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Nairobi, Kenya Outreach Travels

The Nairobi, Kenya Africa, trip was a success! Praise Yahweh for that! The brethren were a joy to be with, and I having seen face-to-face now, who I had known for years but only through e-mail and Facebook messenger communications. It was a blessing to see them and to also worship with other brethren there in Kenya on Sabbath, visiting others during the weekdays, having question and answer sessions, and other separate meetings for the elders.

However, the trip overall was not without its challenges. The Covid-19 restrictions made it very difficult with various rules and regulations which, in some cases, seemed to change from day to day. In fact, the VISA requirements for Kenya changed just days prior to departure, with an additional Min-



istry of Health certificate required. I didn't find out until my first attempt to fly. My initial attempt to board the first airplane was also thwarted due to my COVID-19 negative test being outside of a 96-hour window to my destination. It was outside the re-

quired time by 3-hours. Other flights, I found later, had shorter window requirements, from 72-hours to 48-hours. Mind you, these all required the pcr test results (24-hour turnover) rather than the quicker (3-hour turnover) antigen test. This made flying out of Nairobi to Serbia, essentially impossible. As I would have been in the air and in transit/layover for a full 24-hours, before arriving at Belgrade. Since my flight was to leave at midnight, it would not have been possible to have taken the test (and received it back) within the limited 48-hour window prior to departure. One has to count back from the arrival time. The KLM Airline had canceled all international flights a few days later, but then reconsidered after readjusting their own protocols. But, besides the unreasonable time limit set by Serbia, the contact that was going to meet me at the airport (he lives on the Serbia and Hungary border) was quarantined to his home after crossing the border to Hungary to do some shopping.

Beyond my own struggles with air travel, Elder Robert Davis of YPTC had his own challenges, with an initial missed flight due to Covid-19 results not coming back in time. After this, another ticket to Nigeria was canceled with no explanation. So he had to arrange other flight plans. He was planning on going there, after time in Kenya. Also to go to Uganda, Ethiopia, and Congo.

Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua

This is how we know what love is: Yahshua Messiah laid down His Life for us.

And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of Elohim be in that person?

1 John 3:16–17 NIV.



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However, all of those had to be canceled due an emergency at home, with one of his sons going on life support. He did send Elder Peter Mumira along and planned to have another elder join in the trip so that two would be going, rather than just one (Eccl. 4:9).

In all of this, the rules and regulations for the flights were, due to these various circumstances, unable to be refunded. Flights canceled, even with insurance (for limited health reasons, not a "no-fault"), were non-refundable. This was pretty hard to take, initially. After complaining to the travel agency and with their talking with the airlines, we were both able to receive credit for later trips. In all of this, I should mention that Elder Robert of YPTC has paid for all the accommodations, food, and his own flights, as well, as the flights of other brethren out of his own pocket. At the end, finances were essentially used up, except for credit cards.

This is where it gets more challenging with the Covid-19 rules and regulations, which vary depending on where you are and where you are going. Four elders from Burundi were able to take a bus into Kenya after receiving their passports, but while they were there, they received word that the Burundi government closed their borders, except for flights coming in. Roads were all closed off. In fact, I witnessed video recordings in which people were sleeping in ditches, as they were dropped off by travel busses. People could not go back due to a lack of funds. Burundi has some of the most impoverished people in the world. I can only imagine that they would have tried to get back into their country off the beaten track by foot. For those able to come back with flights, came a mandatory 7-day quarantine in one of the Burundi sanctioned hotels. After some discussion and verifying the government requirements, we decided we could not leave them stranded in Kenya. Between Elder Robert Davis and myself helping, they were able to get back home. Even that was a challenge, as they could not board the flights without verification of reservations, which they received only about an hour before departure; a lesson learned in having faith their needs would be taken care of, ultimately by Yahweh.

We are currently putting together the videos clips (into one video) taken on the trip. It will be called YAIY OUTREACH TRAVELS. We trust it be a blessing to all who watch it. It will be posted on both our YouTube channel and Facebook page. We'll also work on sending out a DVD. At the end of the video, because of the various challenges, there is noted an overall lesson and allusion to our own plans on entering the

coming Kingdom. As I found out, first hand, everything needs to be in order or entry will NOT happen. Whether it be a plane to a destination or the coming Kingdom, details have to be in order beforehand. One will NOT enter the coming Kingdom, otherwise. For us in Messiah, we need to be walking in Spirit and in Truth (John 4:23), we must have Yahweh's Spirit within (Rom. 8:9) and be calling on His Name and His Son's Name (Joel 2:32; Acts 4:12). There are details and weightier matters we must attend to (Matt. 23:23),



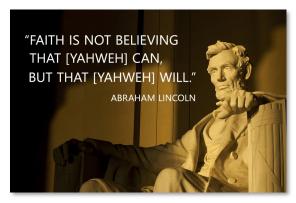
to be ready as a Bride (Rev. 19:7). Even if we do not have something simple like faith, how can we please the Father and be accepted (Heb. 11:6)? And, if we think we have Abraham and the law, it is not enough (Matt. 3:9). For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven, Matthew 5:20.

The lesson for us is, don't miss your flight and opportunity to come into the coming Kingdom. Maybe you've thought, well He knows my heart, and that will be enough. We have to say, NO, it won't be according to the Word of Yahweh. Prepare now, and be ready. We must work the works of Him who sent Me as long as it is day; night is coming when no one can work, John 9:4.

Needs Repeating, 156 Years Later!

Whereas the Senate of the United States, devoutly recognizing the supreme authority and just government of Almighty [Elohim] in all the affairs of men and of nations, has by a resolution requested the President to designate and set apart a day for national prayer and humiliation; and

Whereas it is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of [Elohim], to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon, and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose [Elohim] is [Yahweh];



And, insomuch as we know that by His divine law nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world, may we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be but a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people? We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth, and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten [Elohim]. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the [Elohim] that made us.

It behooves us, then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.

Now, therefore, in compliance with the request, and fully concurring in the views of the Senate, I do by this my proclamation designate and set apart Thursday, the 30th day of April, 1863, as a day of national humiliation, fasting, and prayer. And I do hereby request all the people to abstain on that day from their ordinary secular pursuits, and to unite at their several places of public worship and their respective homes in keeping the day holy to [Yahweh] and devoted to the humble discharge of the religious duties proper to that solemn occasion.

All this being done in sincerity and truth, let us then rest humbly in the hope authorized by the divine teachings that the united cry of the nation will be heard on high and answered with blessings no less than the pardon of our national sins and the restoration of our now divided and suffering country to its former happy condition of unity and peace. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this 30th day of March, A. D. 1863, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty-seventh.

Abraham Lincoln

Passover in March

We are expecting an early confirmation/declaration of barley in Israel this coming March. With that said, the dates of Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread will respectively, given the sighting of the new moon on March 14th, be on March 28th (to be observed the end of the 27th) and 29th through April 4th. Both the 29th of March and 4th of April are High Sabbaths, in which no regular work is to be done.

We will look forward to those who are baptized in Yahshua's Name, to join with us for this very important time. Only those baptized in the Saving Name of Yahshua are allowed to partake of the foot washing, emblems of grape juice and unleavened bread (symbolic of His blood and body).



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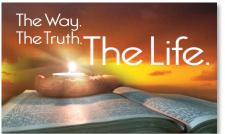




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Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: but rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Messiah's sufferings: that, when His glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy, 1 Peter 4: 12-13. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy [to be compared] with the glory which shall be revealed in us, Romans 8:18. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding [and] eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal, 2 Cor. 4:17-18. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love Yahweh, to them who are called according to [His] purpose, Romans 8:28.

Scarcely, however, will one undergoing "the sufferings of this present time" regard it **temporal** – "a light affliction working together for good, and but for a moment." After all, who wants to suffer? And who's going to compare "the fiery trial ... to a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory?"

So, very little solace is come to very many by saying, "think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you ... but rejoice ... be glad also with exceeding joy!" For "the things which are seen" obscure "a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory," and why? because most people are **time-oriented**, living for today with little thought given to "when His glory shall be revealed!"

Prayer List

Dolores Parker, David & Barbara Creel, Charlie Pelton, Robert Dorchester, Karen van Schalkwyk, Elder Lionel and Sandra Gets, Diana Murphy, Stella Rogers, Sean Rogers and Family, Loretta Reyes and Family, Michael Hutchinson, Al J. Pagano, Heidi Fleischmann, Chauncey Hargrove, Winifred Marie, Charles Scott Jr. and Sr., David & Nancy Wilson Family/Friends, Terryn Willard, Jerry Castle, Marilyn Montague, Jordan Vira and Family, Ryan C. Irving, Leny Richa, Gary Deerwester, Cody J. Malone, Edward Napper, Larry Skinner, Israel Omotayo family, Mike Coffer, Eric Perkins, Dustin Spears Family/Friends, Kaoru Higa, David



Miller, Michelle Williams, Mary Giles Family, Laurie Hernandez, Thomas Herndon Family, Danny O'Connor Family, David Clay, Karl Russel, Ricardo Marta, and Mari Orteg, Joe Norman, Charlene Jeffries, Marilyn Patterson, Kenneth Faulkner, Linda Roberson Family, Troy Fenton, Rakesh (Ruel) and Rajeshri (Ruth) Awale, Lucas Bentley Family, Ron Jernigam, John Cedillo Family, Daniel Montoya Family, Ron Levan Family, Dalten Mason, Alison Roberts, Sharon Norris, Morgan and Diane Brown, Sarah Anees, Michael Johnson and Family, Bob Covey and Family, Quinnten Allen, Kat Durban, Everett Morgan, Kenya Washington, Morgan Brown, Diane Brown, Leah Villas. Also include in your prayers individuals seeking Yahweh from within prison facilities and for their families; plus overseas brethren and especially for the peace of Jerusalem (Psa. 122:6). The world's leaders could also use our prayers (Jer. 29:7; 1 Tim. 2:2).

And give Him no rest, till He establish, and till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth, Isaiah 62:7.