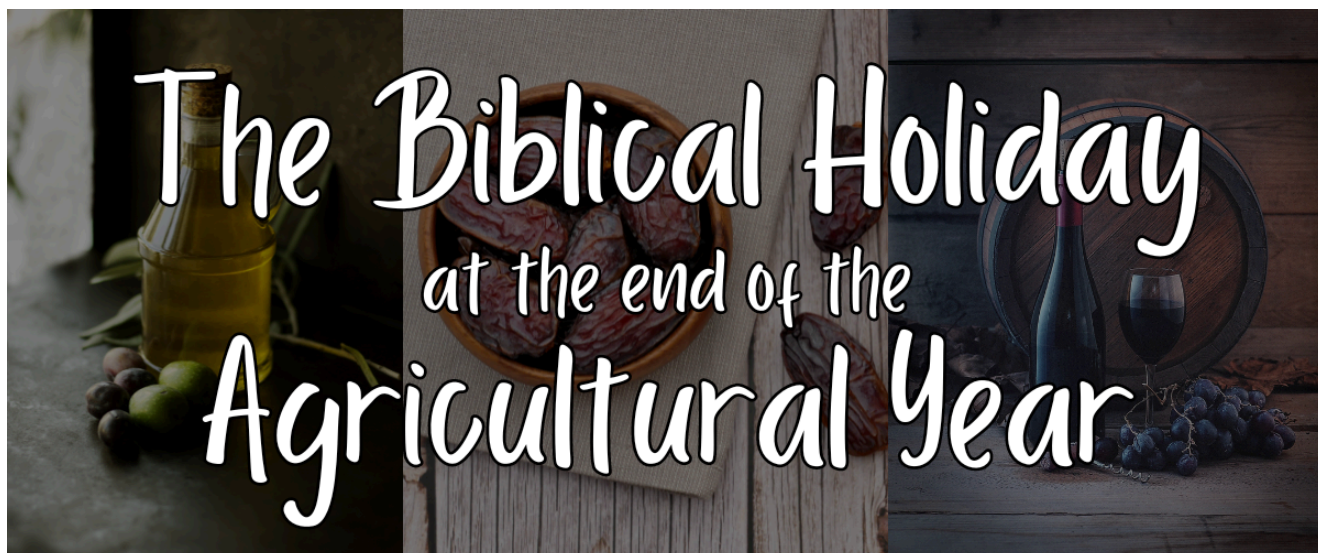


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This month shall be the beginning of months for you;
it is to be the first month of the year to you. (Exodus 12:2)



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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 try and respond to some of your questions regarding how far along the harvest should be, at the time of Chag HaSukkot (Feast of Booths).

Chag HaSukkot (Feast Booths), also referred to as Chag HaAsif (The Feast of Ingathering) (Ex 23:16, Ex 34:22), celebrates the final milestone of the harvest season, when the last of the produce is brought in (Ex 23:16, Lev 23:39, Dt 16:13).

This is why Chag HaSukkot (Feast of Booths) is referred to as being at the "end of the year" (Ex 23:16, Ex34:22), that is, the end of the "agricultural year"; and why everyone is available celebrate (Dt 16:14), as the harvest for the most part is done. This is also why we're instructed to build our Sukkot(booths) from the branches of the trees (Lev 23:40, Nehemia 8:15), as once the fruits have been harvested, it's time for the branches to be pruned.

We're instructed to bring an offering from our harvest at each of the three feasts (Ex 23:14-19, Ex 34:23-26, Dt 16:13-17). At Chag HaSukkot(Feast of Booths), it's believed that the Reshit (first

fruits) of the wine and olive oil are brought (Nu 18:12).

Does every grape and olive need to be harvested and processed by Chag HaSukkot (Feast of Booths)? Presumably not, as one of the blessings for keeping the Torah, is that we'll have such a large harvest that "your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time" (Lev 26:3-5). That being said, it's clear that the vast majority of the harvest has been brought in by Chag HaSukkot (Feast of Booths).

We're commanded to begin the year with Chodesh HaAviv (Month of the Aviv) (Ex 12:2, Ex 13:3-4, Ex 23:15, Ex 34:18, Dt 16:1). This ensures that the Biblical Calendar stays in sync with the solar cycle, and that the 7th month begins at the right time. 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 fields of planted barley (Gen 3:19, Ex 23:10, Ex 23:16, John 4:36-38), in the Plains of Jericho (what's today referred to as the Jordan Valley) (Dt 8:7, Joshua 4:19), had finally become Aviv, and was either waiting to be cut, or had recently been swathed (cut and left on the ground to dry).

Based on our findings of Aviv at the beginning of the year, and the current state of the harvest, we commend beginning the 7th month, with the upcoming New Moon observation on 4 October 2024.

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7th MONTH HOLIDAY DATES

according to the Biblical Calendar

1 st 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 st 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 th Day Chag HaMatzot		<i>sunset Apr 29 - sunset Apr 30</i>
Chag HaShavuot		<i>sunset Jun 15 - sunset Jun 16</i>
7 th Month Holidays	Scenario #1 <i>New Moon sighted on 4-October-2024</i>	Scenario #2 <i>New Moon sighted on 5-October-2024</i>
Yom Teruah (Day of Trumpets)	<i>sunset Oct 4 - sunset Oct 5</i>	<i>Based on New Moon sighting on 5 August 2024, beginning of 7th month will be 4 October 2024, by default.</i>
Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	<i>sunset Oct 13 - sunset Oct 14</i>	
1 st 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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