

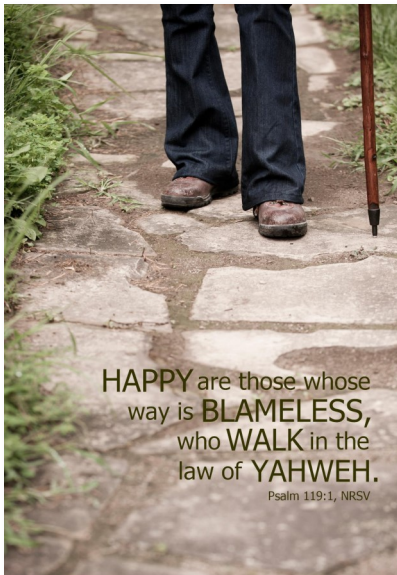
# YAIY NEWS



## Pastoral Epistles for Today

In thinking about helping overseas brethren and the Assemblies which have been newly established these last few years, we can think about what is important for these Assemblies to thrive. Yes, they need nurturing and overall loving support, both physically and spiritually.

But one of the most important priorities is to have the teachings correct with sound doctrines according to the Word of Yahweh. This means, having ***Fundamentals of Faith***, which are agreed upon as Salvational issues even before one is baptized.



We are not eager to lay hands on anyone, unless they are able to discern right from wrong on the most basic tenants. Those who appear to be worthy of leadership positions should be above reproach as 1 Timothy and Titus both teach.

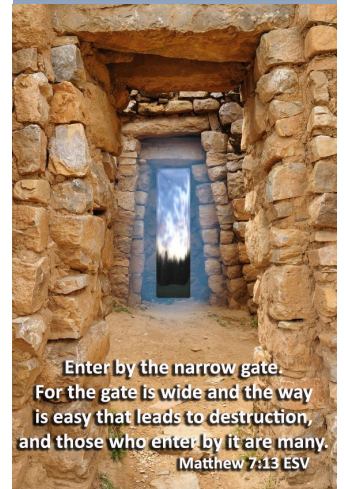
Completing the ***YAIY Bible Correspondence Course*** is a must for leaders to pass and thoroughly understand so they can teach and maintain correct teachings, even rebuking those who would oppose. This is not our teaching alone, these are the teachings found in Scripture. Specifically, the Pastoral Epistles are noteworthy as a review of how an assembly should operate.

Here are some highlights, from those letters. The Apostle Paul emphasizing, the teachings are to be closely guarded:

- 1 **Timothy 1:3** *As I urged you upon my departure for Macedonia, remain on at Ephesus so that you may instruct certain men not to teach strange doctrines. **New American Standard Bible** used throughout.*
- 1 **Timothy 4:6** *In pointing out these things to the brethren, you will be a good servant of Messiah Yahshua, constantly nourished on the Words of the faith and of the sound doctrine which you have been following.*
- 1 **Timothy 4:13** *Until I come, give attention to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation and teaching.*
- 1 **Timothy 5:20** *Those who continue in sin, rebuke in the presence of all, so that the rest also will be fearful of sinning.*
- 2 **Timothy 1:3a** *I thank Elohim, whom I serve with a clear conscience The Way my forefathers did... (see Gen. 26:5).*
- 2 **Timothy 2:15** *Be diligent to present yourself approved to Elohim as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the*

No one who is born of Elohim will continue to sin, because Elohim's seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of Elohim. This is how we know who the children of Elohim are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not Elohim's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister.

1 John 3:9–10 NIV



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## Pastoral Epistles for Today ...,cont.

### Word of Truth.

**2 Timothy 3:16–17** All Scripture is inspired by Elohim and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of Elohim may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

**2 Timothy 4:2–3** *Preach the Word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires.*

**Titus 1:9** holding fast the faithful Word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict.

**Titus 2:1** *As for you, speak the things which are fitting for sound doctrine.*

**Titus 2:14** *Who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.*

**Titus 3:1** *Remind them to be subject to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good deed.*

## Shipping & Flying Directly

We were very pleased to have had Bibles (with the restored Names of both the Father and the Son) donated for these newly formed Assemblies, specifically, in Africa, who otherwise would not be able to afford their own. Growth has been tremendous in the west, east, and south of Africa of those understanding the Truth.

We want to openly thank the *Assembly of Yahweh* in Eaton Rapids, MI, for their donation of cases of **The Word of Yahweh** outreach Bibles. We are also pleased to have had cases of the outreach version of the **Restoration Study Bibles** donated by *Yahweh's Restoration Ministry* located in Holts Summit, MO.

It has taken some doing on our part, but we have started shipping in a much larger capacity overseas, shipping via cargo ship, besides sending individual double-walled boxes through the postal service.

However, this month, through a discounted airfare package worked out by *Yahweh's Philadelphia's Truth Congregation* in Lebanon, PA., I'm flying in with Elder Robert Davis and taking 100 pounds of Bibles in two checked suitcases. The price for the airfare is equivalent to sending the same amount of Bibles via postal service, but which gives the added benefit of speaking directly with the Elders coming in from the surrounding countries of Congo, Uganda, Burundi, Ethiopia and Mozambique for a week-long meeting in Nairobi, Kenya.



## Big Step to Lowering Shipping Costs

In thinking about the growth and how to limit further costs in shipping, *Yahweh's Philadelphia's Truth Congregation* is tentatively planning on purchasing the exact same printer we have here (we have already found one recently off-lease in Nairobi), for the express purpose of printing literature there as a central distribution point for Africa.

This is a BIG step forward in making sure that the Word continues with much less costs in shipping. We have thought for some time that for those areas that can, they should print from their own location to meet the needs of reaching out and supplying sound uncompromising doctrine in written form.

In all of this, we thank Yahweh for His provisions. We also thank Yahweh for opening up the doors for further cooperation to help promote Yahweh's Good News of His coming Kingdom with Yahshua the Messiah, as King of kings.

All, at that time, will then come up to worship and learn of Yahweh's Way, Path, and Law. Even now, there are those coming out of the world and learning to prepare for what is forthcoming. And that is a very good thing to anticipate. Please keep us and the other Assemblies around the world in prayer.

## YAIY Alms Missionary Support

As we reach out here in this country and overseas, there will inevitably be those with spiritual needs as well as physical. We realize that the spiritual needs have been met for the most part, while the requests for physical help has gone mostly unanswered.

We have tried to make sure that the first tithe and offerings coming in, go to providing for the spiritual food and growth for the body of Messiah (see our booklet, *The Temple Tenth*). We also teach that the second tithe is for each individual to be able to keep the Feasts. See our ministudy, *Yahweh's Appointed Feast Days: Now YOU Can Afford to Attend*.

The third tithe, however, hasn't really been emphasized. This is mainly due to the taxation we have in this country, which can be up to 30%, some going directly to help widows, orphans, the poor, etc., via government subsidies.

With that said, not all countries have a good foundation of support for their poor and needy.

If you would like to help the poor and were wondering how you might go about it, consider taking a third tithe principle and applying it here. Any funds designated for this account, should be noted and made out to "YAIY Alms Missionary Support". Thank you for your support.



## Question and Answer

**Q.** Some are saying Mary was not a virgin when with Joseph, and when the Spirit came, it only "anointed" the Savior in the womb. Their so-called evidence claims that the word "virgin" is a mistranslation and doesn't actually mean "virgin." They are saying the idea of a virgin birth stems from paganism, long before the 1st century. What do you say?

**A.** The translation of "virgin" works in context with what is written, including the cultural background of Israel, even though the original word is not specific to "virgin." For example, "young maidens" were expected to be chaste "virgins" at marriage (Deut. 22:13-21).

There is also a parallel to "fiancés" today and what we see with the agreement to marry between Joseph and Mary. It was NOT a time to fornicate, which is what it would have been considered, and would be today in a pre-marital state.

Young women, even in the first century, would have known how babies were created. When Mary was approached and told that she was going to conceive, she didn't believe it (Luke 1:34), which indicates Joseph had not known her in the Biblical sense. The conception came directly from the Holy Spirit (Matt. 1:20b)

For argument's sake, let's say that Joseph had sexual relations with Mary. And after she gets pregnant, he wants to put her away quietly (Matt. 1:19)? As a righteous man, he would have taken the steps to make her an honest woman (Exod. 22:16). Receiving instructions from the messenger (Matt. 1:20b-24), he clearly knew what to do (Matt. 1:25a), since he was a righteous man.

All of this gives us clear context, and therefore a clear understanding, as to what took place. Details are not lacking. Even when it came to a genealogy of the Son, in Luke (son to the father) it was noted that Joseph was, "as supposed" (NASB), "as was supposed" (YLT), or "so it was thought" (NIV) to be the father.

It is a clear understanding that Messiah was not just anointed, but was Yahweh's Son and at the same time considered a descendant of King David, according to the flesh (Rom. 1:3-4). While there may still be some mystery how this is accounted according to the flesh, it may well be understood better through the power of the covenantal process — a process and agreement which procures marriage as one flesh in the sight of Yahweh, with or without sexual relations. For example, a woman who marries a man who is a paraplegic and bound to a wheelchair, would through covenant process still be considered one flesh.

I should also mention the constellation Virgo was evidently known in Egypt as a typical teaching of the virgin birth, which they related to Isis. No doubt, Satan confuses the masses and has counterfeit teachings. Yet, the stars and constellations were put in place by Yahweh. It is not surprising they should speak prophetically of things related to Yahshua the Messiah.

"THE VIRGIN WILL  
conceive  
and  
GIVE BIRTH  
to a  
son,  
AND THEY WILL  
call him  
IMMANUEL"  
(which means "El with us").  
MATTHEW 1:23, NIV







Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua

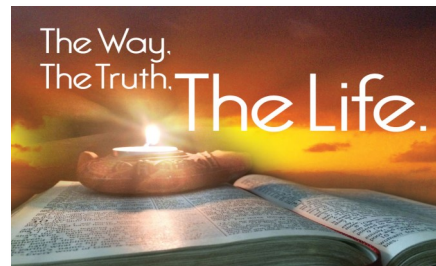
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One came to us for advice. She'd been offered an opportunity in a distant city (Fairview Heights, Illinois) to work as a client advocate at a large St. Louis metropolitan clinic, Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

She explained she and her husband were active in their local conservatively-oriented, Bible-believing church and that they were Pro-Choice. That is, to say, she and her husband had elected not to have children themselves, though she would not even consider through abortion, terminating an unplanned pregnancy.

We suggested first of all, that her degree in Public Relations might not serve her so well in a position with an institution whose agenda conflicted with her declared values.

Then, we proceeded to show her a Scripture: *I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live*, Deuteronomy 28:19. We also pointed out, since she declared what her conservatively-oriented, Bible-believing church preached, was all about LIFE; that He (Yahweh) also was Pro-Choice, but urged His People to choose life, that both they and THEIR CHILDREN might live! Good advice, don't you think?

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## Prayer List

Dolores Parker, David & Barbara Creel, Charlie Pelton, Robert Dorchester, Karen van Schalkwyk, Elder Lionel and Sandra Gets, Diana Murphy, Stella Rogers, Sean Rogers and Family, Loretta Reyes and Family, Michael Hutchinson, Al J. Pagano, Heidi Fleischmann, Chauncey Hargrove, Winifred Marie, Charles Scott Jr. and Sr., David & Nancy Wilson Family/Friends, Terryn Willard, Jerry Castle, Marilyn Montague, Jordan Vira and Family, Ryan C. Irving, Leny Richa, Gary Deerwester, Cody J. Malone, Edward Napper, Larry Skinner, Israel Omotayo family, Mike Coffey, Eric Perkins, Dustin Spears Family/Friends, Kaoru Higa, David Miller, Michelle Williams, Mary Giles Family, Laurie Hernandez, Thomas Herndon Family, Danny O'Connor Family, David Clay, Karl Russel, Ricardo Marta, and Mari Orteg, Joe Norman, Charlene Jeffries, Marilyn Patterson, Kenneth Faulkner, Linda Roberson Family, Troy Fenton, Rakesh (Ruel) and Rajeshri (Ruth) Awale, Lucas Bentley Family, Ron Jernigam, John Cedillo Family, Daniel Montoya Family, Ron Levan Family, Dalten Mason, Alison Roberts, Sharon Norris, Morgan and Diane Brown, Sarah Anees, Michael Johnson and Family, Bob Covey and Family, Quinnten Allen, Kat Durban, Everett Morgan, Kenya Washington, Morgan Brown, Diane Brown. Also include in your prayers individuals seeking Yahweh from within prison facilities and for their families; plus overseas brethren and especially for the peace of Jerusalem (Psa. 122:6). The world's leaders could also use our prayers (Jer. 29:7; 1 Tim. 2:2).

