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# YAIY NEWS



### Assembly in Focus: Philadelphia

**Philadelphia** (brotherly love) – 1800 AD - Tribulation

Situated in Lydia, on the Cogamus river and is 28 miles southeast of Sardis, near Alasehir (red city), Turkey today. It was located in a fertile area recognized for agricultural products but was affected by earthquakes which destroyed the city several times, most recently around 37 AD. Ancient volcanic activity left the area with rich red top soil that is friendly to vineyards. In 189 BC, the city was built by King Attalus Philadelphus, who named it for his love and loyalty to his brother Eumenes. Philadelphia housed temples of Artemis, Helios, Zeus, Dionysus and Aphrodite. Philadelphia was located near the entrance to the mountains leading to Annatolia and was a dangerous place to live due to significant seismic activity experienced in the region. Because of the ongoing earthquake threat, many of the inhabitants chose to live in huts outside the city in the open country.

Philadelphia was not a wealthy, cultured or influential city. It was located on an easily defensible hill side and near a main Roman/Persian thorough-fare. The location functioned as an outpost to spread Greek and Roman culture, as well as the good news of the Messiah to the surrounding populations. As in many Asia Minor cities, many Jews lived there. The assembly in Philadelphia, like the assembly in Smyrna, had apparently been expelled from the Jewish community. Philadelphia believers seemed to stand alone as a faithful community. In the 14<sup>th</sup> century, the Seljuk Turks laid siege on the city and brutally killed every follower of Yahshua within its walls. Today, although several red brick pillars from an original church still stand, there isn't much left of ancient Philadelphia.

Rev. 3:7-13 – Assembly of Philadelphia – endure patiently, small and faithful, vs. 10.



## Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua

"YAHWEH, the Elohim of your fathers—the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac and the Elohim of Jacob—
..."This is My Name forever, the Name you shall call Me from generation to generation.

Exodus 3:15b NIV



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#### Assembly in Focus: Philadelphia...cont.

Salutation	Vs 7 – He that is holy, true & has key of David, opens and no man can shut Isa. 22:15-22 – key of David (to Jerusalem), taken from Shebna & given to Eliakim, access King's wealth, Yahshua decides access, key=authority – admit royal presence, understanding, truth & spirit
	• Matt. 25:31-40 – brotherly love – help one another
	• Psalm 22 – all – vs. 14-18=key of David, Lk 11:52-54 – key of knowledge
	• Rev. 1:18 – keys of the grave
	• Dan. 14:4, 9 – shut up until the end
	• Col. 4:3 – open door of the word, cannot be shut – Rev 4:1- open door
	• Rev. 4:1-2 – open door to Throne in heaven, Holy Place and Holy of Holies
Assets	Vs 8 – Jo 4:24 - favored, holding to the truth - spiritually solid, an open door that no man can shut
	• John 10:7-9 – Yahshua is the door, a little strength, true to Yahweh's word
	• John 17:17 – word is truth, knows Yahweh's name
	• Matt.13:13-17 – ears to hear & eyes to see
	Acts 2:21, Joel 2:32 – call on name of Yahweh
	Vs 9 – Winning over some Jewish converts, worship before your feet  ■ Mal. 4:1-6 – I have loved you
Liabilities	None given
Rebuke	None given
Exhortation	Vs 10 – kept the word of my patience = patience continuance, cheerful, hopeful endurance – Rev. 13:5-10, Rev. 14:9-12 Vs 11 – hold fast what you have, don't let anyone take it, Heb. 3:6, 4:14, 10:23
Reward	Vs 10 – kept from hour (season/time) of temptation (test/adversity)
	Vs 10 - Rev. 12:13-14, Matt. 24:44-46 – protection, but stay prepared
	Rev 12:14 - great eagle – Ex. 19:4, Deut. 32:11-12
	Vs 12 – A pillar in the temple, 1 King 7:21 Boaz and Jachin Vs 12 – go no more out – leaving city because of earthquakes – see introduction
	Vs 12 – write on him Yahweh's name & the name of new Jerusalem
Post Script	Vs 12 – a new personal name – Rev. 2:17  Vs 13 – He that has an ear
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- Attributes favored, holding to the truth, spiritually solid John 4:24
- Anthony Groves (Plymouth England), John Darby (Ireland) initiate non-Nicolaitan meeting structure, Spirit teaches
- Parable Matt. 13:45-46 pearl of great price
- Paul's epistle Thessalonians, 1 Thess. 4:16-17 return of Yahshua, resurrection of first fruits, faith fullness to Yahshua, maintaining preparedness for His return



#### Question and Answer

**Q:** Are we allowed to say glory or glorious, glorify? Do we say this word, since it means "esteem," "extol," "praise," "honor," etc.? Are we allowed to say the word "grace" because it is a Greek word meaning "nude woman." Should we use the word "favour" instead?

**A:** Thanks for the questions. Our guide is Scripture. Everything that we've been able to find indicates that speaking words in and of themselves to communicate are just fine. However, when we take false titles/ names or inappropriate words to describe the heavenly Father...then, there is a problem. The following is what we've found in Scripture on the matter, taken from the YAIY Quick Bible Verses booklet:

Genesis 11:7 Different languages spoken.

Genesis 41:45 Joseph's name was changed.

**Ex. 23:13; Joshua 23:7; Ps. 16:4** Do not lift up pagan gods.

Deuteronomy 12:3 No other mighty ones names before us.

**Deuteronomy 18:20** Penalty for prophesying in false names.

Joshua 23:7 No mention of other mighty ones in worship.

Judges 6:32, 7:1 Gideon renamed; didn't object.

1 Kings 18:21 Elijah spoke the name Baal.

**Psalm 16:4** No mention of other mighty ones in worship.

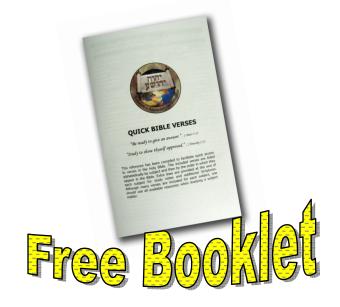
Isaiah 6:5-7 Our lips can be made clean.

Daniel 1:7 Daniel's name was changed.

Hosea 2:16-17 No longer call upon their names.

Acts 2:8-9 Different languages spoken/heard.

1 Corinthians 8:5 Many "gods"/many "lords" (KJV).



The usage of words like "grace" and "glory" seem innocent enough, and we typically understand the meaning of these in our vernacular. But when using words which actually cover up the Proper Noun of Yahweh, such as, "LORD" in all caps, as mentioned, we have a problem. So, we've done the best we can to restore and give proper respect and honor to both the Father and the Son, but we will always have a language that is riddled with pagan origins and/or various meanings.

For example, the word "on" was a pagan diety, Gen. 41:45. However, we say, "turn on the light" and it is never our intention to give honor to the deity "on." Words and meanings of the words change over time. The word "gay" for example, as we know, means something totally different today than what it meant just 50 years ago.

Hope this helps some. It's easy to get caught up in all of the words and their origins, but if we go too far with it we won't be able to communicate. Only when Yahweh restores the language in the Kingdom will we have a pure language, once again. "For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language, that they all may call on the Name of Yahweh, to serve Him with one accord," Zeph. 3:8 NKJV.

Most reject calling the Father by anything else than the titles they've become accustomed to, but that will change when the original language is restored to all peoples. Right now, we do the best to restore the Sacred Names, as they NEVER should have been changed and covered up like they were.

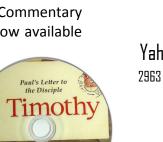


#### New Scripture Reading/Commentary DVDs

We are producing more DVDs of the Scripture/Commentary Readings, which we started doing about a year ago. Now available for ordering:

#### 1 & 2 Timothy **Titus** 1 & 2 Thessalonians

....More available soon from the Old Testament!



Paul's Letter to



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#### YAIY's Main Website Gets a Facelift

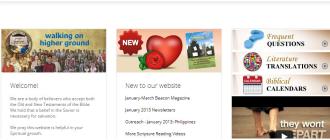
Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua has received a new facelift to YAIY.org, the main website which serves the brethren and others who are searching for scripturally sound truth.

It's good news for all those with the latest iPads, phones, and other gadgets, which have access to the Internet. The visually pleasing and functional updated platform will help navigation to deeper study.

The other main pages within the website will also be updated with time and with a wider stance for the newer widescreen monitors.

We thank everyone for their patience as we have been incorporating the improvements from the advise, suggestions, and comments we've received over the last few months.





#### **Prayer List**

Elder Dick Vaow, Hap Tew, Michelle Love and Family, Jewell Holt, Dolores Parker, Maxine Conrad, Terrell Frasure, Lois McDonald, David & Barbara Creel, David Jones Jr. and Family, Charlie Pelton, Robert Dorchester, Dries Van Zyl, Daphne Griffith and Family, Donald Carringer, Clare Kane, R.C. Fernald Family/Friends, Robert and Patricia Potter, Manuel Longoria and Family, Gary & Lanai DuBois, Donnie and Roland Miller, Serena & Sonya Siangco, Glen Jones, Carrol Isdell and Family, Bonnie Merryman, Gerald Bennett and Family, Paul Oliver, Collette Jazaerli, Dirk Coetzee, Elsie du Plessis, Garry Rivers and Family/Friends, Sandra Gets, Jim Colletti and Family, Dan and Geri O'leary, Karen van Schalkwyk, Kay Manning, Kent Hovind, Claire and Albert Hendricks, Aaron Garner and Family, Solofonirina Ramanamahenina Justine, Rasolofonjatovo Elie Jasmin, Oliver Lister and family, Frances Rodgers and Family, Diana Abbot, Loveness Banda, Sharon Grobler, Josuea Williams, Seth Tao Moore, Brenda Berry, Elder Ophar Family, Michael Johnson, Peter Sill, Terrence Williamson, Ingerborg Hendricks, Sarel Pretorius, Stella & Sean Rogers, Loretta Reyes and Family, brethren and believers around the world, Jerusalem and the those in Israel at this time who love an seek the Elohim of Israel.