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# JANUARY

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# 2026 January

## Sign-Ups

10TH  
&  
11TH

### Yeshiva Class

Eschatology - A Study of the End Times

Don't miss out on this once in a lifetime Yeshiva with Joel Richardson!

**Register  
Here**

11TH

### Messianic Mommies

Come spend a cozy morning with us reflecting on all that Adonai has done in 2025 and dreaming about what's ahead in 2026. We'll create vision boards together, share encouragement, and ground our plans in Yeshua's promises. And of course, there will be coffee and breakfast snacks.

**Register  
Here**

11TH

### Beginner Conversation Conversational Hebrew 1B (Second Level) Ulpan!

Prerequisite: Conversational Hebrew 1A or the equivalent. This means that you should already know the Hebrew alphabet (Alef-Bet) in both Block letters and Script, and have a starting level knowledge of nouns and verb conjugations. Sign up here for more details!

**Register  
Here**

18TH

### Anshei Chayil

Men of Valor, mark your calendar and sign up to join us on Sunday, January 18th in Haifa Hall at 9am for some great food and fellowship as we kick off the new year!

**Register  
Here**

21ST  
&  
28TH

### Wednesday Night Recharge

Food and Fellowship begins at 6pm. The menu will change weekly so check out the WNR sign up each week and if you want a plate make sure to sign up!

**Register  
Here**

31ST

### 2B1 Marrieds

Ready to become a member at Beth Messiah? The New Members Foundation Course is December 6th and December 13th from 1 pm to 5 pm after service in Haifa Hall and lasts for 2 weeks. This course is required for those seeking membership at CBM, but it is open to anyone who would like to attend.

**Register  
Here**





JOIN US FOR

# Zelma & Elishama Shahbaz's Bar Mitzvah

January 17th  
Congregation Beth Messiah  
Houston, Texas  
10AM



## Pray With Me-

For the protection & rescue of all Jewish people from evil.

For G-d's will to be done on earth as it is in heaven.

A spiritual awakening for Israel and USA

Pray and bless those who curse us

A blessing of prosperity and success for CBM and its congregants for 2026

PRAYER

*You crown the year with Your goodness, and Your  
paths drip with abundance - Psalm 65:11*





**Flights & Land: \$4,800**

Land Only: \$3,500

[prices per person in double occupancy room]

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Flights round trip from Newark on El Al Airlines
- Hotels with breakfast & dinner daily
- Meeting, assistance & transfer from the airport upon arrival (for group flights only)
- English-speaking guide
- Baggage handling, hotel taxes, service charges
- Tips to driver, guide, hotels

## NOT INCLUDED

- Lunches
- Luggage fees at airport if applicable
- Travel Insurance: available at [Travel Guard/AIG](#)
- Single occupancy
- Gifts/personal expenses
- Land Only passengers are not guaranteed airport assistance.

## REGISTRATION

Register:

<https://yoshertours.com/tours/116-israel-benevolence-fund-october-2026>

Email: [info@yoshertours.com](mailto:info@yoshertours.com)

Phone: (804)-264-0694

*Itinerary subject to change*

# ISRAEL BENEVOLENCE FUND ISRAEL TOUR

**OCTOBER 13–22, 2026, LED BY RON AARONSON**

## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Tuesday, October 13

Flight to Israel

### Day 2: Wednesday, October 14

Arrival at Ben Gurion Airport (TLV). Meet your guide and driver and transfer to hotel in Netanya for dinner and overnight.

### Day 3: Thursday, October 15

**Caesarea**, an ancient city built by King Herod in honor of Caesar Augustus. The next site will be **Mt. Carmel**, where Elijah slew the prophets of Baal. From there you will visit the archaeological site **Megiddo**, the strategic place of the future battle of Armageddon. Dinner and overnight at hotel in the Galilee.

### Day 4: Friday, October 16

**Magdala, Capernaum**, where Jesus performed many miracles and the **Mt. Beatitudes**, where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount, fish lunch. **Boat Ride on the Sea of Galilee and boat museum (Jesus boat)**. Dinner and overnight in Galilee.

### Day 5: Saturday, October 17

After checking out of your hotel, you will head to **Qaser El Yahud**, a possible site for the baptism of Jesus. You will take a cable car to the top of **Masada**, where Jewish refugees courageously held off the Roman army after the destruction of the Temple of God. **Dead Sea swim at your hotel. Bring water shoes or old sneakers.** Dinner and overnight at the Dead Sea.

### Day 6: Sunday, October 18

Visit Ein **Gedi**, where David wrote many psalms. Visit **Qumran**. Visit **Jericho**, visit ruins. Genesis Land with lunch, possible visit to Lazarus tomb, if permitted. Ascend to Jerusalem and see the spectacular view from the **Mount of Olives**. Dinner and overnight at hotel in Jerusalem.

### Day 7: Monday, October 19

Start your day with a tour of the **Israel Museum**. Then you will tour **Yad Vashem**, the Israeli memorial of the Holocaust. You will enter the **Old City**. Visit the Cardo and shop in the Jewish Market. Dinner and overnight at hotel in Jerusalem.

### Day 8: Tuesday, October 20

Visit the **Temple Mount** and then followed by a visit to **St. Anne's Church**, near the **Bethesda Pool**, known for its excellent acoustics, **Western Wall Tunnels**, visit to pray at the **Western Wall**. Visit the **Garden Tomb** and share communion together. Dinner and overnight at hotel in Jerusalem.

### Day 9: Wednesday, October 21

**Shiloh**. Your tour will end with a farewell dinner in a private area and a flight back home or overnight in Jerusalem depending on flights.

### Day 10: Thursday, October 22

Arrive home.



"The religious observance that the FATHER considers pure is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being contaminated by the world" (James 1:27)





# A Prayer to the God of My Life

Written by Leigh Meyers

Psalm 42:9

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*“From the overflow of the heart his mouth speaks.”*

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Hashem, Elohim, El Shaddai – some of us come to You today with a massive weight, the kind of sorrowful weight that is internal and yet the laws of physics do not apply because there is nothing visual that applies to this weight.

This emotional dynamic is heavier than anything we have ever had to physically carry. This weight never leaves us. It is with us when You, Abba Father, wake us up, and we are reminded of this loss throughout the day, and then once again, when we lay down to sleep. Outwardly the people we interact with cannot see this weight upon us except perhaps by the outward expression on our face. They see a sadness that doesn't begin to tell the story. For some of us, this is a new weight, for some it has been with us for just a little while, and for others it has been decades of weight.

In some cases, we are physically living but emotionally lifeless.

Father, if we have put our time of mourning in “Shiva” and we are to move forward and breathe in life with every new breath You gift us with, then WHY do we continue to go through our days with this inconceivable sorrow? Is this a burden for us to bear alone? Is this our destiny, a self-appointed life sentence of inconsolable sorrow? No!!!!!!

For those who have yet to find the true meaning of life, for those who believe that the one we lost is the definition of who THEY are, I say to you, you are carrying the burden of life and existence that you were never designed to carry!

Nothing will ever truly make sense or provide the “Peace that surpasses human understanding” until you awaken to the indisputable fact that our Jewish Messiah, our King of Kings, our Lord of Lords, “YESHUA” is the One designed to carry this sorrow, this internal pain, this loss.

You were not brought into this earth with the purpose of living a life of perpetual mourning. You were brought into this world because the God of all creation has a meaningful purpose for your life.

It says in Luke 6:45 “from the overflow of the heart his mouth speaks.”

It also says in Proverbs 18:21 “Death and life are in the power of the tongue.”

Jeremiah 33:3 “Call to Me, and I will answer you – I will tell you great and hidden things, which you do not know.”

Do you get what Adonai is telling us? He is calling an audible for us!

Speak life, speak hope, speak joy, and for goodness sake, speak in prayer to the “Son of God” our Messiah, King Yeshua. He is waiting to take this sorrow and turn it into indescribable joy! The solution comes only from our Messiah.

Again, begin with calling out to the “God of all creation.”

By accepting Yeshua as your Messiah, He takes your sorrow and He gives you eternal salvation! Submit to Him in prayer, He is waiting to hear from you.

In Master Yeshua's Mighty name! Amen!

# JANUARY CHILDRENS MINISTRY

## NURSERY

Available for ages 0-4 years old

- Every Saturday from 8:30 am-12:15 pm
- WNR from 6:30-8:30

## SHABBAT SCHOOL

For kids ages 5-10 years old

- When: Children will be dismissed from the Sanctuary at approximately 11:05 and pick up is directly after end of service.
- What to Expect: Teaching the kids the foundation of our faith through the biblical narrative.

## B'NEI MITZVAH

A class, for our 11 and 12 years olds, the students will complete 2 years of studies of the Bible, Jewish history, and Jewish traditions, customs, and holidays, including how those relate to the New Covenant scriptures.

- When: Saturdays from 11am to 12:15
- Meet in the youth building

## RAINFOREST FALLS VBS

Save the date for Rainforest Falls as we Explore the Nature of God during our summer Jewish Journey! Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. They'll explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, their creator, a safe place in life's storms.

- Dates: June 1st-5th
- Time: 10am to 1:30pm
- Ages: 5 to 12 -4 and under with a parent

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us on January 17th in celebration of Zelma and Elishama Shahbaz B'not Mitzvah! There will be No Shabbat School on this day.



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# CBM YOUTH

## January 2026

### Youth Highways

**January 3, 1-3PM**

Youth and their families are invited to Worship Adonai and engage in His Word. Stay for fellowship, food and interactive activities

**January 17, 2026**

**\*No Highway**  
(Shahbaz B'not Mitzvah)

COMING

SOON

### Gala Fundraiser!!

Raising funds for YMJA

- Silent Auction (need donations of Art pieces, Services, Gift baskets, etc..)
- In need of Youth to help Serve with Food and entertainment (Showing their outstanding Talents)

### WNR

(Wednesday Night Recharge)

- January 21
  - January 28
- \*Bible Studies with learning activities (Bible drills, Bible Pictionary)

### Upcoming Events

- Zelma & Elishama B'not Mitzvah
- Fundraiser Gala: February 22
- Youth Building Renovation - January (potential dates coming soon)

### Contact Info

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## December 2025 Highlights!





**Makor  
HaEmet**

# Looking Back & Looking Forward

## MAKOR HAEMET MESSIANIC JEWISH SCHOOL

As we begin 2026, we're pausing to give thanks for all the ways our school community has grown. This past fall, our students celebrated the mo'edim together with hands-on learning, prayer, and joy. They baked round challah for Rosh Hashanah, made tzedakah boxes for Yom Kippur, decorated the sukkah for Sukkot, and danced with the Torah for Simchat Torah. Each week was grounded in early academics and a rhythm of life centered on Yeshua. Our Cookies & Culture series took us to Australia and Russia. In January, we're excited to explore Hungary.



### 2026-2027



If you'd like your toddler to join us for the spring early learning semester, reach out as soon as possible. Space is limited.



We're now welcoming students for the Fall 2026-2027 school year. On-campus classes will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 AM to 3 PM for Pre-K through 2nd Grade.



Students up to 6th grade are invited to join our afternoon enrichment course in Hebrew, worship, and the flow of the biblical calendar. This class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 3 PM.





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## CBM Bible Readings

These readings are from the MJAA reading plan for 5786-5787 (2025-2026). They are available on our Beth Messiah app, on Apple and Google devices as well as on our website at <https://www.cbmhouston.org/daily-bible-readings/>

1<sup>ST</sup>

**II Kings 16–17**  
**Luke 16**

2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup>

**Torah Portion:**  
**Genesis 47:28–50:26**  
**Haftarah: I Kings 2:1-12**

4<sup>TH</sup>

**II Kings 18–19**  
**Luke 17**

5<sup>TH</sup>

**II Kings 20–22**  
**Luke 18**

6<sup>TH</sup>

**II Kings 23–24**  
**Luke 19**

7<sup>TH</sup>

**II Kings 25**  
**Luke 20**

8<sup>TH</sup>

**Isaiah 1–3**  
**Luke 21**

9<sup>TH</sup> & 10<sup>TH</sup>

**Torah Portion: Exodus 1:1–6:1**  
**Haftarah:**  
**Isaiah 27:6–28:13; 29:22-23**

11<sup>TH</sup>

**Isaiah 4–6**  
**Luke 22**

12<sup>TH</sup>

**Isaiah 7–9**  
**Luke 23**

13<sup>TH</sup>

**Isaiah 10–12**  
**Luke 24**

14<sup>TH</sup>

**Isaiah 13–15**  
**John 1**

15<sup>TH</sup>

**Isaiah 16–19**  
**John 2**

16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup>

**Torah Portion:**  
**Exodus 6:2–9:35**  
**Haftarah: Ezekiel 28:25–29:21**

18<sup>TH</sup>

**Isaiah 20–23**  
**John 3**



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**19<sup>TH</sup>**

**Isaiah 24–27  
John 4**

**20<sup>TH</sup>**

**Isaiah 28–29  
John 5**

**21<sup>ST</sup>**

**Isaiah 30–32  
John 6**

**22<sup>ND</sup>**

**Isaiah 33–36  
John 7**

**23<sup>RD</sup> & 24<sup>TH</sup>**

**Torah Portion:  
Exodus 10:1–13:16  
Haftarah: Jeremiah 46:13–28**

**25<sup>TH</sup>**

**Isaiah 37–38  
John 8**

**26<sup>TH</sup>**

**Isaiah 39–41  
John 9**

**27<sup>TH</sup>**

**Isaiah 42–43  
John 10**

**28<sup>TH</sup>**

**Isaiah 44–45  
John 11**

**29<sup>TH</sup>**

**Isaiah 46–48  
John 12**

**30<sup>TH</sup> & 31<sup>ST</sup>**

**Torah Portion:  
Exodus 13:17–17:16  
Haftarah: Judges 4:4–5:31**

*Shalom*





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LE-HAVIT B'QEDEM  
Looking Behind

2025

NA KADIMA  
Moving Forward  
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