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This month shall be the beginning of months for you;  
it is to be the first month of the year to you. (Exodus 12:2)

When Does the  
7th Biblical Month  
Begin (2024)



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Dear Friends,

We want to thank you for partnering with us to restore the Biblical Calendar, and to take this opportunity to share with you that the 7th Biblical Month will begin, Friday, 4 October 2024 at sunset.

To remind you, the Biblical Month begins when the crescent New Moon (Gen 1:14, Ps 104:19, Psalm 81:4[3]; Ezekiel 46:1) is sighted with the naked eye from Israel (Dt 6:1), or 30 days have passed.

On 4 September 2024, we clearly sighted the New Moon with our naked eye. We don't use computer programs to tell us where to look, or optical aids to spot, or confirm our sightings. We simply look for the New Moon, the way we believe the ancient Israelites would have done.

And while the moon's stats are often high enough for us to try to look for the next New Moon 29 days later, it will not be possible to sight the New Moon on 3 October 2024. As the

moon that evening will only have an illumination of 0.7%, and 7 minutes lag time between sunset and moonset.

This means that the 7th Biblical Month will begin the following evening by default (the end of the 30th day), i.e. 4 October 2024 at sunset. As anyone who watches the cycle of the moon in the sky, knows that a lunar month can't be more than 30 days (from our perspective on Earth).

Although we know that the 7th Biblical Month will begin on 4 October 2024 by default, we are still planning on trying to witness the New Moon that evening, and to send out a report following our observation.

As a side note, as the moon's stats are constantly increasing at this stage of its cycle, sometimes the stats aren't high enough for the moon to be visible from Israel on a particular evening, but can be seen in countries to the west of it, later that day. However, it's our understanding that there is only one day on which we are all to observe His holy days, and that day is based on when the New Moon is sighted from The Land, He gave us (Dt 11:8-9, Dt 30:5). Remember, the commandments, including those related to the calendar and the feasts, were clearly given with the intention that they would be observed in The Land of Israel (Dt 6:1, Ex23:14-19, Ex 34:23-26, Dt 16:13-17).

We're commanded to begin the Biblical Year with Chodesh HaAviv (Ex 12:2, Ex 13:3-4, Ex 23:15, Ex 34:18, Dt 16:1), which is the month in which the more natural barley fields, in the Plains of Jericho (Joshua 5:10-12) (what's today referred to as the Jordan Valley), have become Aviv in time for the men to bring an omer of their harvest to the Priest on Chag HaMatzot (Feast of Unleavened Bread (Lev 23:10).

Every year we carry out thorough Barley Inspections to know when to begin the Biblical Year. On 7 April 2024, we [found](#) that the more natural planted barley fields (Gen 3:19, Ex 23:10, Ex 23:16, John 4:36-38), in the Plains of Jericho (Joshua 5:10-12) (what's today referred to as the Jordan Valley), had become Aviv and were either waiting to be cut or had recently been swathed. Therefore, we will be beginning the 7th month on 4 October 2024.

[Types of Barley Fields: Which should determine the beginning of the Biblical Year?](#)

[Chag HaSukkot is at the End of the Agricultural Year: How far along should the harvest be at Feast of Booths?](#)

2024

# 7<sup>th</sup> MONTH HOLIDAY DATES

according to the Biblical Calendar

1 <sup>st</sup> Month Holidays	Scenario #1 <i>New Moon sighted on 11-March-2024</i>	Scenario #2 <i>New Moon sighted on 9-April-2024</i>
1 <sup>st</sup> Day Chag HaMatzot	<i>Healthy Fields in Plains of Jericho (Jordan Valley) NOT AVIV</i>	<i>sunset Apr 23 - sunset Apr 24</i> Passover Sacrifice would be brought on Apr 23 at sunset
Yom HaNafat HaOmer		April 28, 2024
7 <sup>th</sup> Day Chag HaMatzot		<i>sunset Apr 29 - sunset Apr 30</i>
Chag HaShavuot		<i>sunset Jun 15 - sunset Jun 16</i>
7 <sup>th</sup> Month Holidays		Scenario #1 <i>New Moon sighted on 4-October-2024</i>
Yom Teruah (Day of Trumpets)	<i>sunset Oct 4 - sunset Oct 5</i>	<i>Based on New Moon sighting on 4 September 2024, beginning of 7<sup>th</sup> month will be 4 October 2024,</i>
Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	<i>sunset Oct 13 - sunset Oct 14</i>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Chag HaSukkot (First Day Feast Booths)	<i>sunset Oct 18 - sunset Oct 19</i>	
Shemini Atzeret (Eighth Day of Assembly)	<i>sunset Oct 25 - sunset Oct 26</i>	

The above dates are based on the year beginning when the healthy barley fields, in the Plains of Jericho (Jordan Valley) (Joshua 5:10-12), are Aviv in time for the men to bring an omer of their harvest to the Priest when they go up to the Temple for Chag HaMatzot (Feast of Unleavened) (Lev 23:10); and the month begins when the crescent New Moon (Gen 1:14, Ps 104:19) has been sighted from the Land of Israel (Dt 6:1). Please partner with us to provide reliable first hand-hand reports from Israel. We could really use your support to carry out this important work!

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Together we can restore the Biblical Calendar!

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