

## Announcement Letter July 2018

Dear Brethren:

The beginning of July marks the midpoint in our solar year. For those of us in the Northern Hemisphere, it is the beginning of summer. For our brethren in the Southern Hemisphere, it is the official onset of winter. This means that while many of us are relishing a greater abundance of light from longer days, others of you are coping with increased darkness from a reduction in daylight. In both cases, the contrast within our changing seasons—the ebb and flow of that light level during the year—helps us to appreciate the significance of God's comparison of His presence and His Truth as Light. He truly is the light of the world:

Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life (John 8:12).

With that in mind, special greetings this month to all of you, as the children of God, who are manifesting that same Light by allowing the Holy Spirit to animate you day by day.

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven (Matthew 5:14–16).

So whether we are receiving more or less of the physical sun's illumination at this time of year, *at all times* we have the opportunity to radiate *true Light* around us by allowing Jesus Christ to live within us and through us. Dear friends and brethren, it is a very *dark world* by virtue of the evil that prevails and is multiplying more and more. But that merely provides the people of God with the opportunity to shine even brighter, when we successfully *marshal our behaviors and actions* to mirror the behaviors and actions of Jesus Christ, in contrast to the world. May every one of you take heart in your important role in that glorious Master Plan of the true King of Light, and may you be warmed spiritually by the light of that Way which you carry with you at every time of year.

## **New Moon**

The new moon, Ab (fifth month), begins Thursday evening, July 12. The new moon day is Friday, July 13.

## **Camp Tejas**

This year Camp Tejas for the teenagers is being held July 12–23 in Camas, Washington, and we are asking you to keep it in your prayers so that it may be an enjoyable, successful and safe experience for everyone involved.

## **Excess Second Tithe**

This is a reminder of the yearly need for second tithe to cover administrative and facility costs for the Feast. We want to reserve adequate for an enjoyable and meaningful Feast. At the same time, we all must remember, to keep the Feast requires the rental of halls, transportation, aid to those who are deserving, etc. If we all contribute, the burden for each is relatively small. A huge thanks to those whose hearts and minds are willing. May God richly and abundantly bless you in all ways.

## **Second Tithe Requests**

Please be reminded that requests for second-tithe assistance for the Feast of Tabernacles need to be in by August 15. Any who need assistance should notify us in ample time.

## **Trip Schedule**

### **Mr. Jon Brisby**

July 14..... Camas, Washington (Camp Tejas)

July 21..... Elkhart, Indiana

July 28..... Mansfield, Massachusetts

## Recorded Sermon Schedule

Sermon #	Mailed	Played	Title
WSE-JWB 214-3	06-14-18	07-07-18	God in Symbols and Metaphors #3
WSE-RC D-3	06-14-18	07-14-18	Divine Revelation #3
WSE-JWB 216	07-05-18	07-21-18	Discerning What Matters
WSE-RC D-4	07-05-18	07-28-18	Divine Revelation #4
WSE-JWB 217-1	07-05-18	08-04-18	Paradigm Shifts #1
WSE-RC D-5	07-26-18	08-11-18	Divine Revelation #5
WSE-JWB 217-2	07-26-18	08-18-18	Paradigm Shifts #2

In Christ's service,



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