

PRAYER 12/27/2025

- Please pray for Sheri A-M. and her family as they mourn the loss of Sheri's father.
- Please pray for Elaine L., who has been hospitalized.
- Please continue to pray for a full recovery for Nancy D.
- Please pray for Israel to courageously take action to fulfill its unfinished military tasks.
- Please pray for protection for the Jewish people as acts of antisemitism rise worldwide.
- 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

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

12/7 – Gail Horstman; 12/9 – Zachary Sechler; 12/13 – Chris Meunier; 12/14 – Elaine Lustig; 12/14 – Willie Ortiz; 12/15 – Ricardo Carillo; 12/22 – Ellen Ritt

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

12/2 – Ellen Wyatt-Gothe & Jim; 12/22 – Mirko & Martha Čanji

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

December 27, 2025

7 Tevet, 5786

VaYigash וַיִּגַּשׁ

READINGS:

Torah: Genesis 44:18-47:27

Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:15-28

Brit Chadashah (New Testament): Ephesians 2:1-10

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Prayer

Praise and Worship in Music

Torah Service

Scripture:.....Acts 23:23-30

Message: "The Truth, The Partial Truth, and Nothing But **Some** Truth".....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

Gracious in Victory

How difficult it is to be gracious as we are going through trials. Sometimes it is even more difficult to be gracious when we have become successful. Joseph provides us with a good model of someone who did both. Despite the fact that he was imprisoned, he managed to encourage the ministers of Pharaoh. This week we see Joseph on top of the world—he is second in command in Egypt. How will he act now that he is successful? Will he become arrogant, proud, and vindictive?

At first glance, Joseph seems to be playing cat-and-mouse with his brothers. They rejected him; threw him into a dry pit; sold him into slavery—now is his chance to make them pay and "By George, they will pay." Joseph seems to make his brothers lives miserable and even makes his father's life difficult.

Yet, we need to look more closely. When Joseph is left alone in the company of his brothers, he bursts out weeping, so loudly that everyone outside could hear him. He admonishes his brothers not to be angry with themselves for their cruelty to him. His perspective on what they did to him: "G-d sent me ahead of you, to prepare the way for you. . .You intended it for evil but G-d intended it for good, in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many lives," (Genesis 45: 5,7,8; 50:20). Apparently what Joseph was doing before was to put on a tough act so that his brothers would be forced to re-think (and hopefully, repent) what they did to him.

How do we react in similar circumstances? If we have the strong conviction that our lives are controlled by the L-rd, we will be much more likely to forgive and extend grace. Let us live under the umbrella of the L-rd's sovereignty and act accordingly.