

PRAYER 11/29/2025

- Please pray for health and healing for Elaine L. and Sheri A's daughter Taylor.
- 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 threats to its security. 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:

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

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CONGREGATION YESHUAT TSION

November 29, 2025

9 Kislev, 5786

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READINGS:

Torah: Genesis 28:10-32:3

Haftarah: Hosea 12:13-14:10

Brit Chadashah (New Testament): John 1:19-51

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Prayer

Praise and Worship in Music

Torah Service

Scripture:..... Acts 20:22-24

Message: "Paul's Bucket List"Rabbi David Katz

Aaronic Blessing

At Congregation Yeshuat Tzion, 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

Perfect Work Through Imperfect Tools, Part 2

Last week we saw that the L-rd carries out His work and plans through tools that aren't always reliable. In fact, as we scan the pages of the Word we'll find the same situation to be true. The men and women of G-d in Scripture were normally strong in faith, but they blew it royally from time to time. How easy is it to look down our noses at them and condemn them for their mistakes—we forget that if we were in the same position, we would not do any better.

Probably the man of G-d in Scripture that has the worst reputation among believers is Jacob. Poor Jacob! There is probably no other biblical character that has been slammed as badly as Jacob. In commentaries and sermons on this passage we see Esau exalted and Jacob tarred and feathered. Here's an example of this attitude: "Jacob—crooked, grasping, scheming...so mean that he took advantage of his twin brother...to filch his earthly inheritance [and] his spiritual authority...Esau the magnanimous, Esau the large-hearted."

Is this how Scripture views Jacob? Malachi tells us (1:3) that the L-rd favored Jacob and hated Esau. Hebrews portrays Jacob as a man of faith (11:21) and Esau as a godless ["profane"] man (12:16). This is obviously not a case of favoritism on the L-rd's part—the L-rd knows the hearts of people. He knew that Jacob, despite his weaknesses, was a man who made a commitment to follow the L-rd.

In this Torah portion we have one of the most special visits that the L-rd made to any person in Scripture (chapter 31). Jacob sees a vision of the L-rd in his dream and in this dream the L-rd renews the covenant He made with Abraham and with Jacob. In other words, the L-rd had a covenant relationship with Jacob, not only because he was the son of Isaac and grandson of Abraham. Jacob had a unique and special relationship with the L-rd. As you read the Torah portion, observe all the special occasions of intimate fellowship between him and the L-rd.

There is another episode that illustrates how the L-rd does perfect work through imperfect tools. Jacob's relationship to Leah was not an ideal relationship—he was tricked into marrying her by his father-in-law, Laban. Scripture tells us that he disliked her and loved Rachel. Yet, the L-rd used this difficult situation to His advantage—He blessed Leah with four sons. One of those sons was Judah, (which means "the one who praises G-d") from whom came our Messiah.

All of us find ourselves in difficult situations, from time to time. How do we handle them—sink into gloom and depression, or trust the L-rd to turn the situation into a blessing? It's quite a challenge...