activity in your life, in your relationships, in the Body of Jesus Christ and in the territory draining them of every water spirit defilement Ezek 32.1-15
- Pray that the blood of Jesus Christ which washes whiter than snow will cleanse and purify your community of every evil blood-letting that does not purify but defiles the land.
- As the heavens declare, pray for a fresh anointing for the coming season upon the Ecclesia worldwide.

The other smaller group of stars called decans that form part of Aquarius describe the blessings bestowed upon the redeemed by Jesus Christ, the One who blesses.

Piscis Australis (The southern fish) represents the blessings bestowed. Piscis Australis is inseparable from Aquarius and represents the mouth of the fish. Water brings refreshment. Named: mouth of the fish; blessing is bestowed on the redeemed.

- As Jesus Christ pours out the water of His word over you as you read the word out daily over the body of Jesus Christ and territory, ask that His purifying water pass through all the waters of your body, the waters of your family and territory and drain them of every water spirit manifestation in every gate of society
- Ask Jehovah to do a deep and thorough sweeping of the Body of Jesus Christ as you faithfully read out the scriptures daily so that the voice of the Body of Christ will become relevant with regard to governance of the nation as this is a season of divine governance.

“In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus Christ stood and cried, saying, If any man THIRST, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water”. Jesus Christ, by this call was referring to the Holy Spirit which they who believe in Him should receive after He has been glorified. (John 7:37-39)

- Pray that this will become the clarion call of the Body of Jesus Christ to the nations as He wipes away the damaging effects of the unbiblical prosperity gospel at the expense of a righteous, holy and pure life before Jehovah.
- Pray that through your giving and sharing of His word, Jehovah will give you opportunities to become a conduit through whom His living water will flow and touch lives of those who are otherwise dead in various aspects of sin and do not understand that the grace of Jesus Christ has been shed abroad to all who will believe and receive it.

Pegasus (The winged horse) represents the blessings quickly coming. Named; chief horse; speedy bestowment of living waters

- Thank Jehovah that His timing is not similar to our timing. Are there areas in which you feel He has delayed and you have been waiting too long? His blessings are coming quickly. Ask Jehovah to help you walk in His timing with regard to His purposes being fulfilled in your life. Pray this for the Kingdom citizens everywhere. Isaiah 40:29-31.
- Pray that in this season when there is heightening demonic activity in the various pagan festivals, that Jehovah will activate in kingdom citizens the nature of the goodly war-horse. Proclaim Job 39:19-25 over this nature in your life as follows and personalize by filling in the blanks below:
May we take on the nature of the strong war-horse may we be clothed with thunder on our neck.
May we be fearless as He is and may our voice strike terror in the kingdom of darkness

over _____. Everywhere our feet will tread upon in _____ we will rejoice in our strength for the joy of Jehovah is our strength and we will run into the clash of arms. We will mock at fear and we will not turn back from the sword. The weapons of our warfare are mighty through Jehovah to the pulling down of strongholds in _____ and we will have good success. Jehovah strengthen our legs that we will devour the distance with fierceness and holy rage; and we will not stop because the trumpet has sounded. At the blast of the trumpet we will laugh. We will smell battle from afar, the thunder of captains and shouting, and we will go into the battle with the kingdom of darkness knowing that greater is He that is in us than He that is in _____. (Culled from Praying Thru the 10/40 Window @2014 Lily Mudasia GCLA Publication)

Cygnus (The swan) represents the one who blesses surely returning. It has to do with the Great Blessor and His speedy return. The swan is not so much a bird of the air but a bird peculiarly belonging to both the earth and waters. Named: Ethics from afar, fountain of life Psa 36.8-9

The entire star constellation signifies "The living waters of blessing poured forth for the redeemed who drink in the blessing. Bringing speedily the good news of the returning Redeemer.

- This is a season of revival and healing. Thank Jesus Christ He is the Son of Righteousness who will in this season rise with healing in His wings. If there is any area of ailment, command the heavens to release healing to you and your loved ones. Remember that "sozo" has to do with healing too. The heavens shall not smite you, but rather, they will release every healing and succor for your body, soul and spirit. Pray this for the every kingdom citizen. (Psalm 121:6-8, Mal 4:2)
- Thank Jehovah that He has promised to return for His own and the heavens do declare this in this season. Pray that the Ecclesia will go back to the message of the Day of Jehovah and that many kingdom citizens will have the call for the return of Jehovah as we fulfill His purposes. Rev 22:17

From February 18th to March 20, 2018 as the sun makes its circuit through the heavens it will pass through the constellation PISCES symbolized by the fishes. One smaller than the other, joined together by a band around their tails. The smaller fish crosses the constellation Andromeda while the larger fish sits on the back of Pegasus.

The Hebrew word for fish and multitudes are the same word - daga(im). The constellation is named - The fishes of Him that comes; the fishes; multitudes. This indicates the multitudes that should enjoy the blessing of the Redeemer's work.

- Thank the LORD that the heavens declare a great opportunity for the Ecclesia to reach out and make Jesus known throughout the earth. Pray that kingdom citizens including yourself will tap into that opening.
- The LORD has spoken that this is a season of great grace. His unmerited favour is open to all who will believe and receive the finished work of Jesus. Pray that kingdom citizens will be conduits of this grace as we display His favour over our lives and draw others to drink from the well of grace which is available to all. The other smaller group of stars called decans that form part of Pisces describe the detailed teaching of the sign Pisces.

The BAND (the redeemed bound, but binding their enemy) represents Jesus the coming one in relation to the redeemed; Jer 31.11, Hos 11.5

- In this season the heavens declare that there is power to break every bondage, every chain that has hitherto withheld you from accessing all that Jesus redeemed on your behalf on Calvary. Tap into this truth and join the heavens as you wage war against every power that has been a hindrance (refer to the prayers in the beginning of this guide.)

ANDROMEDA - The chained woman stretched out. The star cluster is literally named -The broken down; the weak; struck down; the afflicted; set up as queen, daughter broken the bound and it represents the redeemed in their bondage and affliction. Jer 14.17, Isa 52.2

- Even though many kingdom citizens enjoy eternal redemption, the position as Bride of Jehovah on earth, they are still operating under various levels of bondage and besetting sin (Heb 12.1-2). Proclaim Psa 107, and Isa 45:2-3 over your life and over kingdom citizens you know who are experiencing areas of bondage or oppression. Proclaim Jesus's redeeming power to break every bondage no matter how deep long and strong and His ability to liberate us today because He paid for every redemption 2000 years ago.
- The heavens declare that it is a season for the Queenly bride to come forth. It is also a season of Purim. Revisit the prayers concerning the Purim above, and ask the LORD for a greater revelation of who you are as a kingdom citizen with regard to your royal role and character. Pray this for kingdom citizens.

CEPHEUS The crowned king; the branch; one cometh to rule; I will be GOD to all the families of Israel; It represents the Redeemer coming to rule.

- The heavens declare that Jesus, your King is coming to rule. Is it not time to actively invite Him the Benevolent King to come into the affairs of your territory and inspire a heavenly rule through you His queenly bride? Celebrate the LORD in this season as we prepare to enter the first set of the spring feasts of JEHOVAH, that the heavens do declare His glory and His majesty.
- Pray that as many as are seeking Him in this season wherever they may be, He will reveal Himself as Redeemer and King.
- Proclaim Psa 45, 145, and Rev 19 and seal these in the heavens over your territory.
- Prophecy Psalm 121, and Deut 33.13-17 over your life and family and over the gate of society you are assigned to, and the territory you live in.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM GAPNET PARTNERS

Thank you all for your prayers. We receive prayer requests from our GAPNET Partners every day. We put the general categories from those requests here and ask you to remember to pray for them during the month. Thank you.

- Please pray for good health for the members of the GAPNET family
- Pray for financial provision for our ministry partners. Many of them are missionaries.
- Pray for strong Christian families.
- Pray for those who are struggling with addictions.
- Pray for safety for those who minister in places that are hostile to the gospel.
- Pray for the spouses and children of those who minister.
- Pray that the leaders of the nations have a Damascus experience.
- Pray for the children who have been disappointed and who see the church as hypocritical. Pray that they will have a personal relationship with Jesus.
- Pray for safety as we travel.
- Pray for successful completion of the kingdom projects in the nations

PROPHECIES FOR 2018

The prophecies for 2018 will be released and sent out separately from this guide. Pray through the prophecies as the year progresses and refer to the website for previous prophecies from previous years that continue to be fulfilled through the years.

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