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NY/NJ CONNECTIONS: Pastor's conference brings new contacts: Janet and Abe attended a pastor's and wives conference in mid-October. Several people spoke with us and asked for prayer and help in witnessing to Jewish contacts. We sent out packets of witnessing material for Jewish people.

Pray for a Hasidic Jewish man Abe met at the conference which was held in a large hotel. The Hasidic branch of Judaism is small, about a 500,000, but they are ultra-Orthodox and very religious. The men grow beards and have "side curls," and dress in distinctive black attire. They usually do not interact with non-Jews. As I walked down the hallway to a meeting I was stopped by this Hassidic Jewish man. He read my name tag and said "your name is Abraham?" "I said yes." He asked, "Are you Jewish?" I said "yes, and I believe our Messiah has come and that it is Yeshua/Jesus." He said "Messiah is coming." I said, "Messiah has come according to Daniel 9:24-26 in our Tanakh (Jewish Bible) before the Temple was destroyed in 70 C.E./A.D. and he is coming again." He then asked me a question about a place in the hotel. To my surprise he then stuck out his hand and shook my hand and then he left. Pray that he will be enlightened by Holy Spirit to read this passage for himself and God will open his understanding.



MESSIAH'S LIGHTHOUSE: We have been informed that the building where we are meeting will be sold, and we must be out by mid-November, which gives us two more weeks to find a new site for our Jewish ministry in New York City. Please pray for God's guidance and provision.

NYC Witnessing Campaign Update: Pray for Roger, an unsaved Jewish man who we met during our August witnessing campaign in NYC. He has come weekly to our service for the past month, and is saying to us he is beginning to understand what we are saying about Jesus being the promised Messiah

Jesus is Returning: John 14:1-3 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I

go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also."

In Matthew 24 Jesus speaks of signs that will take place before He returns. Matthew 24:26 *"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory."* V.32 *"But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."*

In Zechariah 14 we find that all the nations of the world will come against Israel and Jerusalem to destroy the Jewish people. At that time Jesus will return to the Mt. of Olives just outside of Jerusalem and destroy all the armies that have attempted to annihilate all of the Jewish people. Jesus will then set up His kingdom on earth and rule from Jerusalem for 1,000 years.

UNESCO, a sub-group of the UN, adopted another delusional decision which says that "the people of Israel have no connection to the Temple Mount and the Western Wall." This



View from the Mount of Olives with the Temple Mount on the left and the sealed Eastern Gate on the right.

decision effectively implies that the Old Testament is a fabrication and lie as it clearly speaks of the Jewish people building the Temple on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem and worshiping there starting in 1,000 BC during the days of King Solomon. At the same time it casts doubt on the New Testament because at least 20 times it mentions the Temple Mount and that Jesus was at the Temple numerous times. In another article we find: <u>Obama 'Threatening</u> <u>to Abandon Israel' at UN Security Council</u> Obama's threat is to consider the option of not using America's veto to



Israel suspended ties with UNESCO following the decision.

block a United Nations Security Council resolution to grant statehood to the Palestinian Authority, possibly along the 1949 Armistice lines, also known as the "1967 border."

These two items indicate that the world is turning against Israel as prophesied in the Last Days. Let's pray for Israel's protection and salvation. For more on this story.

http://www.jewishpress.com/news/breaking-news/obama-threatening-to-abandonisrael-at-un-security-council/2015/03/20/

Many of the signs of Jesus' coming have or are being fulfilled indicating we are in the End Times and Jesus' return is getting closer.

Matthew 24:5-7 Signs of Jesus' Coming

1. **False Messiah's:** There have been 21 Jewish men who claimed to be the Messiah from the 2nd century B.C – 1992. There have been 35 Gentile men who claimed to be the Messiah from early in the first century – 2007.

2. Wars and rumors of wars: 1900-2015 - 260 wars listed

3. **Famines:** Over 70 million died of starvation in the 20th century. (Source: <u>Famine in the 20th Century</u>, Stephen Devereux) 925 Million people worldwide go hungry every day and 5 Million children will die of hunger worldwide annually <u>according to the World Food Programme</u>.

4. **Pestilences/Disease:** In recent decades, several diseases never known to man such as HIV/AIDS, Avian flu, H1N1, Ebola, etc. have rapidly devastated and perplexed our society. Other dangerous diseases: Cholera , Meningitis , Plague , Yellow fever , Zika virus

5. **Earthquakes**: From 2006 - 2016 October there have been 249 major earthquakes measuring 6.5 – 9.0 in magnitude

Surely the signs are multiplying and Jesus is coming. We do not know when, but we must be busy about our Father's business of being a Holy people and being a witnessing people. Let us be busy for the Lord until Jesus comes.

Traditional First-Century Rabbi Jochunan said, "Seven years of trouble come before the Messiah comes. The first year before the Son of David comes the prophecy of Amos (chap. 4:7 God withholds the rain in Israel) will be fulfilled. In the second year of tribulation there will be six months of famine. In the third year there will be great famine. Many men, women and children will die and the pious will be few. The law and the prophets will be forgotten by Israel. The last years will bring signs in heaven and wars and at the end of the seventh year the Son of David will come." (The Gospel of Matthew, Arno C. Gaebelein, p.479, Loizeaux Brothers Neptune, New Jersey, 1982

"Jewish people are not unreachable, they are just unreached."

For God's Glory and Israel's Salvation,

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