

8th New Moon 2017



Please note ... this Rosh Chodesh marks the beginning of the **SIXTH** month, according to the Biblical Hebrew calendar.

Dates to diarise¹:

DATES	EVENT	TIME	UTC (www.seasky.org)
21 August	New Moon	20:30	18:30
29 August	First Quarter Moon	10:13	
6 September	Full Moon	09:03	07:03
13 September	Last Quarter Moon	08:25	
20 September	9 th New Moon	07:30	05:30

¹ Information obtained from <http://www.planetarium.co.za/skystuff/moonphases2017.pdf>

New Moon prayers ...

Remember, the monthly New Moon prayers are **not to** be confused with astrology. The Scriptures clearly warn against any/all forms of astrology:

Deuteronomy 4:19 *“And when you look up to the sky and see the sun, the moon and the stars—all the heavenly array—do not be enticed into bowing down to them and worshiping things the LORD your GOD has apportioned to all the nations under heaven”.*

Deuteronomy 17:3 *“... and contrary to MY command has worshipped other gods, bowing down to them or to the sun or the moon or the stars of the sky.”*

Isaiah 47:13-15 *“All the counsel you have received has only worn you out! Let your astrologers come forward, those stargazers who make predictions month by month, let them save you from what is coming upon you. Surely they are like stubble; the fire will burn them up. They cannot even save themselves from the power of the flame. Here are no coals to warm anyone; here is no fire to sit by. That is all they can do for you—these you have labored with and trafficked with since childhood. Each of them goes on in his error; there is not one that can save you.”*

Jeremiah 10:1-2 *“Hear what the LORD says to you, O house of Israel. This is what the LORD says: “Do not learn the ways of the nations or be terrified by signs in the sky, though the nations are terrified by them”.*

Daniel 1:20 *“In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom.”*

The New Moon prayers are to be used for PRAYER and warfare, as a guideline for prayer and intercession for the coming month, **as the Holy Spirit leads**. If you'd like more information on why we pray for the New Moon, we encourage you to read **“The Believer's Warfare In The Heavens”**, available for order from the office or for download from the website.

In the New Moon prayers, we will often refer to **“possessing the GATES”**. For more information on this, please see the following link:

<http://www.kanaanministries.org/downloads/?did=299>

This New Moon

The 9th lunar season (Gregorian calendar) and the **sixth new moon** (Elul in the Hebrew calendar counting from the month of Nissan) occurs on **August 21 @ 18:30 UT**. At the time of the new moon, a **solar eclipse** will occur and will be visible in Africa, Europe and Asia.

Blow the trumpet to the Lord in this new moon season and ask the Lord to remember us against our enemies in spiritual or physical warfare (**Numbers 10:9-10, Psalm 81:3**).

Apply the Blood of Y'shua on the moon. Command the heavens to declare the glory of our Almighty God (**Psalm 19:1-6**).

Month six is the month in which the LORD gave Nehemiah victory over Sanballat and Tobiah (**Nehemiah 6**). The critical, sinister and mocking spirit of Sanballat and Tobiah seeks to stop the work of Yeshua Hammashiah / Jesus Christ, in the Church and the earth today. It especially targets the builders (apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers) and the repairers (intercessors).

Because of the on-going shakings in the nations and much inner shakings due to personal challenges, many are discouraged, confused, overwhelmed and afraid. Many hands and knees have become weak in the place of prayer and ministry.

Like Nehemiah, we ought to pray:

Nehemiah 6:9 *“For they all made us afraid saying ‘their hands shall be weakened from the work that it not be done.’* **NOW, THEREFORE, O GOD, STRENGTHEN MY HANDS”**

A little on, we see the victory:

Nehemiah 6:15-16 *“So the wall was completed on the twenty fifth day of Elul in fifty two days. When all our enemies heard about it, all the surrounding nations were afraid and lost their confidence because they realized that this work had been done by the help of our GOD.”*

²It's another new moon / month! We bring you greetings in the Name of our Risen King, Yeshua Messiah, who died that we may live abundantly.

The season ahead is an active one.

We start with a **new moon a total solar eclipse (August 21)**, then, two major planets - **Saturn and Mercury**—which are currently moving backward in the heavens will begin to move forward (**August 25 and September 4**).

We therefore urge you to please take time to go through our full complement of information in this newsletter so as to be able to pray with knowledge and revelation.

Sixth Hebrew Month – month of GAD

1. First of all, this new moon brings us to the sixth Hebrew month in the Hebrew calendar, which is the month of Gad.

When Gad was born in **Genesis 30:11**, Leah proclaimed:

Genesis 30:11 *“A troop cometh: and she called his name Gad.”*

Gad means soldier; thus, when his father Jacob blessed him in **Genesis 49:19**, he prophesied over him as follows:

Genesis 49:19 *“Gad will be attacked by a band of raiders, but he will attack them at their heels”*

In **I Chronicles 5:18**, we see that the men of Gad were brave and swift in battle. They were no-nonsense men who fought back skillfully whenever the enemy came against them:

I Chronicles 5:18 *“The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, of valiant men, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skillful in war...”*

This month of Gad, pray **Psalms 18**, especially **vs. 29, 32-34** - receive the strength of the Almighty God to accomplish the divine plans and purposes of God:

Psalms 18: 29, 32-34 *“For by thee I have *run* through a troop; and by my God have I *leaped* over a wall. It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect. He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places. He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.”*

2. Secondly, in the Bible, the sixth month is also a **month of:**

- **important announcements** (Gabriel visits Mary, **Luke 1: 26**),
- **completion of projects** (Completion of the wall of Jerusalem, **Nehemiah 6:15**),

² Input from Steve Olumuyiwa, West Africa Coordinator, Intercessors for Africa (edited)

- victory in the midst of strong enemies (**Nehemiah 6:16**),
- a month of praise, watching and praying in preparation for the seventh month,
- which is a month of the Feasts of the LORD (Feasts of Trumpet, Yom Kippur, and Tabernacles; **Nehemiah 7-8**).

In the heavens, the constellation of the month is **Virgo**, which stands for the Branch, the virgin-born Christ child. The constellation has a bright star called SPICA, which means the SEED in Hebrew, which is Christ.

As we read in:

Genesis 3:15 *“I will put enmity between thee (the serpent/Satan) and the woman and between thy seed (False prophet) and HER SEED (Christ), it (Christ) shall bruise thy head and thou shall bruise his heel.*

This is what the heavens are speaking over this sixth month—victory over the serpent and his trickery.

Let us pray the following prayer to our Heavenly Father (**Matthew 6:10**):
“Thy will be done on earth as in Heaven!”

Avoid the trickery of the devil, i.e., the works of the flesh: uncleanness, envy, wrath, sexual immorality, etc. (**Galatians 5:19-21**).

Let us overcome the trickery (bruising of the heel, deception, etc.) with the Truth, that is, the Living Word of God.

Please buy the truth and sell it not (**Proverbs 23:23**). Let the Truth / Word of God dwell in you richly (**John 17:17, Colossians 3:16**) to produce works / fruit of righteousness for all to see and glorify your Father who is in Heaven.

For those who embrace falsehood and perversion, it is a month of judgement (**Ezekiel 8:1, 9: 1-6**).

Pray and ask the Lord Almighty to hide you in the time of indignation (**Psalms 91**).

3. Thirdly, there is the total Solar Eclipse at the time of the new moon.

This eclipse will be visible throughout the United States. The last time a total solar eclipse was visible throughout the US was during the June 18, 1918; therefore, this eclipse is quite significant for the United States. The eclipse will only be partially visible in other countries.

A word of Caution before you continue to read: PLEASE REMEMBER THAT LOOKING AT THE SOLAR ECLIPSE WITH YOUR EYES CAN LEAD TO BLINDNESS. DO NOT LOOK UP AT THE SOLAR ECLIPSE TO AVOID BLINDNESS.

As you know, during a total solar eclipse, the moon blocks the light of the sun and the day is turned into darkness, depicting the word of God in many scriptures (**Joel 2:31, Acts 2:20, Revelation 6: 12-14**, etc.).

For example, in

Joel 2:31 *“The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes.”*

Therefore, the month of Gad is a month of warning; the heavens (darkened sun and bloody moon) are providing a heads-up sign that the great and awesome day of the Lord (i.e., judgment day) is near.

It is not surprising that the solar eclipse is happening in the month of Gad. Moses, in blessing Gad, confirmed the valiancy of Gad in battle. He compared him to a lion (like Judah, **Revelation 5:5**).

He also called Gad a leader and a judge:

Deuteronomy 49:20-21 *“And of Gad he said, Blessed is he that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head. And he provided the first part for himself, because there, in a portion of the lawgiver, was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and his judgments with Israel.”*

It is also important to note that the Sun and the new moon will be in alignment with **Regulus** the star in the constellation of Leo at the time of the eclipse. In addition, the red planet, Mars (associated with war and warfare) is in the constellation of Leo.

This is an amazing work of God! Let us pray that the Lion of Judah will rise up to prevail for us throughout this month and in the seasons ahead (**Revelation 5**).

Just before the New Moon, the solar eclipse begins on August 21 at 15: 46 UT in the Pacific Ocean by Oregon’s pacific coast. This is the west coast of the US.

The eclipse will move from west to east from the Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean through **14 states**:

Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. The direct path will be salient in these cities and states: Salem, Oregon; Casper, Wyoming; Lincoln, Nebraska; Kansas City, Missouri; St Louis, Missouri; Makanda, Illinois; Paducah, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee; Columbia, South Carolina; and Charleston, South Carolina.

The path of the land fall of the eclipse is restricted to the United States, an occurrence never before seen since the independence of the US in 1776.

The peak of the darkness (total or maximum eclipse) will occur at 18:26 UT. The peak of eclipse or totality will last for about 3 minutes. The eclipse ends at 21: 04 UT.

Pray **Joel 2**. Bring the New Month to the Mercy Seat of Elohim by the Blood of the Lamb of God (**Hebrew 8**).

Pray for the United States—

Joel 2:17 *“Have mercy, spare your people, O God!.*

O Lord, forgive our iniquities, transgression, and sins. Pardon us, O Lord our God. Wash us in the Blood of the Lamb.

In summary, with the highest praise of God, let us possess the gates of this New Moon and the eclipse (**Psalm 24, Isaiah 26:3, Psalm 100**, etc.).

Let us ask God to arise and chase out the gate keepers of darkness, shadows and evil from the entrance of the New Moon of the Sixth month and total solar eclipse.

Proclaim Psalm 68.

Pray that the Lord will strengthen Watchmen who turn back the battle at the gate (**Isaiah 28: 6**).

Praise and Prayer

The first event, which has already been mentioned above, is the new moon. This new month, let us worship the LORD of Hosts with songs, timbrel, dance, and the sounding of the shofar. The Word of God says:

Psalms 81:1-3 *“Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.”*

Lift up the cross of Yeshua and apply the Blood of the Lamb of God:
Colossians 2:14-15, Colossians 1:20, etc.

Command the heavens to declare the righteousness and glory of Elohim
(**Psalm 97: 6, Psalm. 19: 1-6**)

Pray **Psalm 92** - ask the Lord to sanctify and refresh you with His Heavenly oil. Pray that the anointing will break every yoke.

During the solar eclipse, prophecy from that you will be quickened to rise and shine in the everlasting Light of Yeshua, the Light of the world.

Receive renewed strength and supernatural victory as you fight a good fight of faith. Further, pray **Psalm 94**: let Elohim arise and avenge you against the adversaries.

Solar Eclipse: alignments and prayer

During the eclipse, two planets, Mars and Mercury (the fastest planet, associated with communication/major announcements) are close by. Mars is behind the sun and moon in forward motion while Mercury is in front of the eclipse in backward motion.

This is a STRONG MULTIDIMENSIONAL alignment. Please anchor these events in the blood of the Lamb of God (**Colossians 1:20**) and command the heavens to declare the righteousness and the glory of Elohim (**Psalm. 97:6, Psalm 19: 1-6**).

Please sound the Shofar and praise our awesome and great Elohim (**Psalm 81: 1-7a**).

Praise Yeshua, the Bright and Morning Star (**Revelation 22:16**). Plead the blood of Yeshua (**Colossians 1:20**).

Because the signs in the heaven are warning us to watch out for the appearance of the day of the Lord, this is a time to circumcise our hearts. We need to yield to the LORD's call:

Hosea 6:1-3 *“Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up. After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. Then shall we know if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth.”*

As we return to the LORD, we shall be raised up as individuals, families and nations from every limiting grave and prison to enter into the fullness of His purposes.

- Ask God to release the Voice of the Blood of Yeshua / Jesus (**Hebrew 12:24**) into the heavens and earth to deprogram the evil (darkness, shadows, instability, mind control, backwardness, delay, wars, famine, poverty, diseases, etc.) that the army of satan has programed into the heavens during the eclipses that have passed over the world, your life, family, etc.

Apply the Blood of Yeshua / Jesus to blot out this evil handwriting **Colossians 2:14**.

Ask the Lord to disarm the works of the army of satan over Israel and the nations of the earth, your life, the Church, etc. **Colossians 2:15**

- Sprinkle the Blood of Yeshua / Jesus on the PATH of the solar eclipse— Pacific Ocean, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina and Atlantic Ocean.

Ask the Lord Jesus, who is the WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE to reign over this eclipse PATH.

- Pray that the sun and the sixth moon will bear witness against the spirit of the destroyer and the army of satan who stand opposed to the counsel of the Risen Christ in matters pertaining to the nations of the Earth, America, Israel, the Church, you, your family, business, community, etc.

Ask the Lord to break the power of satan, global occultism and Islamic fundamentalism during this eclipse.

- Islamic/witchcraft:

Use the Blood of Yeshua / Jesus to cancel the satanic agreement between witchcraft / Islamic spirit and the crescent moon (**Isaiah 28:14-18**).

Apply the Voice of the Blood of Yeshua / Jesus to silence the enchantments, invocation, volume of words spoken 5 times a day into the heavens etc. by the army of satan during this eclipse (**Hebrew 12:24**).

- Ask the Lord to visit **all satanic altars** in the heavens (the square and the compass of occultists, the pentagrams of witches, rolling stones, etc.) with fury, anger and fire. Let the Lord uproot and destroy them (**Isaiah 64:1-4, Psalm 144:5-6**, etc.)
- **Pray against shadow sorcery:**

The shadow of the moon is over the earth during the solar eclipse. Witches and occultists will bring out their “book of shadows” to program into this event.

Release the Fire of God on these books. Pray against all manners of shadows and darkness. We shall abide under the Shadow of the Almighty God (**Psalm 91**) and our inheritance will not be buried in shadows.

- Bring judgment on the queen of heaven (**Isaiah 47**),
- witchcraft spirit (**Micah 5:10-15, Psalm 69:22-28, Nah 3, Ex 22:18, Micah 3:6-7**, etc.), water spirits who stand opposed to Christ’s agenda for us through the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. (**Isaiah 27:1, Ezekiel 29:2-5, 32:2-8, Zechariah 10:11**, etc.),
- idolatry (**Isaiah 19:1**, etc.).
- With the key of David, shut the heavens against all satanic watchmen (**Revelation 3:7**).
- Pray for salvation of souls bound by sin in the path of the eclipse.
- Pray that the following promises be made manifest in your life:
Deuteronomy 33:13-17, Psalm 121, Deuteronomy 28:1-14, Revelation 21:7
- Pray for Israel. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem (**Psalm 122**).
- Proclaim the kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ and He shall rule forever, Amen. (**Revelation 4, 5, 11:15**).

****Other heavenly alignments****

We list / describe other important heavenly alignments below.

Please command the heavens and these alignments to declare the glory of the Lord (**Psalm. 19:1-6**).

Pray that the counsel of the Lord will stand and that the kingdom of darkness will not hijack these events to their advantage.

Let us insist that our God who maketh the seven stars and Orion will overturn the sentences of the sorcerers against our families, businesses, nations, and the church.

Amos 5:7-9 "Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth, Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD is his name: That strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress."

Let the Lord turn the shadow of death situations in our lives and circumstances into the morning. Let Him strengthen us against the army of satan and their strong networks.

During the eclipse, pray:

Psalm 84:11-12: "For the LORD is a sun and a shield; the LORD gives grace and glory. No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly, O LORD of Hosts, How blessed is the man who trusts in You."

During this lunar season, ask the LORD of Hosts to stand upon His altar to fight for you, your family, nation, the Church and Israel.

Pray Amos 9: 1-6, Ezekiel 32: 3-8, Micah 3: 6-7.

Other events are:

August 23 at 3:31 UT : 33rd hour of the moon, which the enemies of Christ would like to use as a bow to shoot arrows of destruction.

Please deal with the 33rd hour sorcery in the moon by proclaiming the power and victory of the death of Jesus Christ in His 33rd year on earth against the devises of satan and is army (**Hebrew 2:14-15**).

August 23-27: First crescent moon:

Pray against the use of the moon as a bow of death, (e.g. Diana's bow). Ask the Lord to break the satanic bows released through the moon (for example **Psalm 46:9**).

August 25 : Saturn (the ring planet) stops its backward movement on August 25, begins its forward movement. A day of advancement!

Pray: Father, move Your Kingdom forward on earth. As it is in heaven, so, on earth!
Pray **Revelation 4 and 5**

Pray for deliverance: Ask the Lord to uproot every plant that He has not planted in your life (**Matt15:13**).

Ask the Lord to deliver you from ungodly marriages and alliances.

Ask the Lord to send a mighty blast from His nostrils to consume satanic plantings and records in your life and situation so that you can be released from witchcraft activities (**Exodus 15:8, Psalm 18:15-19**).

Ask the Lord God to move you forward spiritually, physically, financially, etc.

August 25: moon in alignment with Jupiter (biggest planet, Zedek/righteousness in Hebrew) and northern alignment with Spica, a major star, which is said to represent the Seed/Branch of righteousness (**Jeremiah 33:13**).

August 25 -27: Mercury (in retrograde or backward movement) in inferior conjunction with the Sun: the planet moves from the evening sky to the morning sky.

August 29 : First quarter moon

Remember the first quarter moon has a midrib called the TERMINATOR. From this point, everything on earth can be monitored.

Apply the Blood of Yeshua on the terminator, and ask the Lord God Almighty to terminate every decree of death and destruction in your life and situation (**Colossians 2:14-15**).

August 29 : Moon is in alignment with Antares,

The star which has the likeness of the scorpion—pray against serpentine activities (**Isaiah 27:1**); command the heavens to declare the glory and righteousness of God **Psalms 97:6, 19:1-6. Proclaim Luke 10:19**)

August 30 : Moon is in eclipse with forward-moving Saturn (Revelation 4 and 5).

September 4: Mercury stops backward movement, begins to move forward in the heavens. A day of advancement!

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September 6 : Full moon:

In its fullness, the moon will align with the planet Neptune in the waters of Aquarius (**Psalm 81, 29**, etc).

September 13 : Last quarter moon

Like the first quarter moon, the last quarter moon has a midrib called the TERMINATOR. From this point, everything on earth can be monitored. \

Apply the Blood of Yeshua on the terminator, and ask the Lord God Almighty to terminate every decree of death and destruction in your life and situation (**Colossians 1 2:14-15**).

September 16-19 : Last crescent moon

Apply the Blood of the Lamb of God into the last crescent also known as the sickle of the moon

September 16-18 : Major planetary gathering in Leo

Mercury, Mars, and Venus. The moon is also in Leo and takes turn aligning with all the planets and Regulus, the king star at the foot/base of the sickle of Leo. Venus also aligns with Regulus.

NOTE: these alignments bring us to the end of the Hebrew sixth month. Remember that at the beginning of the month, during the eclipse, the Sun and Moon were in alignment with Regulus.

At the end of the month, we also see a heavenly gathering around Regulus, the king star at the foot / base of the sickle of the Lion.

Based on these alignments, we can see that King Yeshua, the Righteous Judge will judge righteously, He will tread His enemies under Foot this month, and He will save the righteous (**Isaiah 33:22, Luke 10: 18-19**).

September 20 : 7th new moon - Tishri

Month six is also the month of Gad

When Gad was born, Leah proclaimed:

Genesis 30:11 *“11 Then Leah said, Victory and good fortune have come; and she named him Gad [fortune].”*

Gad means soldier; thus, when his father Jacob blessed him in **Genesis 49:19**, he prophesied over him as follows:

Genesis 49:19 *“19 Gad—a raiding troop shall raid him, but he shall raid at their heels and assault them [victoriously].”*

In **I Chronicles 5:18**, we see that the men of Gad were brave and swift in battle. They were skilful fighters:

1 Chronicles 5:18 *“18 The sons of Reuben, the Gadites, and the half-tribe of Manasseh—**valiant men** able to bear buckler and sword and to shoot with bow and skillful in war—were 44,760 able and ready to go forth to war.”*

Later on, Moses, in blessing Gad, confirmed the valiancy of Gad in battle. He compared him to a lion (like Judah). He called Gad a leader, a judge in:

Deuteronomy 33:20-21 *“20 And of Gad he said: Blessed is He Who enlarges Gad! Gad lurks like a lioness, and tears the arm, yes, the crown of the head. He selected the best land for himself, for there was the leader’s portion reserved; yet he came with the chiefs of the nation, and the righteous will of the LORD he performed, and His ordinances with Israel. [Num. 32:29-33.]”*

This month, the LORD is calling forth the Gad Company — bold, overcoming troopers who will:

- ◆ Fight a good fight of faith,
- ◆ Work and pray at the same time,
- ◆ Execute the righteous judgments of our GOD,
- ◆ Showcase how GOD supernaturally helps HIS people.

Let the Gad and Nehemiah anointing in you arise, based on the finished work of Y’shua at Calvary!

Let us wrestle in prayer as Elohim’s troops on earth for a mighty harvest of souls globally so that the territories of our God on earth can be enlarged. Let us rise up to build a wall of prayer, a wall of defence to stop the plaques of diseases, terrorism, ungodly decrees and activities.

Upcoming celestial³ events:

Remember to apply the Blood of the Lamb of GOD into the heavens (**Colossians 1:19**) and command the heavens to declare the Righteousness and Glory of GOD (**Psalm 97:6**, **Psalm 19:1-6**) during the following events:

DATES	WHAT	INFORMATION
August 21	New Moon	The Moon will be located on the same side of the Earth as the Sun and will not be visible in the night sky. This phase occurs at 18:30 UTC. This is the best time of the month to observe faint objects such as galaxies and star clusters because there is no moonlight to interfere.
August 21	Total Solar Eclipse	A total solar eclipse occurs when the moon completely blocks the Sun, revealing the Sun's beautiful outer atmosphere known as the corona. This is a rare, once-in-a-lifetime event for viewers in the United States. The last total solar eclipse visible in the continental United States occurred in 1979 and the next one will not take place until 2024. The path of totality will begin in the Pacific Ocean and travel through the center of the United States. The total eclipse will be visible in parts of Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Nebraska, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina before ending in the Atlantic Ocean. A partial eclipse will be visible in most of North America and parts of northern South America.

³ Taken from <http://www.seasky.org/astronomy/astronomy-calendar-2017.html> and Steve Olumuyiwa's monthly New Moon report.

September 5	Neptune at Opposition	The blue giant planet will be at its closest approach to Earth and its face will be fully illuminated by the Sun. It will be brighter than any other time of the year and will be visible all night long. This is the best time to view and photograph Neptune. Due to its extreme distance from Earth, it will only appear as a tiny blue dot in all but the most powerful telescopes.
September 6	Full Moon	The Moon will be located on the opposite side of the Earth as the Sun and its face will be fully illuminated. This phase occurs at 07:03 UTC. This full moon was known by early Native American tribes as the Full Corn Moon because the corn is harvested around this time of year.
September 12	Mercury at Greatest Western Elongation	The planet Mercury reaches greatest western elongation of 17.9 degrees from the Sun. This is the best time to view Mercury since it will be at its highest point above the horizon in the morning sky. Look for the planet low in the eastern sky just before sunrise.
September 20	New Moon	The Moon will be located on the same side of the Earth as the Sun and will not be visible in the night sky. This phase occurs at 05:30 UTC. This is the best time of the month to observe faint objects such as galaxies and star clusters because there is no moonlight to interfere.

Let's PRAY

Please organise all night prayer meetings to possess the gates of the times highlighted in this report. Pray also during the set times for the events.

Remember, scripturally speaking, the summer is a time for **harvest, battles and watching and praying!** (Northern hemisphere)

(Southern hemisphere is slowly exiting the winter months...)

As we watch and pray this New Moon, we will be empowered to fight a good fight of faith.

Remember:

2 Corinthians 10:4-5 — *“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in GOD for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of GOD, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ”.*

Following are the prayer points for this month, which we encourage you to pray, as led by the Holy Spirit:

- ◆ Praise and worship the Lord God Almighty (**Psalm 136, 148, 8**, etc). Thank God for His mercies.
- ◆ Declare the Lordship of Y'shua over all things (**Colossians 1:15-16, Psalm 24:1**, etc.): yourself, family, community, job / business,
- ◆ Israel, Africa, Australia, America, Asia, Europe, the Pacific,
- ◆ the Church, thrones, altars, principalities, powers,
- ◆ witchcraft, occultism, water spirits, satanic princes and watchmen,
- ◆ the moon god worshipped by the children of the bondwoman, sun, moon, stars, the solar eclipse, lunar eclipse, etc.

Lamentation and Repentance

PERSONAL SINS (Psalm 15, 24:3-4):

- ◆ Lies, rebellion, hatred, anger, unforgiveness, jealousy, pride, anxiety, fear, prayerlessness, etc.
- ◆ **SINS OF THE SOCIETY: (2 Chronicles 7:14, Daniel 9:3-19):**
- ◆ Idolatry, the acceptance of the false worship religion of the children of the bondwoman, witchcraft, oppression, injustice, war, destruction of lives and properties, shedding of innocent blood through war and abortion, pride, greed, lawlessness, corruption, etc.

SINS OF THE CHURCH (Matthew 21:12-13, Isaiah 56:9-12):

- ◆ Sleeping and slumbering, ignorance, injustice, hypocrisy, pride, disunity, sexual immorality, love of money, witchcraft, idolatry, etc. Ask the Lord to forgive us.
- ◆ Ask the Lord for mercy and bring atonement by the Blood of Y'shua (**Psalm 51, Hebrews 9:12-14, 1 John 1:7**)
- ◆ Speak to the heavens with the Voice of the Blood of Y'shua (**Hebrews 12:24**) and deprogram every evil (darkness, shadows, instability, spiritual slavery, mind control, backwardness, delay, wars, famine, poverty, diseases, lukewarmness, etc.) that the army of satan has programmed into the heavens during the eclipses that have passed over your life, family, nation etc.
- ◆ Apply the Blood of Y'shua to blot out this evil handwriting **Colossians 2:14**. Ask the Lord to disarm the works of the army of satan over your life, nation, the Church, etc. **Colossians 2:15**

Sprinkle the Blood of Y'shua on the PATH of the solar eclipse:

- ◆ North eastern Brazil, Atlantic ocean, Gabon, R. of Congo, DR Congo, Tanzania, Mozambique, Madagascar, the small Island of Reunion, and the Indian Ocean.

Partial eclipse paths: Accra (Ghana), Lagos (Nigeria), Sao Tome, Equatorial Guinea, Cameroon, Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Comoros, Mayotte, the Middle East and southwestern Australia.

- ◆ Ask the Lord Y'shua, who is the WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE to reign over this eclipse PATH. Ask the Lord to turn this path into a Highway of Holiness (**Isaiah 35:8-10**)
- ◆ Apply the Blood of Y'shua into the eclipse and the ring of light of the eclipse created through the alignment of the sun and the moon. Pray from **Isaiah 60** that you, your family, nation, etc. will "arise and shine out of darkness."
- ◆ Let us blow the trumpet in the new Moon (**Psalm 81:1-3**) and ask the Lord to deliver us as He did deliver Joseph (**Psalm 81:5-7a**).
- ◆ Pray that the sun and this new moon will bear witness against the army of satan who stand opposed to the counsel of the risen Christ in matters pertaining to the Church, you, your family, business, community, etc. to judge Global occultism and Islamic fundamentalism through this eclipse event and to bless his Church.

Isaiah 61:2 *"...proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;"*

- ◆ Invalidate the dominion the wicked seek over the solar eclipse in the Name of Y'shua.

Ishmaelite / witchcraft:

- ◆ Apply the Blood of Y'shua to cancel the satanic agreement between witchcraft / Ishmaelite spirit and the crescent moon (**Isaiah 28:14-18**).
- ◆ Use the Voice of the Blood of Y'shua to silence the enchantments, invocation, volume of words spoken 5 times a day into the heavens etc. by the army of satan during this eclipse (**Hebrews 12:24**).

- ◆ Ask the Lord to visit all satanic altars in the heavens (the square and the compass of occultists, the pentagrams of witches, rolling stones, etc) with fury, anger and fire. Let the Lord uproot and destroy them (**Isaiah 64:1-4, Psalm 144:5-6**, etc)

Pray against shadow sorcery:

- ◆ The shadow of the moon will be swept over the earth during the solar eclipse. Witches and occultists will bring out their "book of shadows" to program into this event.
- ◆ Release the Fire of God on these evil books. Pray against all manners of shadows and darkness. **Psalm 91** says:

"We shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty God" and our inheritance will not be buried in shadows of darkness.

- ◆ **Bring judgment on the queen of heaven (Isaiah 47),**
- ◆ **Witchcraft spirits** (Micah 5:10-15, Psalm 69:22-28, Nahum 3, Exodus 22:18, Micah 3:6-7, etc),
- ◆ **Water spirits** who stand opposed to Christ's agenda for us through the waters (**Isaiah 27:1, Ezekiel 29:2-5, 32:2-8, Zechariah 10:11**, etc.);
- ◆ Pray against **idolatry** (Isaiah 19:1, etc).
- ◆ With the **Key of David**, shut the heavens against all satanic watchmen (**Revelation 3:7**). (The Key of David can also be a music sound!)

Receive the following promises:

- ◆ **Deuteronomy 33:13-17, Psalm 121, Deuteronomy 28:1-14**, etc.
- ◆ Pray for Israel. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; pray that the two sticks of Judah and Ephraim will become one (**Psalm 122, Ezekiel 37**).
- ◆ Proclaim the kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ and He shall reign forever, Amen. (**Revelation 4, 5, 11:15**)
- ◆ Let us sound the shofar continuously at this time. Thank GOD for His Promise to grant us His Almighty Voice in the heavens (**Isaiah 51:16**). Thank Him for His Grace, Love, Mercy and Favour.
- ◆ Thank GOD for creating the sun to rule the day and the moon to rule the night.
- ◆ Thank GOD for creating the heavenly elements for signs and seasons (**Psalm 136, Genesis 1**).

Four reasons to blow the Shofar!



1. For the calling of the assemblies Numbers 10:2-4

This is therefore a season for GOD (YHVH)'s saints to gather either as leadership or as groups in solemn assemblies unto the LORD to hear what the Spirit is saying unto the Body at this Appointed Time.

2. For the journeying of the camps Numbers 10:5-7

As Israel was compelled to keep moving forward in their journeying to their Land of Inheritance, so must we individually and collectively insist that in this period, there must be a moving forward in GOD (YHVH)'s Purposes. Reject in this season every form of stagnation — spiritual, financial, material, as well as destiny and general fulfillment of GOD (YHVH)'s Redemptive Purposes.

3. At the times of war to invite GOD (YHVH) into the battle, Numbers 10:9

As we pass through this so called ember seasons, we need to invite the LORD of Hosts as the LORD of the Battle into our personal and national battles as the Church in the nations, so that the LORD will remember us against the strong onslaught of the forces of satan and witchcraft.

4. At the times of our Feasts (solemn days) and start of new seasons, Numbers 10:10

Psalm 20: 1-9 *"MAY THE LORD answer you in the day of trouble! May the Name of the GOD of Jacob set you up on high [and defend you]; ²Send you help from the sanctuary and support, refresh, and strengthen you from Zion; ³Remember all your offerings and accept your burnt sacrifice. Selah [pause, and think of that!] ⁴May He grant you according to your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans. ⁵We will [shout in] triumph at Your salvation and victory, and in the Name of our GOD we will set up our banners. May the LORD fulfill all your petitions. ⁶Now I know that the LORD saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy Heaven with the saving strength of His Right Hand. ⁷Some trust in and boast of chariots and some of horses, but we will trust in and boast of the Name of the LORD our GOD. ⁸They are bowed down and fallen, but we are risen and stand upright. ⁹O LORD, give victory; let the King answer us when we call."*

- ◆ *Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Pray that the Two Sticks of Judah and Ephraim will become ONE (Psalm 122, Ezekiel 37).*
- ◆ Let us pray that the on-going shakings in the Middle East will draw Jews to their True Messiah, our KING Y'shua / Jesus.
- ◆ Thank Him for His Shalom. He has not given us the spirit of fear, but of love, power and a sound mind. Cover your mind with the Blood of the Lamb and keep looking to Y'shua /Jesus, the Author and Finisher of your faith.
- ◆ Thank ABBA FATHER and bless His Name (*Psalm 105, 118*).
- ◆ He is called Faithful and True (*Revelation 19:11*).

May Adonai Y'shua, the Chief Intercessor, bless you as you pray with the strength of EL Gibor (the Almighty GOD) and knowledge this season. SHALOM SHALOM!!

The following two sections include traditional Jewish commentary and thoughts on the upcoming new month.

PLEASE NOTE! There are MANY Jewish traditions → including those for celebrating the Feasts, the New Moons / months, as well as many other celebrations and customs ...

While there is NO problem in using the traditions → MANY of them are beautiful and can be used as guidelines for Feasts / celebrations; it is IMPORTANT that we keep in mind they are only *TRADITIONS*, and not *GOD-Given Instructions*.

We encourage everyone to FIRST study the Scriptures, to know / understand the Instructions the FATHER has given us ...

Interestingly, often times you'll find that the Scriptures give very little Instruction as to HOW to celebrate or keep the Feasts (as in the case of Shabbat, where there are only a few direct Instructions given) → this causes us to truly worship in Spirit AND Truth.

To study the Scriptures for the TRUTH (Instructions), and then to be led by the SPIRIT in how the *Father* would like us to celebrate / keep His Appointed Times ... this results in us having to develop and walk in **RELATIONSHIP** with our Father, which is His very Heart ... the reason mankind was created in the first place → to walk in **FELLOWSHIP** with GOD, as back in the Garden.

So, if there are traditions you find helpful; again, there is no problem in using the traditions ... we simply encourage everyone to research these traditions out (their history, origin, and meaning) and TEST them against Scriptures.

We need to be AWARE of and AVOID those traditions (including BOTH the Jewish and Constantine / "Christian" traditions / customs) that go AGAINST the Father's Instructions.

Keep in mind, this was OFTEN the argument Y'shua had with the Pharisees and religious leaders in the New Testament, where their traditions were going against and nullifying the *Father's* Instructions (**Mark 7:1-13** for example).

Be encouraged! As you learn to discern and differentiate between what is MAN-MADE tradition, and MAN-MADE customs / doctrines ... you discover that the Father's Yoke truly is LIGHT and EASY ...

That His Instructions are a BLESSING!

Month Six Hebrew month ...

May You give us long life,
A life of peace ... Shalom,
A life of goodness ... Tovah,
A life of blessing ... Bracha,
A life of sustenance ... Parnassa,
A life of physical health ... Hilutz Atzamot,
A life in which there is a fear of heaven and fear of sin ... Yirat Shamayim ve'Yirat Chet,
A life in which there is no humiliation ... Ein Busha u'Chlimah,
A life of wealth and honor ... Osher ve'Kavod,
A life in which we will have love of Torah and awe and reverence of GOD ... Ahavat Torah ve'Yirat HaShem,
A life in which Adonai, the LORD, fulfills our heartfelt requests for good.

Amen, Selah.

Preparation for the Days of Awe

Month Six is considered a particular time for repentance and reconciliation with GOD. There are forty days between the first day of month six and Yom Kippur. These correspond Biblically with the forty days between the day (the first of Elul) that Moses saw the Israelites worshipping the Golden Calf and broke the first set of tablets carrying the Ten Words or Commandments of GOD and, after ascending Mount Sinai to intercede and plead for GOD's Divine Pardon, the day (the tenth of Tishrei) that he returned with the second set of tablets.

In response to Moses' heartbroken and persistent intercession, GOD forgave the sin of idolatry and the gift of His Word was evidence of His Forgiveness. This manifestation of Divine Pardon has marked these forty days as a time for self-examination and repentance, and for giving and receiving forgiveness.

The name of the month is a reminder that this season of repentance (teshuvah) and spiritual reflection is not to be a time of morbid introspection or conducted with heaviness. E,l,u,l (aleph, lamed, vav, lamed) is an acronym for the Hebrew verse, Song of Songs 6:3, *Ani le'dodi ve'dodi li*, "I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine".

The month affords a special opportunity to turn one's heart to GOD in love. We are reminded that teshuvah, repentance, is a loving gift from our faithful Father. It is, in fact, a supernatural gift — a process that is above the forces of nature. The Creator set the laws of nature in place, day follows night, time marches on, death follows life and penalty follows sin. Teshuvah/repentance, however, demonstrates that the same Creator is able to counteract His laws of nature. As Avraham Finkel describes: "Time is reversible, the past can be undone, a wasted life can be restored".

Psalm 145:18 "GOD is close to all who call to Him — to all who call Him with sincerity ..."

Teshuvah enables the light of GOD's Presence to enter any areas of darkness in our hearts, to allow purification and illumination. The Baal Shem Tov uses a beautiful analogy to explain the concept of repentance:

When you enter a dark room carrying a burning lamp, the darkness vanishes without leaving a trace. So too a baal teshuvah [one who repents and turns to GOD and His Word] even though until now he lived in the total darkness of sin, when the light of Torah begins to shine in his soul, all the darkness is gone.

Teshuvah is always linked with tzedakah, charity. In this respect, Bnei Yissaschar says: "Behold, month six corresponds with the tribe of Gad."

The Sages record that the letter of Gad's name — gimmel, dalet — stand for gemol dalim, which translates as: Bestow kindness upon the poor. As GOD blesses and prospers us, we need always remember to give and to share what we have with those less fortunate.

Psalm 27

Psalm 27 is read every day during month six. Orthodox Jews recite it morning and evening through both month 6 and 7, until the close of Sukkot (the Feast of Tabernacles).

It is a worthwhile exercise to write it out in your own hand, also in Hebrew if you are able, and keep it available for easy access.

The psalm reminds us, in view of the approaching Day of Repentance, Rosh HaShanah, that the LORD is our Light. When we repent, His Light dispels any darkness in our lives and the light of His Truth guides our feet into and through the coming year.

As we look towards Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, we proclaim that GOD is our Redeemer and in Messiah Y'shua is our salvation. And we know, as enacted on Sukkot, that He literally hides us in the tent, or tabernacle, of His Presence (yitzfeneini b'sukka).

He protects us from all harm and, as we allow the powerful truths of this season to infuse our innermost beings, He leads us forward and will guide our steps through the coming year b'orach yishor, on a straight path of integrity. What joy to realize, as David proclaims, that one can "... dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life!"

Know Before Whom You Stand

The weekly Torah portion of Nitzavim — 'We are Standing' (Deuteronomy 29:9 — 30:20) is always read during month six, specifically on the Shabbat before Rosh HaShanah. The opening verse is a clear, resonant reminder of the central theme of month six and the Days of Awe: "Today you are all standing before GOD your LORD".

As believers in Messiah Yeshua we have the guarantee that we can approach the Throne of GOD in full and free forgiveness. He is our Redeemer, the powerful "right hand" of GOD stretched out in grace and mercy to receive all who repent and, in the mighty love of the Father, to draw them into the Kingdom of GOD in full standing as His beloved children.

Nitzavim also carries a Divine promise of the joyful time when the hearts of all Israel will return to GOD and will yield to His will in loving obedience: "You will do everything that I am commanding you today; you and your children will repent with all your heart and with all your soul" (30:2).

On that day the great Shofar of GOD will sound with a triumphant blast to announce the arrival of the King of kings before whom every individual will stand to give an account of his life. The shofar is thus sounded at the morning and evening services every day through month six in the hope that its stirring blasts will awaken those who are "asleep" in the stupor of sin. The clarion call moves us to repent and turn again to the Almighty; to receive the power to break any negative patterns of the past and walk forward in new hope and inspiration.

This month six (Elul) let us take the opportunity to draw aside spiritually, to press in to the Presence of our Beloved. We can rejoice and rest in the knowledge that we are forgiven and can stand confidently before the "Judge of all flesh" when the shofar resounds on Rosh haShanah, the Day of Trumpets, and on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement (Leviticus 23:24;27). We then can eagerly anticipate another year of devoted service in joyful worship of our GOD and King.

Highlighted points⁴ regarding month SIXTH:

Every Hebrew month is TRADITIONALLY linked with:

- ◆ A letter of the Hebrew alphabet.
- ◆ A constellation sign (the stars), the zodiac are constellations. **Psalm 119:1-3** says that the heavens declare the Glory of GOD. If we don't get into GOD's Way of understanding the future, you will fall into either an occult way or your own way, called humanism. Everyone has some kind of system that they align with (even if it is their own system).
- ◆ One of the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

The following points regarding this new month are based on these principles.

The heavens declare the Glory of GOD (**Psalms 19** as well as **Psalms 8:1-3**) — we look at the moon and the stars and want to know what Glory of GOD they are declaring. They are declaring the redemptive plan of GOD into the earth realm and we need to walk in it. The heavens are in a circuit (**Psalms 19:6**). You can picture this as the Word of GOD that encircles the earth. If we understand this and receive this, we can pull it in to the earth realm, so to speak. What is the redemptive plan of GOD for any given month that He wants us to enter into? We need to understand that plan and then walk it out.

The month of the Tribe of Gad. When Gad was being born, Leah said, “A troop comeThe heavens declare the Glory of GOD (**Psalms 19** as well as **Psalms 8:1-3**) — we look at the moon and the stars and want to know what Glory of GOD they are declaring. They are declaring the redemptive plan of GOD into the earth realm and we need to walk in it. The heavens are in a circuit (**Psalms 19:6**). You can picture this as the Word of GOD that encircles the earth. What is the redemptive plan of GOD for any given month that He wants us to enter into? We need to understand that plan and then walk in it

The month of the Tribe of Gad. When Gad was being born, Leah said, “A troop comes,” (**Genesis 30:11** see notes) which indicates increase. Another reference is Genesis 49:19, the blessing that Jacob spoke over him, “Gad, a troop shall tramp upon him, but he shall triumph at last.” This indicates that this is also a month of triumph and victory.

The month to camp or find your place in the order of camps or company of the LORD — this is important as it gives you security in your worth and your value in the Body of Messiah.

We need other people as this It will assist you to coming into the fullness and the strength that you can get from others.

Periodically, there will always be seasons of wilderness to go through. Y'shua's example

⁴ Taken from the materials of “Glory of Zion”. For more information, see the book “A Time To Advance” as well as the CD/DVD series “Positioned For Advancement”, from <http://gloryofzion.org/>

teaches us the wilderness principle: a place of testing that produces testimony, and brings one into confrontation with the enemy. However, this is a warning to be properly connected. If you are isolated, will get easily picked off by the enemy.

Process all tribulations through the victory blessings of each month. There is blessing for each month. Wilderness is the same — sometimes we must go through, but you can still receive the blessings of each month.

- ◆ The month that the King is in the field; approach Him and allow His countenance to shine upon you. Pray, “LORD, lift up the light of your countenance upon us (Psalms 4:6).”
- ◆ The month of Hebrew alphabet letter “YOD,” which means “appointed mercy from the Hand of GOD.”
- ◆ Month to run into the tower of might (Proverbs 18:10). A strength greater than yours that can encompass you, You don’t have to be strong all the time, but you can enter into His strength.
- ◆ Month for inner knowledge of peace to be activated. Always find your time of regrouping to be whole.
- ◆ The month to fix what has been broken. (If He doesn’t tell you it is fixable, let it disintegrate and die.)
- ◆ The month where Rebecca gave birth to Jacob and Esau. Do you “birth” blessing or something that GOD is going to hate later on. What is contending for /with you?

Priestly Blessing

“Y’varekh’kha YHVH v’yishmerekha.
May YHVH bless you and keep you.

Ya’er YHVH panav eleikha vichunekka.
May YHVH make His Face shine on you and show you His favour.

Yissa YHVH panav eleikha v’yasem l’kha shalom.
May YHVH lift up His Face toward you and give you peace.

In this way they are to put My Name on the people of Israel, so that I will bless them.”

Numbers 6:24-27

