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Two Different Dating Systems

The Almighty has instructed us to go by the continuous sighting of the new moon and condition of the barley harvest (*Abib*) for determining our months and seasons and years. Today's world has chosen to use dating by the pagan solar (baal) method, which calculates the time taken for the earth to travel around the sun to reach a set starting point. This works out to be 365 and a quarter days. Hence a leap year, which is 366 days, had to be introduced every fourth year to balance the difference.

On observing the lunar months which are either 29 or 30 days, we find that the lunar year has only 354 days in its yearly cycle, but is not connected at all with the movement or position of the sun. It will be noticed that there is a difference of 11 days between the two systems, so if we take them over a period of four years the result will be the following.

- Four Solar Years = 1461 days
- Four lunar Years = 1416 days
- Difference = 45 days

This shows that there are occasionally 13 months in a lunar year, indicating the sun has no part in the fixing of the months in the Sacred Calendar. Remember the beginning of each year is determined by the appearance of green ears of the barley, in the area of Israel (holy land), coinciding with the sighting of the new moon that particular month. This allows the green ears to ripen by the Feast of Unleavened Bread for the participation of the Wave Sheaf Offering from about 15 days later.

Some say there is a 19 year cycle that brings a balance between the two systems, but all through the yearly dating there is nothing in common with them.

For example : 19 * 365.25 = 6939.75 19 * 354 + 7 * 29.5 = 6932.5 Difference = 7.25 Days

It is clear the Almighty gave us the sun to measure out our days and set the Sabbath which was handed down as a sign for His people. There is no naming of the days of the week in Scripture. that was introduced by man calling them after their own set of idols in which our Creator will have no part of. We even see that man has named the solar month with their mighty ones, and Israel has also done the same thing to a few of Father's Biblical months!

Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua

On exactly the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the crops of the land, you shall celebrate the feast of Yahweh for seven days, with a rest on the first day and a rest on the eighth day.

—Lev 23:39 NASB

'You shall thus celebrate it as a feast to Yahweh for seven days in the year. It shall be a perpetual statute throughout your generations; you shall celebrate it in the seventh month.

—Lev 23:41 NASB

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Two Different Dating Systems, cont.

For example: 1st month Nisan Babylonian god of spring

> 4th month Tamuz = A Phoenician & Syrian idol. Ezekiel 8:14

= The rain god "bul" 1st Kings 6:38 8th month Cheshvan

Esther 3:7 12th month = Fire god

It must be understood from year to year, if a feast, a birthday, or any other similar occurrence should happen on a certain day of the week, it is very unlikely it would land on the same day of the week the following year.

The Seven Day Week was instituted by our Creator, the first week of Creation, and has been miraculously preserved by our Almighty Father. Right down to this day and age, mankind has been able to keep this set of Seven Days, thereby preserving the weekly Seventh Day Sabbath being a sign for Yahweh's people. There is no way the weekly cycle can be calculated through seasons, or lunar, or by any other astronomical signs, therefore this had to be handed down through the ages of man.

The Lunar Month, also set by our Creator has an approximate 29.58 day cycle,. And we also note the modern Gregorian calendar, as used today, has either a 30 or 31 and a 28 day month placed in to complete the year, and one day thrown in every fourth year, to coincide with the Solar Year System.

Now looking at this we can now see that the Seven Day cycle is not equally divisible by any of the monthly systems mentioned above, so it stands to reason the days of the year seldom end on the same day of the week.

We have a clear Biblical record for the first Passover occurring on the 14th day of Abib. We have another record of a fourth day of the week (Wednesday) Passover when our Saviour, Yahshua the Messiah, was impaled. Even the Scriptures prophesy that He was to die in the middle of the week. (Daniel 9:27) So this was a similar setting to the plan of the first Passover (Wednesday starting Tuesday night), but we must note that the Wednesday Passover does not occur every year. There are, however, spaces from two to nine years, in which, Passover sometimes falls in the middle of the week.

For interest's sake, it was discovered that in Central America the Mayan Calendar, which can be dated back to August the 12th 3114 BC, had a dating system far more accurate than the Gregorian calendar! Unfortunately for calendar makers, the earth does not travel around the sun to an exact number of days as we are told at school (365 days in the year). No, not quite! To be more accurate it is 365.25 days, hence we get the Leap year every fourth year. Yet this too is not quite exact enough. A year is actually eleven minutes and a few seconds less than 365.25 days. Over time there was a discrepancy developing between the seasons and the Julian calendar. So in 1582 to bring the calendar back into line with the solar cycle, Pope Gregory X111 published a bull, effectively annulling ten days, and also instituted a refinement in the Julian calendar with the years that close each century, that is those which end in 00 and are not divisible by four hundred were to be ordinary years. So in this Gregorian system the years 1600 & 2000 (being divisible by 400) are leap years, while 1700,1800 & 1900 were not. This system is used today.

The Mayan system was extremely complex. There is not enough space to describe the methods used to reconcile the solar date to their calendar. They refined their calculations using the solar cycle of the planet Venus. The result was a system that involved cycles of days, based on 260 days called Tzolkin, which became a larger cycle extending to the greatest cycle called Baktun, which is 144,000 Days. Thirteen Baktun completes a full epoch cycle. The current one will be completed on the 22rd December 2012. This Mayan calendar is far more accurate over a 500 year span than its Gregorian equivalent.

Finally, dear reader, the point is that man with all his ingenuity cannot fully agree even with the dating of time. How much more, we of Yahweh's people, will have to hold on to the Faith in our Creator Yahweh. He who has given us all we need to know of signs and of the times we live in. He is the Author and Finisher of all things.

Two New Mini-Studies

At Yahweh's Assembly In Yahshua we focus on biblical studies that are of interest. Many times, salvational topics are expounded upon and related for the benefit of the reader.

Scripture states that "...Holy and Awesome is His Name!" (Psalm 111:9) We also believe this to be true of His inspired Word. Therefore, the following two studies are now available online and can be ordered to share with others:

1. Full Moon and Leavened Bread? 2. The Hope of Israel

As Yahweh provides, we also extend the right hand of fellowship to all those who have helped us to have a warehouse full of spiritual food for the sheep who hear the Master Shepherd, Yahshua the Messiah. We invite all those who are not willing to compromise Yahweh's Truth to move forward with us out into the fields in His most Holy Spirit and unadulterated truth. Pass the word along!



YAIY Feast Auction!

The Auction Prou Cant Refuse FEAST OF TABERNACLES 2010

Won't you consider donating to a worthy cause? All proceeds will benefit the assembly to promote the Word of Yah. Each donor will list the minimum starting price for their donation. Any donations not awarded will be returned to the donor or sold at a set price per the donor's direction. The following are suggestions, but not limited to:

- **Biblical theme items** i.e. Creation, the Names, verses...possibly nature photos also can include Cd's, DVD's on biblical themes, quilt work, needlework, and crafts...head coverings, scarves, table placemats, runners, napkins, wood burning, painting.
- Current Events related to prophecy...Cd's, DVD's and books and other?
- Health issues for our times...Cd's, DVD's and books and other?
- Services each donor can look at their expertise' and decide what service they can offer to the community of Believers that would benefit the Assembly and the community as well. Examples would be photography, office support on Word/PowerPoint, Database entry, support on Internet research, assist with editing, distribution of materials, etc.
- Children's items for them to bid on...hats, bags, small toys, gloves, books.







"... render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's; and to Yahweh the things that are Yahweh's."

-Matt 22:21 NASB





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Philippine Radio Outreach (working together)

Greetings!

I've attached some photos during the radio broadcast in Davao City, a YRM-financed program under Deacon Joel Ybañez, with Elder Jorge as it's regular speaker. It is aired for 30 minutes every Sabbath between 4:30-5:00 p.m. The photos were taken during Elder Tadea's visit last August 21, 2010. Other Elders present were Villamor and Vidal, Bros. Marco and Noel Tadle.

We're looking forward happily for the coming Feast of Tabernacles to celebrate it with brethren from Zamboanga and Digos cities and hopefully from other edahs.

We know you are also busy for the upcoming feast. We'll pray unceasingly to The Almighty Creator YAHWEH, for all of us to be able to attend the feast with good health and blessed.



Prayer List

Elder Dick Vaow, Hap Tew, Alice Findling, Cindy Gustke Family and Friends, Michelle Love and Family, Jewell Holt, Dolores Parker, Elder Don and Mil Mansager, Maxine Conrad, Patricia Prince, Terrel Frasure, Donald Appling, Lois McDonald, David and Barbara Creel, Vincent Gay, David Jones Jr. and Family, Larry Skinner, Charlie Pelton, Tami Lanphere, Robert Dorchester, Dries Van Zyl, Daphne Griffith and Family, Donald Carringer, Clare Kane, Elizabeth Bailey, R.C. Fernald Family and Friends, Ricardo Delgado, Gerald Bennet and Family, Al Jones and Family, David Wilson, Heidi Ann Eve Isdell, William Borgne, Stella Rogers, Sean Rogers, Elder Buel and Bev Hallpike, Elder Yahkara Sunith, Robert and Patricia Potter, Mark Conrad, Maria Francis, Benjamin Francis, Manuel Longoria and Family, Bobby Travis and Family, Gary and Lanai DuBois, Donnie and Roland Miller, Al Pagano, Mike Greene, Brian Huck, brethren around the world, world leaders, Jerusalem and all the land of Israel.