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)



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Dear Friends.

The New Moon has been sighted from Israel this evening, **Monday, 19 June 2023**, thus marking the beginning of the month.

The New Moon was sighted from:

- * Jerusalem at 8:04pm by Devorah Gordon, followed by Gil Ashendorf
- * Maale Adumim by Roy Hoffman with binoculars at 7:44pm and with the naked eye at 7:51pm
- * Ashdod at 8:10pm by MagdiShmuel
- * Haifa (Kiryat Chaim) at 8:20pm by Ephraim Amnon

The photo at the top of this report was taken from our observation point in Jerusalem, this evening. If you look closely, you should be able to see the New Moon.

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).

2023

1st MONTH HOLIDAY DATES

According to the Biblical Calendar

Below are the holiday dates for the 1st month of the Biblical Year (2023), for those who decided to begin the year on 23-March-2023, and those who decided to begin the year on 21-April-2023.

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

The dates above are based the crescent New Moon being sighted in the Land of Israel, the understanding that the passover sacrifice is to be brought at the end of the 14th day, and that Yom HaNafat HaOmer (The Day of the Wave Sheaf Offering) is always the Sunday during Chag HaMatzot (Feast of Unleavened Bread) [see Joshua 5:10-12].

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Chodesh Tov! Make it a great month!

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