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Upcoming Crescent Moon Observation
FROM ISRAEL

TUESDAY
23 September 2025
Sunset 6:34 pm
Moonset 7:15 pm

Details Inside

*Receive the New Moon Report
following the observation!*

Devorah's Date Tree

Restoring the Biblical Calendar from the Land of Israel
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Dear Friends,

To remind you, the Biblical Calendar is luni-solar calendar (Gen 1:14), with the Biblical months beginning the first evening the crescent moon is spotted by the naked eye from the Land of Israel, or 30 days have passed.

This is why the word found in Tanakh for month is “chodesh” (Psalm 81:4[3], Ezekiel 46:1), whose root means “new”, as the moon is seen “anew” at the beginning of the Biblical Month. And presumably what is meant by “the moon is for moadim (appointed times), and the sun knows when to set” (Ps 104:19). As there needs to be enough time between sunset and moonset (i.e. the horizon needs to get dark enough), to be able to spot the crescent moon with the naked eye, just after the sun sets.

From our perspective on Earth, it takes the moon approximately 29.5 days to complete its lunation (orbit around Earth). This means it's only possible to spot the crescent with the naked eye at the end of the 29th day half the time (on average). This means it's only possible to spot the crescent at the end of the 29th day half the time, on average.

When the moon is spotted at the end of the 29th day (24 August 2025), but was so early in its cycle that it had very low stats, it won't be far enough along to spot 29 days later (22 September 2025). Therefore, the upcoming 7th Biblical Month will begin on 23 September 2025 in the evening by default, as a lunar month is never more than 30 days.

Remember, we know the crescent moon must be spotted from the Land of Israel, as the Biblical Calendar is to be set according to the signs (Gen 1:14) in The Land (Dt 6:1, Dt 11:8-9, Dt 30:5). Remember, the moadim (appointed times) are set holy days (Lev 23:4), to be observed as a nation, in the place the Creator placed His name (Ex 23:17, Ex34:23, Dt 16:15-16, 1 Kings 11:36, Zech 14:16), not everyone celebrating on different days.

If you're in Israel, and successfully spot the moon with your naked eye on 23 September 2025 (corrective lenses are permissible), please complete this short [form](#) in a timely manner, so we can share your observation with everyone.

2025

2025 HOLIDAY DATES

according to the Biblical Calendar

1st Month Holidays	Scenario #1 New Moon sighted on 30-March-2025	<i>Crescent was spotted from Israel with the naked eye on 30-March-2025</i>
1 st Day Chag HaMatzot (1 Day Unleavened Bread)	Apr 13 <i>sunset</i> - Apr 14 <i>sunset</i>	
Yom HaNafat HaOmer (Wave Sheaf Day)	April 20, 2025	
7 th Day Chag HaMatzot (7 Day Unleavened Bread)	April 19 <i>sunset</i> - Apr 20 <i>sunset</i>	
Chag HaShavuot (Feast of Weeks)	June 7 <i>sunset</i> - June 8 <i>sunset</i>	
7th Month Holidays	Scenario #1 New Moon sighted on 23-September-2025	<i>Crescent Moon was spotted on 24-Aug, and will be impossible to spot on 22-Sept, making 23-Sept at sunset, the beginning of 7th Biblical Month by default, as a lunar month is never more than 30 days.</i>
Yom Teruah (Day of Trumpets)	Sep 23 <i>sunset</i> - Sep 24 <i>sunset</i>	
Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	Oct 2 <i>sunset</i> - Oct 3 <i>sunset</i>	
1 st Day of Chag HaSukkot (First Day Feast Booths)	Oct 7 <i>sunset</i> - Oct 8 <i>sunset</i>	
Shemini Atzeret (Eighth Day of Assembly)	Oct 14 <i>sunset</i> - Oct 15 <i>sunset</i>	

The Biblical Calendar is a luni-solar calendar (Gen 1:14). Meaning that the beginning of the year is based on the solar cycle, and the beginning of the months are based on the lunar cycle. More precisely, the year begins with the spotting of the Crescent Moon after the Spring Equinox (Dt 16:9); and the months begin with the spotting of the Crescent Moon after Conjunction (Ps 104:19). This year, the Biblical Year began on 30 March 2025 at sunset (Ex 12:2). The 7th Biblical Month will begin on 23 Sept 2025 at sunset, as the crescent was spotted on 24 Aug 2025, and it will be impossible to spot it 29 days later (22 Sept 2025), making 23 Sept 2025 at sunset, the beginning of 7th Biblical Month by default, as a lunar month is never more than 30 days.

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Together we can restore the Biblical Calendar!

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