Prayer 10/31/2026

- Please pray Joy H. as she deals with debilitating post surgery complications.
- Please pray for Bill and Diana Bjoraker as they face a cancer diagnosis and treatment for Diana.
- Please continue to pray for the peace of Jerusalem.
- We continue to ask for the L-rd's protection and provision for all involved in the Ukraine and Russia conflict.

Pray for our Active-Duty Military Family:

Steve Derman – CYT Mishpachah
Wally – Son-in-law of Floyd and Lynda Zimms
Alissa – Niece of Mary Setteducato
Andrea – Daughter of Mary Lawson
Samuel – Son of Ed and Stephanie Gonzalez

October Birthdays:

10/1 – Jessica Katz; 10/12 – Lana Kazakov; 10/13 – Carole Sundine
10/15 – Tricia Patterson; 10/15 – Ryan Sechler; **10/17** – Paul Arvidson
10/17 – Matthew Steele; 10/22 – Logan Sechler; 10/28 – Reed Sundine

November Birthdays:

11/21 – Anita Turner-Steele; 11/23 – Lauren Kanski

November Anniversaries:

11/2 – Anita Turner-Steele & David Steele; 11/27 – Mary (and Christopher) Lawson

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1. *The Belarus Ministry, in Eastern Europe - serving a very poor and elderly Jewish population*
2. *Avi & Hannah Tekle - Tents of Mercy/Ohalei Rachamim, Haifa*
3. *Bill & Diana Bjoraker - Bill & Diana Bjoraker Ministries to Jewish People*
4. *Kat Patterson with Chosen People Ministries – Outreach to Israelis in New Zealand*
5. *Rabbi Kirk and Carla Gliebe – Devar Emet Messianic Jewish Outreach (DEMJO)*
6. *Mordechai Wiseman – Israel Firstfruits, Israel Center for Economic Advancement*
7. *Sally Klein O'Connor (Improbable People Ministries)*

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October 31, 2026 **20 Cheshvan, 5787**

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READINGS:
Torah: Genesis 18:1-22:24
Haftarah: 2 Kings 4:1-37
Brit Chadashah (New Testament): Luke 1:26-38; 24:36-53; 2 Peter 2:4-11

Order of Service

Opening Prayer

Praise and Worship in Music

Torah Service

Scripture:..... ..... 1 Cor. 1:10-17

Message: "The Perfect Community With the Perfect Words!"……Rabbi David Katz

Aaronic Blessing

At Congregation Yeshuat Tsion, we purpose to:

- WORSHIP THE LORD through the culture of Biblical Judaism and when applicable, incorporate practices from traditional Judaism. Above all, we want our worship to be YESHUA CENTERED.
- ESTABLISH A NURTURING COMMUNITY OF FAITH – A congregational family where each person is encouraged to grow into maturity in the Lord and serve according to his or her spiritual gifts.
- RAISE AND MENTOR THE NEXT GENERATION of young people to follow Yeshua and to care deeply for God's restoration in Israel.
- REACH OUT TO ALL PEOPLE WITH THE GOOD NEWS OF YESHUA, with special emphasis on the unaffiliated JEWISH COMMUNITY of greater Denver.
- REACH OUT TO FELLOW BELIEVERS, teaching them the Jewish roots of our faith and equipping them, sensitively, to share Yeshua with their Jewish friends.

Torah Tidbits

Children of Faith

The Torah portion today is called "Va-yera," which means "and He [the L-rd] appeared" [to Abraham]. If we comb Genesis, from chapter 12-18, we only find five occasions recorded when the L-rd appears to Abraham—that's during a 25-year period! (It's possible that the L-rd revealed Himself to Abraham more often, but that's all that we know about). What is special about that? We often picture Abraham walking hand-in-hand with the L-rd and enjoying the L-rd's company every day. Maybe, it's much more likely that those special moments with the L-rd were relatively rare, and that the rest of the time, Abraham had to just go on, day after day, by faith.

From the time that the L-rd promised Abraham that he would become a father (Gen. 12:3,7), until he actually did become a father (through Sarah, Gen. 21:2), about 25 years had passed. Paul tells us (Romans 4:19-20) that Abraham did not give up on G-d during those long 25 years. What we forget sometimes is that Abraham's faith took a while to develop and mature. He did not start out as a spiritual giant. For example, in 15:2-3, Abraham assumes that Eliezer, his servant, will inherit his possessions. He knew that the L-rd promised him a child, but he could see nothing happening: "I remain childless." The L-rd appeared to him again, towards the end of the 25-year waiting period and said to him: "...I will give you a son by Sarah," (17:16).

Abraham's response? He laughed and said under his breath, "will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?" Abraham had his moments, but if you would evaluate his life as a whole, it was a life lived by faith in the L-rd's Word: "Abraham believed the L-rd and He credited it to him as righteousness." In other words, the L-rd did not bring into the equation those rare times when Abraham was weakened. It is a special blessing to have Abraham's life as a model to follow. When we hear the L-rd clearly speaking to us, we need to respond just like he did—in obedient faith. As we follow the L-rd, there will probably come periods of time when we falter—did we hear G-d's Word? Is the L-rd still around and interested? If we "hang in there" and continue as Abraham did, there will come a time when we receive G-d's blessing as he did. Let's imitate his example.