

# YAIY NEWS



## Olive Oil and the Spiritual Anointing

It must have been quite the sight to see the anointing of Aaron (Lev 8:12) as the oil from inside the horn was poured out over his head and it slowly streamed down the sides of his beard. Beautiful is the description that has been brought so vividly down through the ages to our own in the book of Psalms:

*“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron’s beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there YAHWEH commanded the blessing, even life for evermore,”* Ps 133:1-3.

Anointings with oil have occurred in the past (Ex 28:41) and are still occurring today with prayer, for the reason of setting apart an individual for a special purpose. Elders are set apart for the spiritual ministry, and leadership of the assembly, with oil. While deacons receive only the laying on of hands and prayer, they are still set apart for a special service of the physical needs of brethren and work in general, Acts 6:1-6.

The laying on of hands after baptism is, interestingly enough, done without oil. The Spirit of Yahweh seals, and in a sense, anoints the individual (Luke 4:18; Acts 10:38), setting him or her apart as a special person in the family of Yahweh (1John 2:20, 27), most notably the collective bride who is preparing herself for Yahshua’s return, Rev 19:7.

### Other Uses

Olive oil was typically the oil used in ancient times by the Israelites (Ps 23:5; 92:10), and is still in use today for anointing individuals per the commandments where it is called for, Mark 6:13. Stone olive presses were a common find for archeologists in the Middle East, and there are olive trees still standing in and around Jerusalem that are thought to be at least 1000-years old, if not older. They are one of the few types of trees that last so long in nature.

The olive tree is actually defined symbolically as the commonwealth of Israel, that is, the whole house of Israel and not just Judah alone. The Apostle Paul wrote under inspiration of the Spirit that, we today, being like wild olive branches, can be grafted into the olive tree and be a part of the family of Israel, Jer 11:16-17; Eph 2:12-13. These, if they overcome to the end, will be the Spiritual bride of Yahshua the Messiah at His return.

The northern 10 tribes were dispersed throughout the nations (sometimes described as “Gentiles” ) and became the lost sheep of the house of Israel, that is,

Now it is Yahweh who makes both us and you stand firm in Messiah. He anointed us, set His seal of ownership on us, and put His Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come,

— 2 Cor 1:21-22 NIV

**Thou lovest  
righteousness, and  
hatest wickedness:  
therefore Elohim, thy  
Elohim, hath anointed  
thee with the oil of glad-  
ness above thy fellows,**  
— Ps 45: 7.

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the wild olive branches, Rom 9:4; 11:1, 17.

They, along with the dispersion of Judah, are slowly being brought back into the family by being grafted back in. Yahweh will eventually bring both back into the land of Israel, Jer 33:24; Ezek 37:15-28.

The oil from the fruit of the olive trees is precious and has been used for centuries for cooking, lighting lamps, heating, and as already seen, anointing for setting apart individuals. In a very real and symbolic way it is also for the healing of the nations. The anointing with oil is called for by Yahweh when someone is sick and seeking healing, James 5:13-20; Mark 6:13. Healing is available to us because Yahshua gave His life for us:

*"...He (Yahshua) was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed,"* Isa 53:5.

### Symbolic and Literal

There is much that can be said of oil, but one often overlooked aspect of oil is its rich symbolic nature, even being described like a name in Song of Solomon. Not just any name, however, but a subtle allusion to Yahweh's Name in which the maidens love, Sol 1:3.

The bridesmaids or virgins are described by Yahshua in a parable, in which oil is mentioned. The wise virgins had this special oil for their lamps, but the foolish virgins' lamps didn't have enough oil and the door was shut on them and they could not come in for the wedding. The wise virgins are not the bride, but they are at the wedding feast in the coming Kingdom.

As Scripture says, there's a physical people that will be brought through the tribulation and into the Kingdom. They are also said to be calling on the Name of Yahweh when they do. Evidently, the future bride of Yahshua has been proclaiming it to them. Yahweh says they will also be His people, and He will be their Elohim, Zech 13:9; Ezek 20:33. They too may receive a spiritual anointing in the future when a new heaven and a new earth are created:

*"... according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,"* 2 Pet 3:13 NASU.

Elder David Brett

## YAIY Website Report for 2008

Yahweh has indeed continued to bless our website ministry. In 2008 our main website at [www.yaiy.org](http://www.yaiy.org) had over 43,000 hits; that's an average of 118 hits per day! Likewise our Kids for Yah, Sisters for Yah and New Moon Report websites saw encouraging increases in web traffic. Our "Ask the Elders" discussion forum, at [www.yaiy.info](http://www.yaiy.info), has grown from 24 members to 87 this past year.

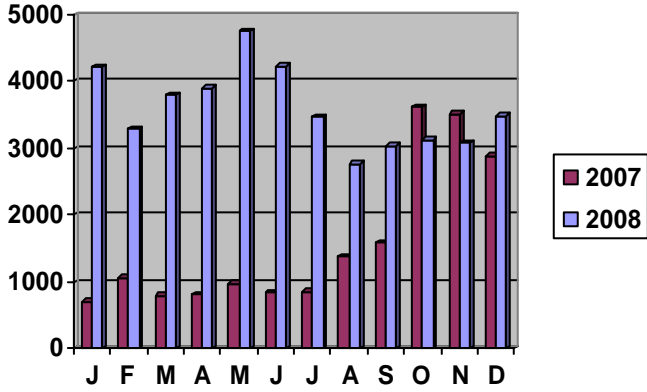
As Yahweh enables us to expand our websites regularly with new messages, literature, newsletters, Revealing the Truth programs, music, photos, and more, we pray those called will take advantage of these on-line resources. We recently added an Outreach Ministry page where visitors can keep up-to-date on YAIY's global outreach to believers. We are also actively adding Foreign Translation literature to the main website (we currently have literature in ten languages). In addition to over 80 Bible study literature pages and over 160 downloadable messages our Website visitors can take advantage of our newsletter and Beacon Magazine archives where current and previous articles can be viewed and studied. Additional on-line Bible Study Aids are being designed and will be added to the website soon.

In 2009 we plan to continue adding messages, studies and more to our websites. We also plan on launching our Teens for Yah website and our Bible Correspondence Course.

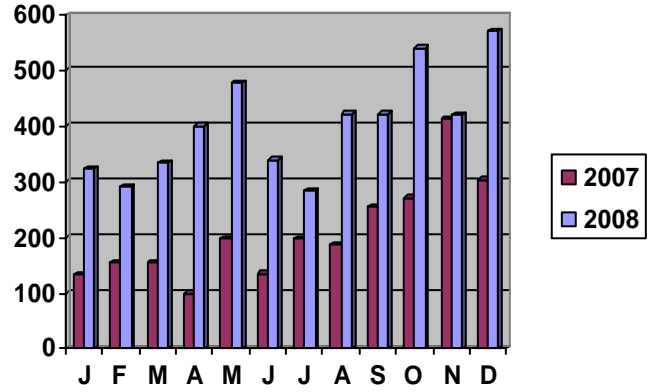
Praise Yahweh for His blessings on our websites and may these resources be helpful during your spiritual walk.

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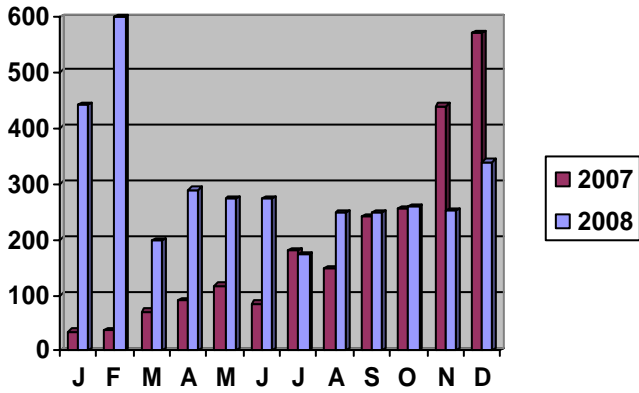
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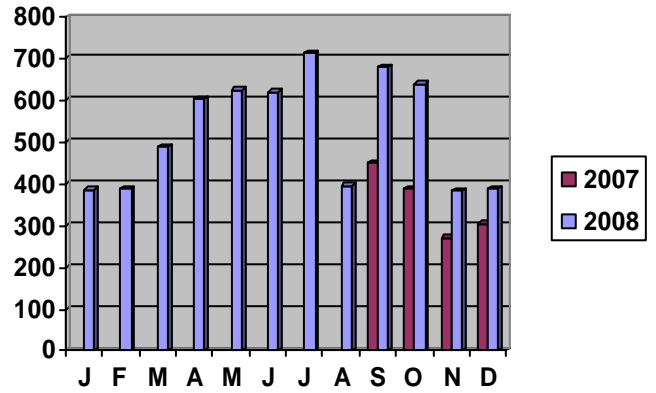
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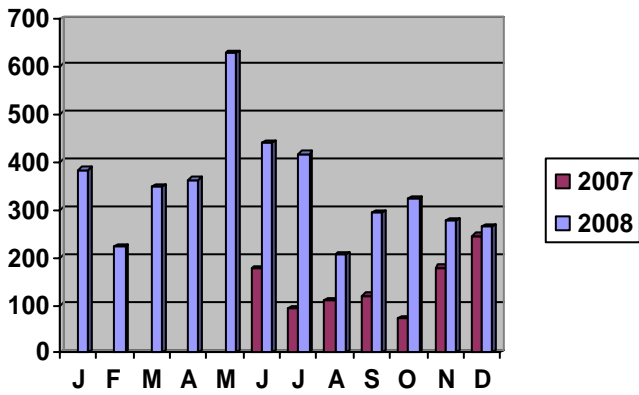
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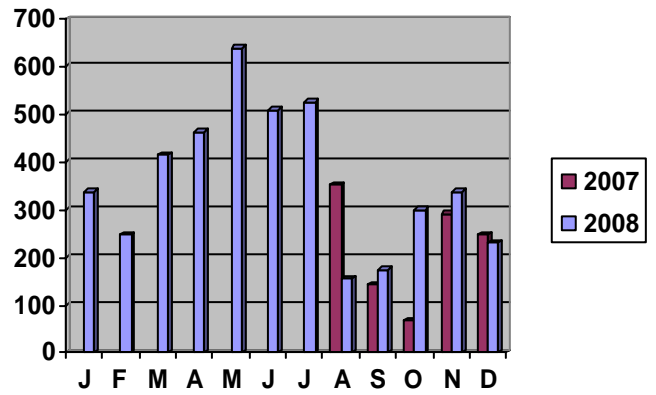
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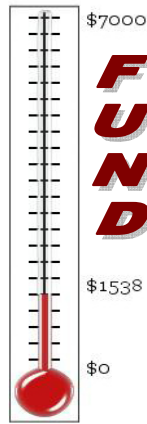


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*"...lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal"*

— Matthew 6:20

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## The Great Depression of 1873?

When commentators invoke [The Great Depression of] 1929, I am dubious. According to most historians and economists, that depression had more to do with overlarge factory inventories, a stock-market crash, and Germany's inability to pay back war debts, which then led to continuing strain on British gold reserves. None of those factors is really an issue now. Contemporary industries have very sensitive controls for trimming production as consumption declines; our current stock-market dip followed bank problems that emerged more than a year ago; and there are no serious international problems with gold reserves, simply because banks no longer peg their lending to them.

In fact, the current economic woes look a lot like what my 96-year-old grandmother still calls "the real Great Depression." She pinched pennies in the 1930s, but she says that times were not nearly so bad as the depression her grandparents went through. That crash came in 1873 and lasted more than four years. It looks much more like our current crisis.

— Excerpt from the article entitled, The Real Great Depression, By PROFESSOR SCOTT REYNOLDS NELSON  
The Chronicle Review (Volume 55, Issue 8, Page B98). See also: Chronicle Review.com

## Prayer List

Elder Dick Vaow, Hap Tew, Alice Findling, Cindy Gustke and Family, Michelle Love & Family, Jewell Holt, Dolores Parker, Elder Don & Mil Mansager, Florencia Vergara, Leah Villas, Maxine Conrad, Angela Rivers, Patricia Prince, Elder K. Cornelius, Sharon Grobler, Terrell Frasure, Donald Appling, Lois McDonald, Theodore Johnson, Robert Zimmer, David Miller, Leslie Silva & Family, Robert Price, Clemencia Thomas, Shirley Ammons, The Curtis Tucker Family, Michael Shively, Wynona Smith, Nadilie Smith, Lisa Jenkins, Jean Hannah, Chandra Baker, Robert J. Tsaku, Jai'netra Burgo, Laura Shafer, Dale Little, Manuel Longoria, Beth Watson, Yliyah Extra Chazak Family and Friends, Charmaine Potgieter, Beverly Filbertson, David & Barbara Creel, Renee McKinsey, Dennis Blackburn, Eugene Atencio, Mitch Morrolf, Keith & Mez Perkins, Dennis Blackburn, Vincent Gay, Editha Wayland, Liz Wayland, Bernadine Andrew, David Jones, Larry Skinner, Deborah De Brael, Charlie Pelton, Bill Jackson, William Patrach's Family, Ray Gibson, Lindy (?), Ratna Paul, Mark Philips, Ronette Smyth Family, Brenda Lewis, Gary & Lanai Dubois, Mike Matney, Tami Lanphere, Dave McCoy, Brethren around the world, and peace for Jerusalem.

*"Is anyone among you sick? Then he must call for the elders of the assembly and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Master." —James 5:13*