

Introductory Information regarding Set Apart Ministries

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FOREWORD

Thank you for your interest in Set Apart Ministries!

There is a lot of information about who we are and what we do on our website but we thought it might also be helpful to provide much of that information in written form. Everyone does not have internet access! This little booklet contains much about us, including our statement of faith, our goals, and brief descriptions of many things that are important to us as a community.

Sometimes it is just easier to have printed information at your fingertips, though we expect this booklet to be used as a resource, and not something that would be read straight through!

We are a community that values and pursues both knowledge of the Word and the development of maturity, which includes character development and resolution from trauma. We teach and live both Papa's and Mama's Torah (Proverbs 1:8-9) We are a Messiah Centered, Torah Pursuant, Relational Maturity Community. We are a Zadok ministry and treat the development of personal and corporate faith seriously.

We are now much better equipped as a community to answer questions that come up than we were even just a few years ago, but we thought this booklet might still be of help. We have begun to assign a long term member for a personal support/mentor/shepherd for each newer person when that seems to be needed.

Our **Study Guide** is included here for those new to Hebraic understanding and/or those who'd like to pursue status as a *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* (Son or Daughter of the Commandments) with SAM. This material has been reviewed and vetted by Barbara L. Klika, MSW/Undershepherd and Janell I. Schroeder, B.B.A./Teaching Elder as well founded, valid material that will help in the process of re-assessing the foundation of faith for one coming from traditional Christian background as well as establishing that foundation for one coming of age.

It is not and has never been a requirement for participation in SAM, though it is recommended as a way of establishing a common ground of understanding.

Putting it here in printed form may make it more accessible for everyone to use, whether they are in the process of transition and re evaluating their doctrinal understandings or if they want to pursue becoming a recognized Son or Daughter of the Commandments, in our equipping ministry assembly.

- If you are just visiting and are interested in this information, you are most welcome!
- If you are walking with us for a season, thinking that you may want to join us for long term, please also consider yourself welcome!
- If you are seriously considering becoming a regular part of this covenant community, we hope that this information will help you in that process.

In any case, please do let Barb or Janell know if you have any questions about what you see here so that we can make sure there is mutual understanding of our Messiah's directions to us all.

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Statement of Faith:

We believe in the God of Israel, YHWH, Who is eternally existent and Who made the heavens and the earth, and all that is in them.

We believe in His Son, our Messiah, *Yeshua*/ also known as Jesus of Nazareth, fully God and fully man. He was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, was crucified, died and was buried. He rose again on the third day and is coming again soon as a Conquering King, to bring in the millennial reign.

We believe in the Eternal Existence of the *Ruach haKodesh*/the Holy Spirit indwelling in the hearts of those who have believed, made confession of sin, repented, and received *Yeshua*.

We affirm that the Bible, the Whole Word, is alive and valid for today; and that properly understood, both Old and New Testaments are all about YHWH/God's plan for mankind and the work of His Son, *Yeshua*, our Messiah.

We affirm that the commandments of YHWH/God to observe His holy days (*moedim*) and His ways in all things remain the same as in the beginning. Belief in *Yeshua* and the coming of the *Ruach haKodesh*/Holy Spirit has resulted in these same commandments being written upon our hearts.

We affirm that through Messiah's work on our behalf, we have salvation and have been freed from the bondage of sin and death to choose obedience to walk after Him in His ways, which is the sanctification process.

We affirm the Scriptures are inherently infallible in the original languages and confirm the need for both Papa's Torah (knowledge of the Word) and Mama's Torah (character development, maturity.)

We affirm that God created both men and women in His image and that taken together, they are the most complete physical representation of the character of YHWH/God.

We affirm that the Scriptures define both individual and corporate righteousness as we enter into the sanctification process to become more like Messiah, living in His full presence for eternity.

Mission Statement:

Hebrews 10:32-39 (NKJV)

But recall the former days in which, after you were illuminated, you endured a great struggle with sufferings: partly while you were made a spectacle both by reproaches and tribulations, and partly while you became companions of those who were so treated; for you had compassion on me in my chains, and joyfully accepted the plundering of your goods, knowing that you have a better and an enduring possession for yourselves in heaven. Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. for you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise: "For yet a little while, And He who is coming will come and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith; But if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him." But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul.

<https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/missionstatement.html> For additional commentary

Community Definition:

A multi-generational group of interdependent, like-minded people with a clear, stable identity based in YHWH, mutually defined and articulated as in a growing organism, with structure, authority, and boundaries; generally based in recognition of attained maturity, and the shared goal of set-apart living in daily interaction;

an interdependent network of covenant relationships based in Echad with Messiah Yeshua.

Our Model of 4 Levels of Fellowship Groups Defined:

1-Occasional Gatherings

2-Regular Gatherings

3-Developing Covenant Relationship Gatherings

4-Covenant Relationships in Daily Interaction -- sometimes called an Intentional Community.

We see that a group in each "stage" will have different needs and expectations of both members and leaders.

Level 1

These are people who gather occasionally to study Torah, pray and/or worship and enjoy one another's company. There is no specific commitment other than choosing to attend. There is no group identity or specific leadership.

Level 2

These are people who are committed to regular study, prayer, worship and fellowship together, perhaps meeting even several times a week. There is no group identity or specific leadership although there may be influential people who work together to coordinate gatherings.

Level 3

These are people who have chosen to interact together on a regular basis, in a Torah based lifestyle, with intended long-term relationship; in short, covenant relationships.

Level 4

People in covenant relationships who choose to live in a neighborhood setting of some kind; often called an intentional community by secular organizations.

Occasional group meetings do not constitute a community in our understanding.

For occasional groups, there is a social connection with a sense of shared values but this is not formally established or agreed upon.

This is a group of independent individuals, but not necessarily inter-dependent relationships.

A group that has undefined, fluid leadership roles is not the same thing as an organism such as the Body of Messiah.

A group that forms around a gifted teacher may have an identity based on that teacher but not an agreed upon group identity that would stand whether or not that teacher remained.

Such a gifted teacher may or may not have the leadership or shepherding skills that are essential to our understanding of community.

Perhaps most importantly:

Casual or social groups will not experience the same kind of sanctification struggles with opportunity for growth that is found in a community with clear commitment to one another.

People often find it easier to walk away than to mutually resolve differences.

It is hard to understand that "struggle" can be good!

<https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/communitydefinition.html> For additional commentary

Please see: "Intro to What Shepherds Need to Know" Series for further comments.

<https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/shepherdsneedtoknow.html>

We further believe that the process of sanctification is nearly impossible in the earlier stages and will most fully occur in those groups that move toward the greater level of commitment of stages 3 and 4.

It is also to be expected that fears and anxieties will rise as a group moves toward greater levels of intimacy and commitment; so it is helpful to consider what level a group is in when considering a group to join.

We do not see these levels as automatically progressive from one to four, although they may be.

Our local community seems to be between Levels 3 and 4, with intentions of moving more firmly into 4.

Tools for Personal Growth and Discipleship

Our primary personal growth tool is the material associated with **Life Model: Living from the Heart Jesus Gave You**, and is dealt with in regular meetings for both Ladies and Men's Life Model groups, not primarily on Shabbat where our focus is on Messiah. Participation in this process has never been required but it is strongly recommended as very important to the process of all of us becoming more set apart for Yah's purposes, individually and corporately.

We also provide training on many related areas such as boundaries, conflict resolution, trauma resolution, character development, bonding, prayer life development and ministry, personal and corporate spiritual warfare and so forth.

Barbara's professional training as a clinical social worker and as a personal life coach also make it possible to provide individual and group consultations, mentoring and training, formerly through Still Waters, Inc. but now through Christian Transitions at Set Apart Ministries.

Pithy Maxims

Over the years we have been together, we have developed some "sayings" that are very much a part of our identity and the way we encourage one another. A "Pithy Maxim" is a concise statement with profound truth, also called a parable or proverb. "Short sentences drawn from long experience."

Pray, Stay and Don't Run Away!

Remember, Remember, Remember!

His grace is for when we fall short, not when we aim short.

Turtle Up!

This Bride wears Army Boots; not flip flops.

We need to be adaptable so we are adoptable.

<https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/pithymaxims.html>

Goals Statement

We seek our YHWH Elohim, individually and corporately, to walk in all seven aspects of the fullness of His Spirit (Isaiah 11:1-3). Beginning with wisdom, we proceed along the path of His *moedim*/appointed times toward reverence and return again to the beginning, knowing that reverence leads us back to His wisdom.

- 1) We seek YHWH's wisdom as we join together in an interactive study of Torah and His Messianic Scriptures, leaning into His Power and Authority.
- 2) We seek YHWH's understanding as we encourage and support the development of character and maturity in all ways, within the Body of Messiah, using His Word and Life Model™ training tools.
- 3) We seek YHWH's counsel as we provide individual, group and community coaching as an *Ezer Knego* to the Body of Messiah.
- 4) We seek YHWH's Ruach/Spirit as we worship Him so He can raise up an army of worshippers among us.
- 5) We seek YHWH's power to prayerfully come alongside those who seek His Healing Hand in the recovery from life's traumas.
- 6) We seek YHWH's knowledge to rebuild our promised Hebraic Heritage, to gather the lost sheep of Ephraim toward His restoration of the Full House of Israel, to bring both Houses together as one in our Father's Hand.
- 7) We seek YHWH in reverence to give Glory to Him, our Heavenly Father, His Precious Son, Yeshua, and His Ruach in all ways; to participate in His commanded feasts as He our Bridegroom prepares us to be His Bride.

Set Apart Ministries Seven Fold Messianic Community Goals Narrative

As prepared by the Set Apart Ministries Community and Undershepherd

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As we have more fully grown into our vision of an equipping community over these last ten years we have seen the importance of an integrated understanding of how we are to walk out Torah in our lives. The mechanics of exactly how that works together are a work in progress. Through the study of His Word and our ongoing commitment to Him and to one another, we have seen that structure develop and are pleased to share it in the joyful hope that it will be helpful to others who pursue Messiah with every intent to grow up into Him Who alone is our Head.

Beginning from the point of need for personal recovery of those coming out of occult backgrounds we came together and began to develop as a community. Scripture study and discipleship were integral to personal restoration and as we had been studying from a Hebraic viewpoint it also became clear that the traditional Christian lifestyle patterns and practices we ourselves had been in were not free of pagan influences either. We saw that all of us have had painful experiences that have left their mark on our ability to be more like Messiah. Early on we could see that it would be more of an integrated process and less of a “helper-help-ee” professional relationship process, though how much that would be true has been a gradual realization. ...

Read more of this Narrative of Goals at <https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/goals.html>

I pray that the fellowship based on your commitment will produce full understanding of every good thing that is ours in union with the Messiah.

Philemon 1:6 CJB

Messiah Centered Torah Pursuant Relational Maturity Community Model

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A number of people have confirmed that what they see among us and how we teach is different from other Hebrew Roots or Messianic ministries. In marketing terms, they call it “**branding.**” It is about providing information unique to your service or product that makes it distinct and distinguishable from all others. It is a task I find ever challenging here as our understanding and my ability to articulate what we learn continues to shift and grow. In our case, “branding” involves our ability to communicate our *halacha*, the way we walk; what the world would call a model. While many ministries concentrate on teaching what is called “Papa’s Torah” our primary focus is on “Mama’s Torah.” Other terms for it may be spiritual parenting, formation, or mentoring. Our hope is that the pictures of tending to **this** aspect of our Torah walk and preparation **as well as the other** will be compelling and desirable for other fellowship groups.

We have two PowerPoint presentations on our site to help provide this distinguishing information about what Messiah is doing in and through us and how it may benefit others. One is rather long, *Be Ye Set Apart*, and the other is intentionally just two minutes, *Prepare*

Messiah's Bride. Both are found on our [home page](#). Our [mission statement](#) and [goals](#) also provide a window on our Messiah-centric ways. We have many articles that describe various aspects yet it seems there may be another way to approach the matter.

A Torah Pursuant Relational Maturity Community Model.

A phrase that could sound intimidating to some may be enticing to others. What does it mean and why is it distinct? If you have spent any time with us or in reading material on our site you may have already noticed that many topics pertain to relationships as well as to maturity. There is also a model for understanding the various stages that a community or fellowship group is in. We have found this to have great bearing on what approaches can apply to shepherding and decision making in general. Let's look at the four aspects of this phrase.

Torah Pursuant. When studying from a Hebraic perspective to understand the roots of our faith in Messiah Yeshua, one will often see the term, Torah observant, meaning that the people or community referred to are observing the commandments of Scriptures as in the Torah. Strictly speaking "Torah" would be the first five books of the Bible, but is often used as a general term for all of what Christian's have called the "Old Testament." We view it as inclusive of all of His teachings on righteousness. In our case, since most of us did not grow up in a family that observed Torah, we wish to acknowledge that we are aware that we have a great deal to learn and so are pursuing a Torah obedient lifestyle, rather than representing ourselves as "already there."

Relational: it is our understanding that Torah cannot be adequately observed without the context of community and the relationships that exist there. Since our Elohim is Himself, relational, we really couldn't even begin to understand Him as much as we do without also knowing something of the quality of relationships among His people. His ways include recognition of position, family relationships, age, and growing relationship with YHWH. The relationships that reflect Messiah and His Word are very different in quality than those of people with other belief systems or lack of belief. It is in our relationships that the "rubbing" or "bruising" of one another occurs that leads to our sharpening. However, as one well known American Messianic leader put it, sadly, "our iron sharpening iron process can look more like a brawl with lead pipes." Therefore it cannot be simply being in relationship with one another that can adequately encourage and exhort.

Maturity: as you will see in the community definition below, we believe that an understanding of the steps of maturing and appropriate age and stage expectations helps us define the relationships. It also helps us establish who is well enough equipped to offer wise counsel and who is still learning. All too often, people who are still at an earlier stage of maturity than their actual chronological age are trying to or being coerced into providing service that they are not yet equipped to offer. There are many different aspects to maturity from physical to psychological to emotional to spiritual. The overall summary form that we have chosen as a model is "The Life Model TM." This model has been a basis for both personal and corporate consideration, providing both ideals of maturity stages and how the family or community can help each person grow where needed.

Those who developed the Life Model are Christian Believers but not Torah pursuant, and in fact, in some ways opposed to observance of Torah. This has led them to develop some understandings that, to us, seem to contradict the importance of the Whole Word yet we remain convinced of the basic truths that this model helps us to address as we walk out Torah

together, striving to grow toward maturity in Messiah. The Community Teaching Moments are short pieces in which a particular situation is examined through the eyes of the stages of maturity; putting forth a brief description of what a response from each stage might be. They are meant to provide a “snapshot” of behaviors that will help people apply the facts. They are also intended as conversation starters for groups that want to explore and apply maturity concepts in their fellowship group. Because we are Torah pursuant, some topics are included that wouldn't come up in other venues.

Community: we have developed a description--

A multi-generational group of interdependent, like-minded people with a clear, stable identity based in YHWH, mutually defined and articulated as in a growing organism, with structure, authority, and boundaries; generally based in recognition of attained maturity, and the shared goal of set-apart living in daily interaction; an interdependent network of covenant relationships based in Echad with Messiah Yeshua.

This definition was arrived at through a rather lengthy community wide discussion and analysis of what we understand we are called to do. It remains an ideal and one that I have found needs to be revisited and articulated periodically. It is so easy to fall back into a more worldly idea of how people relate to one another. Most people's church backgrounds did not include so much attention to the quality of all relationships all the time, 24/7, in much the same way that walking out the *moedim*/appointed times/Feasts is more encompassing than the Sunday/Christmas/Easter form of faith expression can be. In fact, because of the comprehensive nature of this model/halacha and its bearing throughout all daily aspects of life, some people get concerned that it is “too much” commitment. There is further discussion of what these topics mean as well as to the four levels of community we have identified [here](#).

So there you have it. An effort to simplify and explain four primary aspects of what we understand it means to be a Set Apart people to our Elohim, a Torah Pursuant Relational Maturity Community *halacha* (the way we walk.)

Study Parameters

We are very clear that Messiah has led us in the choice and timing of the studies we have done over the years, not as a specific blueprint for how it "should be done" but rather as an example. We have made a continuing effort to keep key concepts in mind, including them as we move through additional studies and incorporating what has been learned as we go. We have an entire list of the studies we have covered since our inception in 2000, which is available for review on request.

We also try to use various teaching methods since everyone does not do well with just listening. Some are shy about speaking up but we try to encourage participation from all. So,

we use flashcards, some (friendly) competitive memorization games, Scripture Sword drills on paper or verbal, asking people to act out a particular portion of Scripture or asking them to physically stand and represent a situation, and so forth.

In general, we are very much a participatory study community. We have spent many years building a foundation of teaching members to be able to study well, using appropriate study tools because we have never wanted to be a group that has only a "talking head" though Janell Schroeder is our primary Teaching Elder. Our understanding of Scripture is that each one is to be a "good Berean" (Acts 17:11) and pray and study. Of course, no one has a beautiful gem to share EVERY week, but when we do, we love it!

As far as others coming in to teach, we vet them before we would permit anyone to teach, in person or via media. Our *halachah* (procedures or "the way we walk") is that we do not give any new members big responsibility or authority to anyone until we have walked with them for a year, and gotten to know them. These are factors in stability as we see it.

We prayerfully attempt to focus on what the Scriptures teach, avoiding the errors we see in both traditional Christian/RCC backgrounds and Rabbinic Judaism, trying to stay on the path of righteousness and not fall into either ditch, so to speak!

We do NOT advocate Talmudic or Kabbalistic teaching. We Do affirm that Yeshua haMaschiach is fully YHWH yet fully man, not "just a prophet."

We do not look for personal opinions so much as we go back to the original languages and context to do our best to deal with any questions per Hebraic focus. In fact, we try to avoid just personal opinions, truth be told! Or at least state clearly when it IS just opinion.

After these basic things, there will be many other things along the way, but we can all only learn line by line and precept upon precept, without trying to overwhelm anyone!

Recommended Study Resources

[E-sword](#) and [The Blue Letter Bible](#)

For more in-depth study we suggest the following tools:

<http://biblos.com/>

<http://classic.net.bible.org/verse.php>

Strong's Concordance
World Publisher
ISBN # 0-529-06334-4

Interlinear Bible

Sovereign Grace Publishing or Hendrickson Publishing (same edition by Green)

ISBN # 1-878442-81-1

ISBN # **978-1-56563-977-5** (*new edition*)

Englishman's Greek and Hebrew Concordances

(2 separate volumes) Hendrickson Publisher (Wigram)

Greek ISBN # 0-013573-23-X

Greek ISBN # **978-1-56563-207-3** (*new edition*)

Hebrew ISBN # 1-56563-208-7

Hebrew ISBN # **978-1-56563-208-0** (*new edition*)

A good Hebrew and Greek Lexicon

Recommended: Thayer's or Brown, Driver, Briggs-Gesenius

Greek Thayer's ISBN # 0-913573-22-1

Hebrew Gesenius ISBN # 0-913573-20-5

Concordance to the Septuagint

Publisher - Hatch and Redpath

ISBN # 0-8010-2141-3

Etymological Dictionary of Biblical Hebrew

by Matityahu Clark.

ISBN # 1-58330-431-2

or

Kleins Etymological Dictionary of the Hebrew Language

by Ernst Klein

ISBN # 965-220-093-X

The Ancient Hebrew Lexicon of the Bible

by Jeff A. Benner, VBW Publishing

ISBN # 1-58939-776-2

www.Ancient-Hebrew.org

Vines Expository Dictionary - Old and New Testament Words

by William Edwy Vine

ISBN # 10-0785211608, 13 978-0785211600

Complete Word Study Dictionary: Old Testament (Word Study Series)

- Hardcover (Oct. 1, 2003) by Warren Baker and Gene Carpenter

Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament (Word Study Series)

- Hardcover (Aug. 1, 1992) by Spiros Zodhiates

Complete Word Study Old Testament: KJV Edition (Word Study Series)

- Hardcover (June 1, 1994) by Dr. Warren Patrick Baker D.R.E. and Spiros Zodhiates

Complete Word Study New Testament w/ Parallel Greek: KJV Edition (Word Study Series)

- Hardcover (June 1, 1993) by Spiros Zodhiates

See additional information on Bible Study Resources at <https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/studyresources.html>

Membership vs. Guests

We recognize that there is a difference between those who are interested to join us occasionally or when they are in town and those who want to attend regularly. Local occasional visitors are generally invited to attend on the third Shabbat of each month, and those from out of town, as they contact us.

We do not have any kind of formal, signed membership agreement or requirements other than seeking those who share the same commitment to be set apart to YHWH and to mature to be more like Yeshua. See the **Definition of Community** to help determine if you are in agreement with us. We do have two covenant agreements that are signed and witnessed among us, the long term participants. One pertains to behavior identified as passive aggressive and how we will deal with it and the other is a declaration of our dependence on YHWH's covenant promises as we face spiritual challenges.

We have found that it is really important to establish the degree of interest people have because it is a different matter to work with someone who is just casually interested as compared to someone who is willing to fully enter into the process. It has been clear to us that we need to know the level of interest/commitment because it has an impact on the willingness of each person to receive direction, teaching and shepherding.

So when a person has determined that they do want to become regular members in fellowship with us in SAM, which needs to be confirmed with Barb and Janell, we will try to designate whomever appears to be the best candidate from among our long term members to be a liaison for those inevitable questions.

Shabbat Gathering -Typical Schedule

Some newer people have noted that it might be helpful to include a brief discussion of what our Shabbat gatherings are like. We do believe it is important to meet weekly as a community for Shabbat. We generally gather at about 11 am in order to have time to review any worship dances that are included for the day. At about 11:30 am, we have a time of prayer, we call “prayer on the wall” which came about several years ago as a way to literally stand around our community, and invite YHWH’s presence and declaring that our intention is to stand firm as Nehemiah did, building His wall and community. 11:45 is our Shofar Call to Worship. Janell Schroeder is our shofar coordinator and Cheryl Vertz is our dance worship coordinator.

We have an extended time of worship to maintain our Messiah-centric focus and because we find that it takes some time to lay aside the cares of the world and fully enter into His Presence. We have found that we do better with comprehending the Scriptures in our studies when we do the worship time first. Our worship music is from recorded artists as our local members are unable to provide this weekly. We include songs that are consistent with our understanding of the Word, in both Hebrew and English, traditional and contemporary styles. The worship time includes a time of corporate prayer, with weekly leaders chosen by prayerful lot the prior week.

Periodically, we have offered a shorter study and worship opportunity for those who are interested but not yet ready for the full day.

We do not generally have another day of the week for study of the Word so after a brief snack break, usually around 1:30, we begin our studies. (Snacks honor Dietary guidelines and we divide up different types among us so that we don’t all bring one thing.) We use some of the traditional prayers of liturgy before and after study, from ***The Messianic Siddur***, developed by Torah Resources, which generally concludes about 5 pm. Sometimes, we include a Community Business discussion time as well.

Passover/Feast of Unleavened Bread and Sukkoth

The SAM community has been observing the Biblical Feasts since 2001. We began observing them, generally on just the *Shabbats* and *Shabbatans*(No work days other than the weekly Shabbat). In 2005, we began to observe the entire week of *Sukkoth* (Feast of Tabernacles) together, viewing this as an opportunity to be set apart from the world, to have daily worship and study together and to build our relationships as His community. We now have a rustic site, dedicated for our Sukkoth gatherings. In 2013, we began to observe the entire week of *Pesach* (Passover/Unleavened Bread) together as a community as well. This has been another wonderful “set apart” time to focus on Messiah together as He grows us in community.

Elders

We use this term in several ways. One, for the leadership roles, and the other for the attained level of maturity of each individual. Janell and Barb are both certified Bethel Series teachers, and Advanced Creation Gospel trainers. Janell has also been certified as Precept's teacher with Kay Arthur, and completed 2 1/2 years toward a BA in Messianic studies at a Yeshiva. She has also gotten certification for *Teaching English as a Foreign Language*, which has proven delightful when she is facilitating our Hebrew language classes. I, Barb, teach at times, but am more primarily gifted in shepherding/exhortation/discernment...and seem to be the resident scribe of all that we learn, though I often encourage others to write as well, so that more than just one person's materials are available on our website.

We vet anyone who is permitted to teach in our community, whether in person or other media to maintain clear boundaries in many ways, particularly important to maintain clarity on Yeshua's identity as Fully God and Fully Man; avoiding errors of occult practices, attempting to maintain a straight path on Scriptures, not falling into errors of either traditional Christian teaching or Rabbinic Judaism.

We believe that every community can benefit from as many people in the elder stage of maturity as possible and encourage this personal and spiritual growth among all. The personal growth and maturity aspects of our community are addressed in separate meetings other than on Shabbat, so that we can keep our Messiah focus on this appointed time day. This involves the use of *The Life Model* and other materials dealing with maturity, boundaries, conflict management, bonding and trauma resolution.

Prison Outreach

Set Apart Ministries has been a part of the **Brown County Prison Aftercare Network (PAN)** since its founding in 2008. We have helped support 5 men on their release from prison or jail. We participate in monthly meetings of PAN and provide other support as we are able to this group and the Brown County Jail Chaplain. Barb and Bob Klika have provided training to help those about to be released back into the community. Janell Schroeder has been approved to provide a study at the Brown County Jail. We maintain a website page with information relevant to those in prison or family members of someone incarcerated.

Wisconsin Christian Newspaper

We were approached in about 2010 by Rob Pue, Editor of Wisconsin Christian Newspaper, to become a contributor and sponsor to represent the Messianic/Hebrew Roots aspect of faith. Barb writes monthly articles on Bible study and personal maturity matters from a mentorship/coaching perspective for this paper which is distributed freely in stores and restaurants all over Wisconsin, and in 2019 printed copies began to be distributed in many states and now internationally. It is also available online. This is our primary outreach. Since

Rob began provided radio and TV commentaries the reach of this paper, printed and online, has exploded worldwide, praise Yah!

Hebrew Language Class(es)

Janell Schroeder facilitates our ongoing Hebrew language classes twice monthly. Periodically, she offers new classes for those joining us. We use ***The Hebrew Primer*** and Torah Resources/Tim Hegg's teaching materials.

Financial Records

Set Apart Ministries was incorporated as a 501©3 organization on January 1, 2000, however we have never pursued the ability to offer tax deductible option for donations. We are interested to change status to a "Free Church" status for a number of reasons, though this process is not yet concluded. Barbara and Robert Klika and Janell Schroeder are the incorporating officers. No one receives a salary.

Cheryl Vertz is our volunteer financial coordinator. She keeps track of all income and expenses. There is an in-basket with her name on it at the office for general communications, donations or receipts.

We do not handle money or any financial interactions on Shabbat, but it is acceptable to place any messages, donations in Chery's box after Shabbat gatherings are concluded. We do offer a PayPal option on our website for those who are unable to contribute in person or do not want to mail funds. Please note that there is a percentage deducted when using this option.

SAM also tithes on our income; primarily in support of *Yahweh's Set Apart Ministries* in Kenya, but also several other ministries, as well as local needs such as the Brown County Jail Chaplain.

We maintain an annual sponsorship of Wisconsin Christian Newspaper as an outreach.

Yahweh's Set Apart Ministries-Kenya

We were contacted by Elder Peter Ndungu Warari of Kenya many years ago in his desire to come alongside us for mutual support and encouragement, as well as their need for financial support. Their ministry then registered a parallel name to SAM although we do not have legal ties.

Barb visited Kenya, seeing 8 of then 12 assemblies and there is a video record of that visit. As of 2020, there are 18 assemblies in Kenya and outreaches in Uganda and Tanzania. We hope to visit again soon.

Library

Belinda Dow is our librarian who catalogs resource materials and can help locate what is needed. She has provided an Excel spreadsheet of all materials; that can be accessed on the office laptop to search for placement in shelving.

She is also working to provide a specific listing for all of the materials recommended in our Study Guide/*Bar or Bat Mitzvah* guidelines. Regular attendees and guests are welcome to use our materials, with appropriate information to sign them out and agreement to return them in a timely manner. Some Reference materials are only for use at the office.

A Self-Guided Study-Bar/Bat Mitzvah Guide

Revised May 2020

This guide is found on our website, and reprinted here for your convenience.

It may be used for those who are new to a Hebraic understanding of Scripture, faith and lifestyle as well as for those who would like the honor of obtaining a *Bar or Bat Mitzvah* (A recognized Son/Daughter of the Commandments) with us in our local community. Though such a ceremony is not explicitly commanded in Scripture, it is in a sense a rite of passage, marking the movement from childhood to adulthood, from innocence to moral and spiritual accountability. For those moving toward a Torah pursuant lifestyle in Messiah Yeshua as an adult, it is also a sort of rite of passage. Though there may be a wide knowledge of Scripture as previously taught, there is yet more to be learned as is revealed through the study of Hebrew and a Hebraic context. We find that there is definitely a time of adjustment as all previous beliefs are examined in light of additional information and background.

Traditionally, a *Bar or Bat Mitzvah* occurs around the ages of 12 and 13, which coincides with the arrival of puberty and the awakening within the young person of the fuller meaning of life, responsibility and character. Similar to many cultures this can be seen in traditional Christianity as the time for the rite of Confirmation. Spiritual and moral choices are being made that will establish a direction for the rest of their lives. A wise and discerning parent will recognize this as a crucial time to help a young person set that course wisely.

Those who come to Messiah Yeshua as an adult may have many years within the faith, knowing Him as Jesus of Nazareth and may have gone through such a Confirmation earlier in life. They will see the same Person, the Son of the Living God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, but they will be seeing him now more clearly in the context which our YHWH chose. They may well be surprised and struggling with the idea of acceptance of all that is taught from Genesis/Beresheit through Revelation/Hitgalut as being applicable for today; particularly observance of the Feast Days, Shabbat and the dietary guidelines.

Taking the time to establish a firm foundation of understanding is wise. Whether it is during teen years or adult years, this time of transition is intensely important to the stability and fruitfulness of life in Messiah Yeshua and among His people. A Bar or Bat Mitzvah is an honor or status conferred on one who has met the requirements for understanding established by the elders of each Torah pursuant community. When someone of any age has achieved this status, they are viewed by the community as being fully established in covenantal relationship with YHWH Elohim and the community, and are to be viewed by the members with the honor and respect such a status entails.

There will never be one “right” course for all people to develop this foundation, but we have reviewed a great deal of material and have found these listed here to be of great value in that process. These guidelines are comprehensive and attempt to address the knowledge of Torah (both Written and Living Torah) as well as personal, emotional, relational, and spiritual needs for our members to move toward the maturity into Messiah our Head that our community strives to develop.

It just isn't possible to move through this transition quickly, whether adolescent or adult. Understanding comes as the *Ruach*/Spirit leads, line upon line and precept upon precept. We can say that we believe a

good working knowledge of the basic stories, people, places and events is necessary first before moving into deeper levels of understanding, as a protective measure against immature interpretation or application. For those adults coming into a Hebraic understanding, you may also find it helpful to read Barb's book: ***New to Torah: A Practical Guide to Pursuing Messiah, the Living Word***, for support in dealing with all the changes this transition brings.

We suggest that all students maintain a notebook chronicling all they have done toward establishing their foundation of Scriptural understanding and/or earning their Bar/Bat Mitzvah, including written assignments. This guide may be printed out and used as a check off list for that purpose. We have seen many people study a great deal with various teachers from various sources yet without an established foundation of understanding, these teachings can be easily misconstrued.

If the honor of being a Son or Daughter of the Commandments is desired, this record may then be presented to the Leaders/Elders of the community and witnesses at a Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony. They may also choose to ask another member of the community, or a parent, to be confirmed by the leadership, to assist them in maintaining accountability along the way. We do not have formal Bar/Bat Mitzvah classes and do not foresee this in the near future so each candidate will need to be proactive and responsible to document what they have studied.

These guidelines may be modified as determined by the leadership of Set Apart Ministries. Some of them may have been met prior to participation with Set Apart Ministries at the discretion of our leaders yet the honor would not be conferred with less than one year's participation with our community. We affirm that knowledge alone is not sufficient but needs to be clearly shown as part of one's lifestyle, discipline, and relationships, walking it out in love. We are a Zadok ministry more so than an Eli ministry (see ***Sons of Zadok*** by C.R. Oliver)

May these guidelines prove fruitful in your life as you follow after Messiah, becoming more like Him, as a member of His Set Apart people!

Barbara L. Klika, MSW Undershepherd

Janell I. Schroeder, BBA, Elder

Set Apart Ministries Study Guide

- _____ Read the entire Bible at least once through.
A Year at a Time Devotional Bible is one way to accomplish this.
(Printed in order of daily readings; old Testament, Psalm, Proverb, New Testament)
One Year Reading Cycle: <https://www.hoshanarabbah.org/>
Here is another online option to do so with your current Bible, and several bookmarks:
<https://oneyearbibleonline.com/reading-plan-downloads/>
This link offers a chronologically ordered way to read through the Bible:
<https://oneyearbibleonline.com/chronological-bible-custom-reading-plan/>

- _____ Write your own salvation Testimony and statement of faith about your view of the Written Torah and Yeshua the Living Torah.

- _____ Be born from above, make public confession of Yeshua as Lord and Savior and be fully immersed in water for the remission of sins.

- _____ Know how to use Bible study aids: Lexicon, Concordance, Bible Dictionary, Key Word Study Bible/Dictionary.

- _____ Be able to read basic Biblical Hebrew terms and names and pronounce them correctly.
Know the Hebrew alefbeth, vowel points and be able to write the Hebrew letters with ease.

- _____ Study the following areas with resources as suggested to develop a minimum of a working knowledge in each. This is a disciplined effort to obtain the knowledge pleasing to our Elohim.

Set Apart Ministries Bar/Bat Mitzvah Candidates

- _____ Complete the above list with documentation.
- _____ Study with our community through one year Torah cycle, using the commentary chosen for that year.
- _____ Have a basic understanding of the seven Biblical Festivals of YHWH and keep them for a full year with our community.
- _____ Have a basic understanding of Shabbat observance and keep it for at least one full year while with our community.
- _____ Have a basic understanding of the Levitical Dietary Laws and observe them for at least one full year while with our community.
- _____ Be able to speak or sing the Shema and the Blessings we use as a community.
- _____ Complete the Basic study of Maturity as presented in group and individual study through the Life Model program and other related materials. Ongoing participation is highly desirable.
Demonstrate awareness of personal maturity factors and community interaction, ongoing personal maturation needs, willingness to receive exhortation, direction and affirmation from our community and leaders.
- _____ Demonstrate a personal commitment to spiritual disciplines, such as daily prayer, Scripture study, guarding His commands in daily life and a commitment to both personal and corporate observance of Torah community life.

_____ Keep a record of materials read/review, along with a summary or book report on each area of study.

Students should not have a “what is the least I can do to meet the requirements” attitude.

Areas of Study Needed

The list of reading and other media materials under each subject heading is a suggested list. It is not necessary to read every one under each heading. What is required, however, is that the student has a good working basic knowledge and overview of the subject in each heading.

Abbreviations used for sources:

AH - Ancient Hebrew – www.ancient-hebrew.org, Jeff Benner

BH - Biblical Holidays – <http://heartofwisdom.com/biblicaltholidays/>, Robin Sampson
May 2020: merging her two sites to one –
<http://biblejournalingdigitally.com/heartofwisdom-com/>
Biblical Holidays book available in paperback or as e-book download

Dry Bones - Dry Bones Restoration Ministry – <http://www.drybonesrestorationcompany.com/>
Frank and Mary/Miriam Houtz **(NOT AVAILABLE YET, since Frank’s death)**

HEB R - Hebrew Roots, Dean and Susan Wheelock
Booklets, tapes, CDs available in our library and some are available online.

HR - Hoshana Rabbah – <http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/>, Na’tan Lawrence
Some also available printed out in our library.

SAM - Set Apart Ministries – www.set-apart-ministries.org or in our library.

RT - Restoration of Torah – www.restorationoftorah.org, Tony Robinson
Online or in SAM library.

TR - Torah Resource – www.torahresource.com, Tim Hegg

WB - Wild Branch – www.wildbranch.org, Brad Scott

119 - 119 Ministries – www.119ministries.com or www.testeverything.net

TF - Torah Family – www.torahfamily.org, Steve and Angela Moutria

Our gratitude and blessings of fruitfulness go to Na'tan Lawrence for the development of guidelines, which were initially used as a basis for our guidelines.

Additional thanks go to Cheryl Vertz for reformatting current listing and to Belinda Dow for providing an easy way to locate all the suggested materials in our SAM library.

SOLID BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF OUR MESSIANIC FUNDAMENTALS OF FAITH

_____ SAM's Statement of Faith – Be able to explain, compare, contrast and defend.
To assist in this Process, the following articles may be helpful.

And choose one of the following:

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_____ <http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/underlaw.pdf> (What does the Term “Under the Law” Mean?)

_____ <http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/works.pdf> (What does the Term “Works of the Law” Mean?)

_____ <http://www.hebrewroots.net/articles/gentiles-and-the-law/>, Natan Lawrence

HR

UNDERSTAND THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF YESHUA MESSIAH

Choose One

_____ ***More Than a Carpenter*** book by Josh McDowell

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_____ ***Yeshua – A Guide to the Real Jesus of the Original Church*** book by Ron Mosley

_____ ***Jesus, The Jewish Theologian*** book by Brad Young

_____ Teaching Articles by Na'tan Lawrence

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What Was Yeshua's View of the Torah – A Study of the Sermon on the Mount

<http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/yeshua.pdf>

What is the Meaning of the Gospel in its Hebrew Roots Context?

<http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/gospel.pdf>

_____ The Elijah Message – DVD, Eddie Chumney Highly recommended

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_____ ***Jesus, Man of Joy*** book by Sherwood Wirt

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_____ ***The God Who Smiles*** book by Sherwood Wirt

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SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND DISCIPLINES

In this area, please study at least one resource in each area of prayer, worship, fasting, mikveh, spiritual gifts.

_____ Worship:

Warren Wiersbe – *Worship: The Church’s Neglected Weapon*

CD in SAM

Parts 1 and 2 found on this page: <https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/worship.html>

Library

or his book – *Real Worship: Play Ground, Battle Ground or Holy Ground?*

_____ Prayer:

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My Utmost for His Highest, Oswald Chambers (Daily Devotional)

Ruined for the Ordinary book by Joy Dawson

Reclaiming Surrendered Ground: Protecting Your Family from Spiritual Attack book

SAM

by Jim Logan

Maturity in Prayer Life by Set Apart Ministries **CD**

SAM

<https://www.set-apart-ministries.org/worship.html>

in Library

The Difference between Personal and Corporate Prayers: Praying Alone and Praying with others article by B. Klika,

SAM

_____ *What’s So Spiritual about your Gifts?* Book and workbook by Henry Blackaby and son

SAM

_____ Mikveh:

Hale Harris - cassette tape The Mikveh

SAM

Rico Cortez - DVD Mikvah; A Hebraic Understanding of Biblical Immersion

SAM

_____ Fasting:

Fasting for Spiritual Breakthrough: A Practical Guide to Nine Biblical Fasts,

SAM

Book by Elder Towns

Other personally appropriate resources as suggested in consultation with SAM leadership.

DEVELOPMENT OF PERSONAL MATURITY

For local SAM members All items here are required to read or view, and participation in men's or ladies group is strongly recommended as it enhances learning in a way just viewing or reading material cannot do. All are available through SAM library for loan, or purchase may be arranged.

_____ **The Life Model: Living from the Heart Jesus Gave You: 15th anniversary edition**, James Wilder, PhD, et al

_____ Joy Bonds video series

_____ Reactivity video

_____ Boundaries video series and group

_____ Verbal Logical Explainer DVD

_____ Or **Outsmarting Yourself** book and DVD sample by Dr. Karl Lehman

_____ Share Immanuel booklet and/or training, Dr. Karl Lehman, James E. Wilder, PhD

_____ **Sons of Zadok** book by Dr. C.R. Oliver

Other personally appropriate resources as suggested in consultation with SAM leadership.

PROPHETIC IMPLICATIONS OF HEBREW ROOTS OR MESSIANIC ISRAEL MOVEMENT

Choose one

_____ A foundational Torah Study as recommended by SAM, <http://torahclass.com>, Tom Bradford

_____ "The Quiet Revival" booklet or

Heb R & SAM

<http://www.hebrewroots.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/The-Quiet-Revival.pdf>

_____ Teaching Articles by Na'tan Lawrence

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Is the Messianic Israel Movement Cultic or Is Christianity the Real Cult?

<http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/cultic.pdf>

The Olive Tree – The Roots and Branches of our Faith,

<http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/olivetree.pdf>

What are the Prophetic Implications of the Hebrew Roots/Messianic Movement?

<http://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/propho.pdf>

SALVATION

Choose One

_____ Salvation: Parts 1 and 2 by Brad Scott

WB & SAM

_____ Teaching Articles by Na'tan Lawrence

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Salvation, What is it and Do You have it

The Abrahamic Covenant: The Covenant of Salvation

The Tabernacle of Moses: YHWH's Pattern of Salvation for Mankind
Jacob's Ladder: YHWH's Plan of Salvation from Genesis to Revelation – The BIG Picture
The Atonement: Bloody or Bloodless?

BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE CENTRALITY OF THE TORAH IN ALL OF SCRIPTURE AND THE ROLE AND PURPOSE OF THE TORAH IN A BELIEVER'S LIFE

Choose One

_____ ***Torah Rediscovered***; Fifth Edition, book by Ariel Berkowitz (Highly recommended!)

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_____ ***They Loved the Torah*** book by David Friedman

_____ ***Take Hold*** book by Ariel Berkowitz

_____ Teaching Articles by Na'tan Lawrence

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The Abrahamic Covenant: The Covenant of Salvation

Torah: What Parts Fulfilled In Yeshua, If Any?

Hold Onto Torah – It Will Keep and Protect You Through Life

Did the Torah law Exist before Moses and Mount Sinai?

The Rest of the Story: Often Quoted Biblical Passages that have been Taken out of
Context

(by Christian Theologians) and Purged of their Pro-Torah Intent

_____ ***To Be a Jew*** book by Rabbi Hayim Halevy Donin

BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE FEAST DAYS

Choose One

_____ ***Family Guide to Biblical Holidays*** book by Robin Sampson

SAM

OR

_____ Articles:

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How Yeshua Fulfilled the Passover

Why Celebrate the Passover

Passover – When to Celebrate It

The Feast of Unleavened Bread The Wavesheaf Offering and Resurrection of Yeshua

Wavesheaf Sunday, the First Week of the Count of the Omer and Yeshua's Ascension

Pentecost, the Feast of Weeks – From Mount Sinai to the Upper Room, From

Faithlessness to Miraculous Empowerment

Yom Teruah, the Day of the Awakening Blast – the Historical Roots of Our Faith,
Present

Relevance for Believers and End Time Prophetic Implications

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement – The Historical Roots of Our Faith, Present

Relevance for Believers and End Time Prophetic Implications

Sukkot: The Season of Our Joy, the Feast of Tabernacles – The Historical Roots of Our Faith, Present Relevance for Believers and End Time Prophetic Implications

Shemini Atzeret, The Eighth Day

UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS TO BE RIGHTEOUS

Choose One

_____ **Holiness and Righteousness: The Regal Pair** book by C.R. Oliver
SAM

_____ *Believers Guide to Complete Righteousness* booklet by D. Wheelock
Heb R

_____ <http://www.hebrewroots.net/articles/preparing-the-bride/>

_____ Teaching Article by Na'tan Lawrence

Instruction in Righteousness of YHWH: A Messianic

UNDERSTAND AND OBSERVE BIBLICAL DIETARY LAWS

Choose One

_____ **Holy Cow! Does God Care about what we eat?** book by Hope Egan
SAM

_____ *To Eat or Not to Eat?* booklet by Dean and Susan Wheelock

Heb R & SAM

Online at <http://www.hebrewroots.net/articles/preparing-the-bride/>

_____ Teaching Article by Na'tan Lawrence

Food for Thought – The Heart and Spirit Behind the Biblical Kosher Laws

HR & SAM

_____ Clearing up concerns about our Food Supply by Barb and Bob Klika

www.set-apart-ministries.org Articles page

AND Concerns about our Food Supply – Recent Questions Addressed (June 2010)

by Robert D. Klika, B.S., of Set Apart Ministries, Inc., www.set-apart-ministries.org

UNDERSTAND THE BIBLICAL CALENDAR AND BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONTROVERSIES

SURROUNDING INTERPRETATION

Choose One

_____ Collection of relevant articles in SAM Library
SAM

_____ Teaching Article by Na'tan Lawrence

HR

The Biblical Calendar and the New Moon

_____ *Time: The Creator's Calendar* video
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KNOWLEDGE OF BASIC RULES OF BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION/HERMENEUTICS AND THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE A WORD STUDY

All are strongly recommended for local community:

_____ ***How to Study the Bible*** book by Kay Arthur
SAM

_____ Biblical Hermeneutics: The Rules of Biblical Interpretation (includes PRDeS)
HR
<https://www.hoshanarabbah.org/pdfs/pardes-revised.pdf>

OR

_____ *Paradise or Pair of Dice?* PRDS booklet by Frank Houtz
SAM

_____ Is "Good and Evil" a Biblical Merism?
SAM

_____ <http://biblicalanthropology.blogspot.com/2013/08/is-good-and-evil-biblical-merism.html>
_____ Thematic Study materials from Tony Robinson – entire commentary/year course
RT

_____ Hebrew Mind vs Greek Mind by Brad Scott
WB

_____ <http://www.wildbranch.org/teachings/hebrew-greek-mind/lesson1.html>
This is the first lesson of an entire course on the subject: Difference between Hebrew and Greek thinking

_____ My Big Fat Greek Mindset by Tim Hegg
TR

_____ ***Restoring the Jewishness of The Gospel*** book by David Stern
SAM

STUDY REGARDING TRUSTWORTHINESS OF ALL OF SCRIPTURE

_____ Teaching Article by Na'tan Lawrence
Can You Trust the New Testament Canon as YHWH's Divine Word?
HR

MESSIANIC/BIBLICAL MARRIAGE CUSTOMS

Choose One

- _____ Understand the steps of a Jewish/Biblical Wedding Ceremony
_____ "Beloved Thief" video from Zola Levvitt Ministries
 SAM
_____ ***Who is the Bride of Christ?*** Online/book by Eddie Chumney
 SAM

BASIC KNOWLEDGE/OVERVIEW OF JEWISH/BIBLICAL HISTORY

Choose One

A written summary of the main points is needed here for local community.

- _____ *Heritage and Civilization of the Jews* video series by Abba Ebben (VHS)
 SAM
 9-hour overview...Secular Jewish perspective but videography is helpful.
_____ *Ancient History: Adam to Messiah* pp. 48-100, 296-462 by Robin Sampson,
 SAM
 in ***Family Guide to Biblical Holidays*** book

BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE TABERNACLE

- _____ Read: Na'tan Lawrence teaching article –
 The Tabernacle of Moses: YHWH's Pattern of Salvation for Mankind
 SAM
_____ <http://www.the-tabernacle-place.com/>
_____ *Diagram the Tabernacle, explain each of the furnishings of the Tabernacle and relate each aspect of the furnishings and main service to the Redemptive work of Yeshua.*

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH HISTORY AND THEOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT – TO THE PRESENT TIME

Choose One

- _____ ***Halley's Bible Handbook*** Church History Chapter by Henry Halley
 SAM
 *Preferably an edition prior to 1990
_____ ***Exploring the Christian Faith*** Chapter 30 by J.I. Packer
_____ Study and be familiar with Timeline: **Where is the Faith given Once for all to the Saints?**
 SAM

BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE SEPARATION OF THE EARLY CHURCH FROM its HEBREW ROOTS

Choose One

- _____ Teaching Article by Na'tan Lawrence
How the Church Divorced itself from its Hebrew Root
HR & SAM
- _____ *Our Father Abraham* book by Marvin R. Wilson
SAM

BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF PAGAN INFLUENCE IN CHRISTIANITY

- _____ *Too Long in the Sun* book by Richard Rives? Tubesing?
SAM
- _____ NEW versions of Sunburned video/ re: Christmas and Easter
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BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE WRITINGS AND THEOLOGY OF SHA'UL/PAUL

Choose One

- _____ Teaching Articles by Na'tan Lawrence
HR & SAM
Galatians: Explanations of Difficult Words and Phrases
The Apostle Sha'ul/(Paul) – an Orthodox, Torah Obedient, Messianic, Jewish “Rabbi”
Sha'ul (Paul) Was One of the Good Pharisees
What does the Term “Under the Law” mean?
What does the Term “Works of the Law” mean?
- _____ *The Pauline Paradox Series* video and transcript
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(The following books are in depth level and not required for local community – Bar/Bat Mitzvah but strongly recommended for anyone who expects to be talking with Jewish people about the matters.)

- _____ *Paul, the Jewish Theologian* book by Brad Young
- _____ *The Letter Writer – Paul's Background and Torah Perspective* book by Tim Hegg
SAM
- _____ *A Jewish Commentary on Romans* book by Joseph Shulam
SAM

BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE RESTORATION OF THE TWO HOUSES OF ISRAEL

Choose One

_____ **Israel: Redeemed and Restored** book and DVD by Batya Wootten

SAM

_____ Teaching article/commentary by Na'tan Lawrence

SAM

Joseph and Judah: Two Brothers and the Two Houses of Israel in End Time Prophecies,
Return of the Lost Sheep of Israel

BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE END TIMES AND THE KINGDOM OF ELOHIM

Choose One

_____ <https://www.torahclass.com/teacher/author/tom-bradford/new-testament-studies/new-testament-revelation>, Tom Bradford

TC

1 hour Intro Lesson for overview

_____ Teaching Articles by Na'tan Lawrence

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The Tribulation, the Great Tribulation & the Wrath of Elohim

Secular Humanism:

_____ End of Days Series – *Using the dark moon to count cycles*

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NOTE: *The following study includes Jubilee cycle*

_____ Daniel's Timeline, <https://www.danielstimeline.com/>

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Communications

The SAM telephone number is (920) 634-2760. Barb usually carries the phone so is available from home as well as when at the office. **This number is always available to share with others.**

We have maintained a list of every participant's telephone numbers, and postal addresses at the office.

Barb is the only one who sees any of the emails directed to SAM. If there is a communication that she wants accountability about for one reason or another, she will copy to Janell.

We use BCC most of the time in order to protect contact information and avoid additional spamming.

info@set-apart-ministries.org is the general SAM email that is listed on the website for general inquiries and new people; and when I am sending out invitations or information to a general group. **This email is always open to share with others.**

There is a secondary SAM email listed that is encrypted if anyone prefers that: **SAMwis2@hushmail.com** I am transitioning my coaching clients to this one so I check this fairly often.

Barbara@Christian-Transitions.com was solely for my coaching clients communications, still there but not used while transitioning out of it.

bklika@hushmail.com This is my personal email and where I most often communicate with SAM members for prayer requests and general information. It has the encryption option.

Occasionally, there are more sensitive subjects that I will only send to those who have encrypted email addresses.

Barb deals with work on the website and our limited FB page. We do not encourage personal information being provided in any social media.

Our mailing address for SAM, which is also listed on our website, is: **Set Apart Ministries, P. O. Box 5584, De Pere, WI 54115** We do not use the physical location of the office for mailing.

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SAM Prayer Requests

Periodically, Barb compiles listings of prayer requests from our local members, our “extended SAM family” and those family and friends near to us and of concern. If you’d like to include a prayer request, please email or call her with the information. We ask that these prayer requests be kept to those directly receiving them. If there is someone you’d like to include, please check with Barb or Janell. We very much appreciate all those who are willing to join us in prayer as the needs are great!

Guidelines for SAM Mentoring

It seems thus far that YHWH has made it clear to us when and who is needed to function as a mentor for our newer people. We are working on guidelines as we go. Thus far, here is our direction.

Mentor

Be available for questions, comments, concerns.

Know when and where to refer for assistance with something with which you are not familiar, rather than guessing.

Be aware of and deflect and address any Drama Triangle patterns of behavior.

Be watchful for any comments, behaviors that seem to indicate discomfort or confusion, and address as soon as possible.

Participant

We are a Torah observant community so we would ask that regular attenders are in the process of observing dietary guidelines and Shabbat and *Moedim*/Appointed Times/Feast Days as they walk with us. We recognize that obedience to Torah--and Messiah Yeshua is BOTH the written and the Living Torah--is our first goal. The secondary concern is recognition of our *halachah*/the way we walk together as a community. We teach both Papa’s and Mama’s Torah and we encourage participants to be involved in both aspects.

We appreciate your full participation in all of our gatherings, as well as set up and take down--though we try to minimize any “work” on Shabbat--which includes personal preparation for worship and study. We recognize that guests may or may not be involved with the preparations.

When Skyping, we appreciate using the mute button until speaking, and do want to know who is participating online, without “shadow” participants.

When included in our email prayer requests, we ask that you do not forward them to people outside our SAM community. If there is someone you'd like to include, please check with Barb.

Please ask questions of our leaders or your mentor if anything seems confusing! We'd really rather hear and address them than leave someone in confusion!

Please take some time to familiarize yourself with our online website materials if and when you are able.

Please take advantage of our library resource materials and just ask if you need help finding information. Our Study Guide is a helpful resource as one is making the re evaluation of coming into Torah pursuance which we strongly encourage people to check out!