

PRAYER 11/22/2025

- Please pray for Steve Crain's grandchildren, Cody and Jessica, as they mourn the passing of Steve.
- Please pray for Israel as it continues to face uncertainty. May the leaders of Israel be bold and rely on G-d rather than humans.
- We continue to ask for the L-rd's protection and provision for all involved in the Ukraine and Russia conflict, especially for the loved ones of those in our Mishpachah who are involved or have family in harm's way. Please pray for the end of this war.

PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY FAMILY:

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

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

11/10 – Toni Lucero; 11/21 – Anita Turner-Steele; 11/23 – Lauren Kanski; 11/24 – Ellen Wyatt-Gothe

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

11/2 – Anita Turner-Steele & David Steele

YESHUAT TSION HELPS SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING MINISTRIES:

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)*

THE PUSHKAH (OFFERING BOX)

Offerings may be placed in the *pushkah*. Checks may be mailed to the CYT office or placed in the exterior mailbox. There are electronic payment options on our website <https://yeshuattzion.org/give> (PayPal, Visa, Debit). You can also donate via Zelle us: cytzelle@yeshuattzion.org



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Shabbat Shalom!

ALL SHABBAT SERVICES ARE ON YOUTUBE:

Shabbat live-streams: <https://www.youtube.com/@YeshuatTzion/streams>

Previously recorded Shabbat messages: <https://www.youtube.com/c/YeshuatTzion/videos>

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CONGREGATION YESHUAT TSION

November 22, 2025

2 Kislev, 5786

Toldot תולדות

READINGS:

Torah: Genesis 25:19-28:9

Haftarah: Malachi 1:1-2:7

Brit Chadashah (New Testament): Romans 9:1-31

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Prayer

Praise and Worship in Music

Torah Service

Scripture:..... Acts 19:35-40

Message: "Friends In High Places".....Rabbi David Katz

Aaronic Blessing

At Congregation Yeshuat Tsion, our purpose is:

- YESHUA CENTERED WORSHIP in the Jewish context.
- TO ESTABLISH A NURTURING COMMUNITY OF FAITH - A congregational family where each person is encouraged to grow into maturity in the L-rd and serve according to his or her spiritual gifts.
- TO RAISE AND MENTOR THE NEXT GENERATION of young people to follow Yeshua and to care deeply for G-d's restoration of Israel.
- TO REACH OUT TO ALL PEOPLE WITH THE GOOD NEWS OF YESHUA, with special emphasis on the unaffiliated JEWISH COMMUNITY of greater Denver.
- TO REACH OUT TO FELLOW BELIEVERS, equipping them to sensitively share Yeshua with their Jewish friends.

TORAH TIDBITS

Strong Work Through Weak Tools

We don't like to have weak heroes. No, what we like to do is take our heroes and put them on a pedestal and treat them as if they live in perfection. Other times we enjoy pulling them down from the pedestal and grinding them to powder. The Bible does neither—it shows us the strengths, but also the weaknesses of the men and women of G-d. This week's sedra (Torah portion) highlights the life ("Tol'dot" in Hebrew) of Isaac and his family.

We begin with a very attractive picture—Isaac and Rebecca as people of prayer. Rebecca turns out to be barren, just like Sarah before her, and like Rachel after her. "This sterility may have been intended to emphasize that the children who were eventually born were a gift of grace from G-d for the fulfillment of His purpose," (Hertz, a Jewish commentator). The issue was obviously not just physical. When confronted with Rebecca's barrenness, Isaac takes the problem to the L-rd and the L-rd answers—Rebecca gives birth to twins. Actually, the Hebrew literally says that the L-rd "allowed Himself to be entreated,"—in other words, since these children were to be sons of promise, they would have to be "birthed" through prayer. Rebecca also had to agonize in prayer before the children were born. The twins turned violently in her womb (must have been awfully painful) so she cried out to the L-rd. When she did, the L-rd gave her a prophetic view of what would happen to the two of them.

Soon after this attractive view of Isaac and his family, comes a picture of the blemishes: Isaac and Rebecca engaging in favoritism—Isaac loved Esau, Rebecca loved Jacob; Esau despising his birthright—thinking so little of his place as the physical and spiritual heir, that he was willing to trade it for soup; Jacob gaining the birthright through manipulation of Esau and deception of his father.

Yet, the L-rd doesn't pitch them into the garbage can. He promised Rebecca that the older (Esau) would serve the younger (Jacob) and He somehow managed to see that it happened. What's more, the L-rd knew that even though Jacob used carnal means, he had a heart for G-d. The prophet Malachi (1:3) gives us the L-rd's perspective on this: "Jacob I have loved, and Esau have I hated."

That's encouraging! None of us can claim perfection, yet we see that the L-rd is gracious in forgiving us when we stumble and in using us, clay pots that we are, to advance His kingdom.