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And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for appointed times, and for days and years. (Gen 1:14)



Devorah's Date Tree

The most reliable and respected New Moon and Barley Inspection reports from Israel

Dear Friends,

The New Moon has been sighted from Israel this evening, **Saturday, 20 May 2023**, thus marking the beginning of the month.

The New Moon was sighted from:

* Jerusalem at 7:58pm by Devorah Gordon, followed by Anthony Garcia, Cristian Pricop, Tchiya Jenkins, Barb Geisendorfer, Heather Cox, and Chloe.

The photo at the top of this report was taken from our observation point in Jerusalem.

As days in the Biblical Calendar are from sunset to sunset, Rosh Chodesh (the first day of the month), begins when the New Moon has been sighted and continues until sunset the following day. Rosh Chodesh a celebratory day (Num 10:10; Hosea 2:11), which was traditionally commemorated by blowing the shofar (Num 10:10; Psalm 81:4[3]), having a festive meal (1 Samuel 20:5, 24), and worshiping at the Beit HaMikdash (Temple) (Isaiah 66:23; Ezekiel 46:3) with a special sacrifice (Num 28:11-15; 2Chronicles 2:3; Ezra 3:4-5, Ezekiel 45:17, Ezekiel 46:6).

Below are the potential holiday dates for the 1st month of the Biblical Year (2023). The actual dates depend on when you decided to begin the year based on your understanding of the relevant passages and the barley inspection reports we shared with you. For those that are curious, I decided to begin the year on 21 April 2023.

1st Month Holidays	<i>If you began the Year on 23-March-2023</i>	<i>If you began the Year on 21-April-2023</i>
1 st Day of Chag HaMatzot	<i>sunset April 6 - sunset April 7 Passover Sacrifice would be brought at sunset on April 6.</i>	<i>sunset May 5 - sunset May 6 Passover Sacrifice would be brought at sunset on May 5.</i>
Yom HaNafat HaOmer	April 9, 2023	May 7, 2023
7 th Day of Chag HaMatzot	<i>sunset April 12 - sunset April 13</i>	<i>sunset May 11 - sunset May 12</i>
Chag HaShavuot	<i>sunset May 27 - sunset May 28</i>	<i>sunset June 24 - sunset June 25</i>

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On behalf of all of us who keep the Biblical Calendar, we wish to thank everyone who looked for the New Moon from Israel this evening, and all of you who are supporting this important effort from afar.

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Chodesh Tov! Make it a great month!

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Jerusalem, Israel

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