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# AUGUST

## Special Announcements

### CBM Sukkot Registration

Edna, Tx

Texana Campgrounds

October 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>

CBM Members Can Register [HERE](#)

**CBM WILL BE  
HOSTING A  
KABBALAT SHABBAT  
DINNER ON  
AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>!  
SEATING IS LIMITED  
SO GET YOUR  
TICKETS NOW!**

### TISHA B'AV

The 9th day of the month of Av (August 2-3, 2025), is the saddest day on the Jewish calendar, on which we fast, deprive ourselves and pray. It is the culmination of the Three Weeks, a period of time during which we mark the destruction of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem.

Even as we mourn, there is an element of joy and comfort. Indeed, the reading of Eichah concludes with the verse "Restore us to You, O L-rd, that we may be restored! Renew our days as of old."

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### August 5th

Join us for an inspiring time of praise, worship, and testimony from Israel during wartime! Dr. Mindy will lead us in Messianic and nostalgic Israeli dances from the new Beulah Dance Project. [Register Here for more information!](#)

### August 9th

**Save the date and come join the 2B1 Married Ministry at 6pm for Date Night as we enjoy great speakers, food and fellowship!**

[Register HERE](#)



### August 9th



**HEBREW HEROES! PARENTS! IF YOU MISSED LAST MONTHS MEETING, NO WORRIES, WE ARE HAVING ANOTHER ONE ON AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup> AT 1PM IN THE TEL AVIV ROOM, FOR BOTH NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS! CLASSES WILL START AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>! IF YOU HAVE NOT YET SIGNED YOUR CHILD UP, DON'T WORRY. YOU CAN SIGN THEM UP [HERE](#).**

### August 16th & 23rd

**Ready to become a member at Beth Messiah? The New Members Foundation Course is Aug 16<sup>th</sup> & Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1 pm to 4 pm after service in the Oneg Room.**

[Sign up HERE for more details!](#)



### August 24th



**Messianic Mommies Game Day! ✨**

**Get ready for laughs, fellowship, and a little friendly competition at our Messianic Mommies Summer Game Day!**

[Register Here for more details!](#)

### August 24th

**Interested in learning Hebrew? No previous experience required. Cost is \$10 per session for this 16 week course.**

[Register HERE](#)



### August 22nd-24th



**Men of Valor!**

**Please join us for a transformational time for men. This will help each man to increase from one level to the next. This is one event you don't want to miss! [Register Here for more details!](#)**

Event Sign Ups



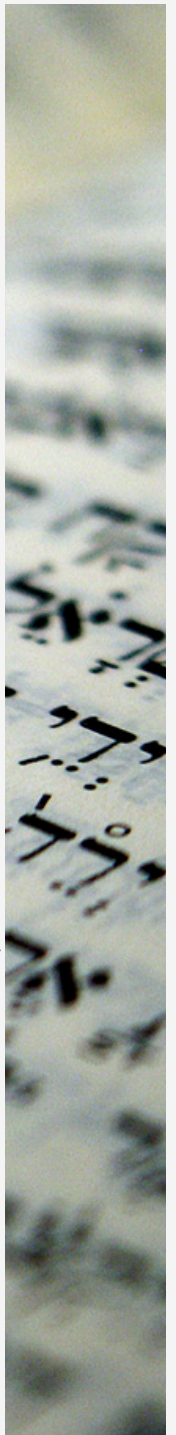
# BOLDLY

Drash by Bar Mitzvah Abraham Fernandez

Parasha Pinchas is found in Numbers 25:10 - 30. Verse 1 talks about how bold Pinchas and others were in their faith. Before the portion begins, there was already an issue with some of the Israelite men worshiping the false idols of the women they were bringing from Moab and Midian into their homes. This sinful act angered ADONAI and He instructed Moses and the leaders to expose and kill these men. Then right at that moment, "An Israelite man brought into the camp a Midianite woman right before the eyes of Moses and the whole assembly of Israel while they were weeping at the entrance to the tent of meeting." (Numbers 25:6). Zimri brought Cozbi into his tent and began a love affair right then! Pinchas witnessed this disgraceful act, and without hesitation, he grabbed a spear and impaled them both, ending their lives. When ADONAI saw how bold and zealous Pinchas was in his faith, ADONAI stopped the plague that was killing all the Israelites. Pinchas had saved Israel. In Numbers 25:11-13, ADONAI says, "Because Pinchas was very zealous for Me among them...I am making with him a covenant of shalom! It will be for him and his descendants after him a covenant of an everlasting priesthood - because he was zealous for his God and atoned for Bnei-Yisrael."

There is another story of boldness found in this parasha. In Numbers 27:1-11, when Zelophehad passed away, his inheritance had to be given to the next generation. The custom at the time was to give the inheritance to the first-born male of the family. The problem was that Zelophehad didn't have any sons, only daughters, and they didn't want their father's heritage and possessions to be forgotten because he had no sons. Boldly, the daughters of Zelophehad stood before Moses, the High Priest, and the leaders of the entire assembly, and said, "Why should our father's name diminish from his family just because he had no son? Give to us property among our father's brothers" (Numbers 27:4). Now, I was born in a household of mostly women, so I know how scary they can be when they're demanding something. But seriously, we should consider that there could've been people who opposed the daughters' petition because it wasn't a custom at the time. They may have felt afraid or unworthy to ask. It didn't take long for ADONAI to agree with the daughters. Not only that, He also established a new inheritance rule. ADONAI says in Numbers 27:7-8, "The daughters of Zelophehad are right...You are to turn over the inheritance of their father to them. Furthermore...If a man dies without a son, you are to transfer his inheritance to his daughter."

After hearing these stories, it brings up the question of how did Pinchas and the daughters of Zelophehad get so bold, or more importantly, where did this boldness come from? 2 Timothy 1:7-8 says, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear but one of power and love and self-discipline. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord." This passage shows us that it is God Who gives us His courageous Ruach HaKodesh, His Holy Spirit, not a timid spirit. That's why Pinchas was bold, that's why the daughters were bold, and that's why we can be bold too.



But now, there's the other question. If boldness comes from ADONAI, how do we get His Spirit into our lives? Elijah the prophet struggled to find that boldness in himself, even after he had seen the power of ADONAI against the false prophets in 1 Kings 18. After that victory, Elijah became terrified because Queen Jezebel threatened him, and he ran for his life for 40 days and 40 nights until he found a cave. In the cave, ADONAI came to him and asked him, "Why are you here?" In other words, "Why are you running? What are you scared of?" Elijah came to realize that he had seen the works of ADONAI everywhere in his life. ADONAI was there the whole time with him, speaking with him, caring for him. So, having a relationship with ADONAI is the first step. Similarly, in Acts 4: 13 we see that the people realized where Peter and John's boldness came from. "Now when the people saw the boldness of Peter and John and perceived they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished! And they recognized that they had been with Yeshua." Their boldness came from their relationship with Him.

In short, Ephesians 2 helps us to understand this, It reminds us that we were destined to wrath because of our sinful acts, that we were just as sinful as Zimri and Cozbi, and Queen Jezebel and her prophets. However, because of the sacrifice of Yeshua for our sins, we were saved, and we were then given the Ruach HaKodesh, His Spirit of courage and boldness. Hebrews 4:14-16 states, "Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Yeshua, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." We get this boldness from a relationship with Him by holding fast to our confession that Yeshua is our Messiah and that His sacrifice has atoned for our sins - the same boldness that Pinchas used to end the plague, the same boldness the daughters used to rightfully demand their heritage, the same boldness Elijah used to challenge the false prophets, and the same boldness that Peter and John displayed when they proclaimed the Good News!



Even knowing all this, it's not easy to be bold, that's for sure. Not everyone can go out of their way and do something out of the ordinary without thinking of what the world might think or do, and that includes me. I remember I had a good friend in high school. One day, we were sitting at lunch and I noticed he looked sad. I asked him what was wrong and he told me he was dealing with a lot of stuff back home. Normally, I would've simply smiled and said that everything's going to be alright. Not this time though! A voice in my head (aka the Holy Spirit) kept pushing me to pray, reminding me that it was going to be good, not only for him, but for me too. I got myself ready and I began praying for him, loud enough so he could hear me, which felt awkward at first, but when I was done praying for him, I felt relieved, like a great weight had been taken off my back. As for my friend, he simply thanked me and we went on with our day. I know that this might not be the boldest thing I've done - taking into account that I have done many crazy things since I got lost in the mall at 3 years old! - but it was one of the first things that I have done that took a lot of spiritual boldness to do. There is no need for us to feel useless or not worthy when we want to ask ADONAI for something, because, well, He's already there with us. However, it's important to understand that He doesn't fulfill our requests just because we are bold, but because He loves us. And when we show that we need Him, through being bold, He is faithful to answer with "mercy, grace, and help in our time of need."



1. Pray for Makor HaEmet, CBM's early education program to grow into a full Messianic Jewish school.

2. That Adonai fill all the CBM children with a supernatural spirit of learning, excellence, and righteousness.

## Pray with me!

3. Divine protection of our children's bodies, minds, and spirit while away from their parents.

4. G-d to fill all CBM teachers with G-dly wisdom, patience, and to be role models.

5. For protection of teachers and students against any demonic attacks.



The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher  
Luke 6:40



Prayer Ministry leader  
*Rita Gallegos*

# BAR MITZVAH

Liam Kruep  
August 2, 2025  
10:00 am  
CBM







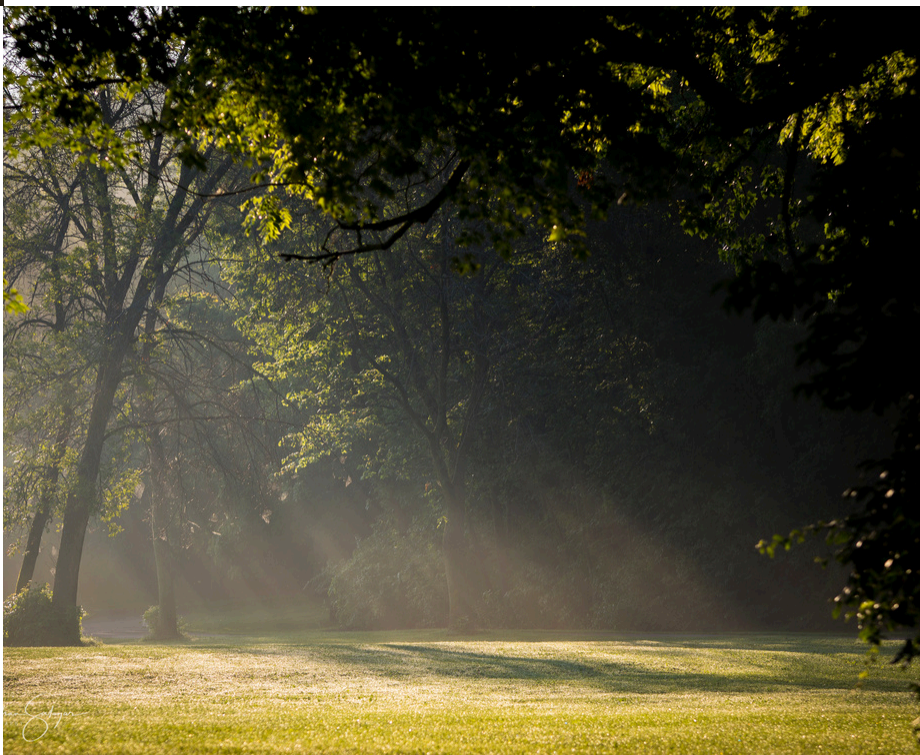
# Ayekah

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“Ayekah” is the first word the L-rd spoke to Adam and Eve after they ate the forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden. “Where are you?” G-d wanted to know where they were in their hearts, where they were spiritually and emotionally, after such a devastating event. Adam and Eve hid from G-d because they knew they had sinned and broken their covenant with Him. They knew they were changed forever. Can you imagine their despair, sadness, and loneliness, hiding in the bushes, afraid to commune with Him as they had done in the past? As the L-rd’s holiness entered the Garden, it overwhelmed them, and they were distraught and ashamed.

## “Where are you?”

But we serve a compassionate, loving, and gentle G-d, full of comfort and restoration. He reached out to Adam and Eve and tenderly said Ayekah, “Where are you,” meaning I know what happened and that you are in pain. I understand that you are troubled and distraught. Tell Me why you turned away from Me and open your heart and confess it to Me. Repent and turn back to Me. I am here for you no matter what you did. I will comfort you. I will restore you.



Ask yourself today, Ayekah, where are you? Where is your heart? Is there anything you need to make right with the L-rd today? If there is, go to G-d in the name of Yeshua and talk to Him. Search your heart and lay it all out - confess, repent, and return to Him. He sees you and will take you back with arms wide open. He will rejoice over your return to Him.



By Leigh and Kim Meyers



*looking forward to the*

*High Holy*  
**2025**  
*Days*



ROSH HASHANAH: EVENING OF  
SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> THROUGH THE 24<sup>TH</sup>

YOM KIPPUR: EVENING OF  
OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> THROUGH THE 2<sup>ND</sup>

SUKKOT: EVENING OF OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup>  
THROUGH THE 13<sup>TH</sup>

SHEMINI ATZERET: EVENING OF OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>  
THROUGH THE 14<sup>TH</sup>

SIMCHAT TORAH: EVENING OF OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup>  
THROUGH THE 15<sup>TH</sup>

The background of the poster features a stylized ocean scene. In the top left, there are wavy lines in shades of blue and orange. A school of blue fish of various sizes swims across the upper half of the page. On the right side, a white lighthouse with a red lantern room stands on a small island. The bottom half of the poster is filled with stylized blue waves. Three yellow, shell-like shapes are placed within the waves, each containing text.

# Shabbat School

Nursery is available to all parents with children ages 0-4. We have an amazing staff. We use a curriculum that was made specifically for this young age, with Bible stories and fun crafts for the High Holidays.

No Shabbat School on August 2<sup>nd</sup> in Celebration of Liam Krueps Bar Mitzvah!

Shabbat School  
Shabbat mornings for ages 5-10  
During Shabbat School we are using Adventures in the Torah for our curriculum this year. The kids are really enjoying learning new Hebrew words and working through the Torah!



# B'NEI MITZVAH

## Holocaust Museum Field Trip



This is a picture of our Bnei Mitzvah students from the day we visited the Holocaust Museum Houston. We got to meet a Holocaust survivor, Josette, and hear her amazing testimony of survival. And after a great tour by our Israeli docent, Iyl, the students were asked, "What are the dangers and consequences of dehumanizing individuals, that is, when we say one group is better than another, or we rank groups in order of importance in such a way that the bottom group is seen as less than human?" Here are some of the students' profound responses:

BY REBBETZIN SUSAN WHITE

"Dehumanizing leads to groups that try to get rid of them."

"Dehumanizing others can have many consequences and result in pain, death, and humiliation."

"The people they are dehumanizing could turn on them later."

"It's dangerous because you are calling someone that is human not human and doing whatever you want. You could eliminate the human race."

"A consequence or danger is people dying, causing a loss of population."

"Some of the dangers are humiliation and lack of empathy."

"If there is a possibility that you view someone lesser than you, then someone will do the same to you."

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# YOUTH NEWS

## YOUTH HIGHLIGHTS



CBM Youth Ministry  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Liam Kruep BAR MITZVAH

August 2

10 am @ CBM

Join the  
CELEBRATION!



## HIGHWAY & MORE

### Youth Highway

August 16  
1 - 3PM

Join us!! Starts with  
a fun interactive  
activity followed by  
the teaching of the  
Word, Worship, Food,  
& Fellowship!!



Food



September 6, 2024

Highway  
Welcoming New  
Youth joining the  
Youth Group ,  
\*\*those turning 11  
yrs by September 1..



Youth Worship is lead  
by our own Youth  
during Highway!!



## REMINDERS

Back to School Bash  
September 7, 2025  
3-7pm



Fun, Games, Sports, & Food..  
Lots of Fun & Fellowship



## VERSE OF THE WEEK

"A highway will be there—a  
roadway.  
It will be called the Way of  
Holiness"

Isaiah 35:8





Halleluyah! Praise God in His Sanctuary!...  
Psalm 150:1

# Ministry Highlight

## Youth Band



The Youth Band is led by Michele Vecseri. Her vision for CBM youth band is to raise up and train young people who have musical talent and a heart to worship G-d. "I train them how to lead worship with their instruments and voices by giving them opportunities to learn how to play with the band, listening to each other and working together as they help lead worship in youth "Highway" services." "After having much experience there and when they have excelled in this area they may be invited to help lead in the main service as well", states Michele.

Currently there is 15 youth band members. Six of these members are training in youth services and the other 9 participate both in youth services and main service. Once they have been trained and worked on their talents, the experienced members are now in charge of the youth service and still overseen and helped by Michele.

Anyone who can play an instrument and/ or sing well or both and who has a heart to worship G-d with their talent can come, and reach out to Michele Vecseri if they are interested in joining the band. Her contact information is 713-408-1311 and email [vecseri9@gmail.com](mailto:vecseri9@gmail.com). Rabbi Agustin and Michele will set up a time to meet with them and evaluate their gifts and commitment to the Lord and this ministry. Michele states, "I am always looking for young people interested and love to help them learn and excel in what God has called them to do."

"My heart is to pass on the joy of worshipping the Lord to the next generation and to help them grow in their walk with the Lord. Dor l'dor!"



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## CBM Bible Readings

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Date	Day	Readings
8/1	Fri	Deuteronomy 2:31-3:14 Ezekiel 1:1-3:9 Philippians 2:1-30 Psalm 109:1-20
8/2	Sat	Deuteronomy 3:15-22 Isaiah 1:1-27 Philippians 3:1-21 Psalm 109:21-31
8/3	Sun	Deuteronomy 3:23-4:4 Lamentations 1:1-5:22 Philippians 4:1-23 Psalm 110:1-7
8/4	Mon	Deuteronomy 4:5-40 Ezekiel 3:10-5:17 Colossians 1:1-29 Psalm 111:1-10
8/5	Tue	Deuteronomy 4:41-49 Ezekiel 6:1-7:27 Colossians 2:1-23 Psalm 112:1-10
8/6	Wed	Deuteronomy 5:1-21 Ezekiel 8:1-10:22 Colossians 3:1-25 Psalm 113:1-9
8/7	Thu	Deuteronomy 5:22-6:3 Ezekiel 11:1-12:28 Colossians 4:1-18 Psalm 114:1-8
8/8	Fri	Deuteronomy 5:22-6:3 Ezekiel 11:1-12:28 Colossians 4:1-18 Psalm 114:1-8
8/9	Sat	Deuteronomy 7:1-11 Isaiah 40:1-26 1 Thess 2:17-4:8 Psalm 115:12-18
8/10	Sun	Deuteronomy 7:1-11 Isaiah 40:1-26 1 Thess 2:17-4:8 Psalm 115:12-18
8/11	Mon	Deuteronomy 8:11-9:3 Ezekiel 16:44-17:24 1 Thess 5:12-28 Psalm 116:10-19
8/12	Tue	Deuteronomy 9:4-29 Ezekiel 18:1-19:14 2 Thess 1:1-2:12 Psalm 117:1-2
8/13	Wed	Deuteronomy 10:1-11 Ezekiel 20:1-49 2 Thess 2:13-3:18 Psalm 118:1-13
8/14	Thu	Deuteronomy 10:12-11:9 Ezekiel 21:1-22:22 1 Timothy 1:1-20 Psalm 118:14-29
8/15	Fri	Deuteronomy 11:10-21 Ezekiel 22:23-23:49 1 Timothy 2:1-3:7 Psalm 119:1-8
8/16	Sat	Deuteronomy 11:22-25 Isaiah 49:14-51:3 1 Timothy 3:8-4:16 Psalm 119:9-16



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8/18	Mon	Deuteronomy 12:11-28 Ezekiel 26:1-27:36 1 Timothy 6:1-21 Psalm 119:25-32
8/19	Tue	Deuteronomy 12:29-13:18 Ezekiel 28:1-29:21 2 Timothy 1:1-18 Psalm 119:33-40
8/20	Wed	Deuteronomy 14:1-21 Ezekiel 30:1-31:18 2 Timothy 2:1-26 Psalm 119:41-48
8/21	Thu	Deuteronomy 14:22-29 Ezekiel 32:1-33:20 2 Timothy 3:1-17 Psalm 119:49-56
8/22	Fri	Deuteronomy 15:1-18 Ezekiel 33:21-34:31 2 Timothy 4:1-22 Psalm 119:57-64
8/23	Sat	Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17 Isaiah 54:11-55:5 Titus 1:1-2:8 Psalm 119:65-72
8/24	Sun	Deuteronomy 16:18-17:13 Ezekiel 35:1-36:38 Titus 2:9-3:15 Psalm 119:73-80
8/25	Mon	Deuteronomy 17:14-20 Ezekiel 37:1-38:23 Philemon 1:1-25 Psalm 119:81-88
8/26	Tue	Deuteronomy 18:1-5 Ezekiel 39:1-40:23 Hebrews 1:1-2:4 Psalm 119:89-96
8/27	Wed	Deuteronomy 18:6-13 Ezekiel 40:24-41:26 Hebrews 2:5-3:6 Psalm 119:97-104
8/28	Thu	Deuteronomy 18:14-19:13 Ezekiel 42:1-43:27 Hebrews 3:7-4:13 Psalm 119:105-112
8/29	Fri	Deuteronomy 19:14-20:9 Ezekiel 44:1-45:17 Hebrews 4:14-6:3 Psalm 119:113-120
8/30	Sat	Deuteronomy 20:10-21:9 Isaiah 51:12-53:12 Hebrews 6:4-7:3 Psalm 119:121-128
8/31	Sun	Deuteronomy 21:10-21 Ezekiel 45:18-47:12 Hebrews 7:4-28 Psalm 119:129-136