

2018 Abib Summation Report

April 2, 2018

Happy Feast of Unleavened Bread. The Great White Pelicans have flooded into the Land just as they should be, in sequence with all the other signs in creation to display the turn of the year has happened.

Brian and Linda

March 18, 2018

Hi Folks, Another year of inspections prior to the end of the 12th month are behind us. That makes 18. We have made the effort as we always do, to provide relevant information to all the various factions who look to the barley maturing; to the physiological state that makes it capable of reproducing itself. We call that, the state of Aviv. That is also when it can be ground into fine flour.

For us, this present year is a year following an intercalated one. That is not the case for everyone and that is between them and God/Elohim. We are not your judge in such things. My whole purpose being here is to inspect all the biblical criteria which goes into discerning the start of the biblical year. That is the first month Abib, in which our focus is on: Passover, Days of Unleavened Bread, Wavesheaf Day, and the start of the 7 week count to Pentecost, Feast of Weeks. There are a lot of signs mentioned in scripture in addition to inspecting barley, for they are all placed in creation to tell us when the turn of the year is from winter to summer in the Promised Land. They are witnesses to it. Please do not be deceived by some stating these Biblical facts and patterns are irrelevant. Here are just a few.

Matthew 24:32 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender (sap running through it) and puts forth leaves, you know that the summer is near."

Song of Solomon 2:11-13 "For low the winter is past, the rain is over and gone, the flowers appear on the earth: the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grapes give a good smell."

Jeremiah 8:7 "Even the stork in the heavens knows her appointed times (moedim); and the turtledove, the swift, and the swallow observe the time of their coming. But My people do not know the judgement (when to start the beginning of the year to keep their appointed times) of the Lord/Yehovah."

Isaiah 18:5 "For before the harvest when the bud is perfect, and the sour grape is ripening in the flower..." (perfect description of both at this time of year)

These are clear instructions from God/Elohim that there are very distinct patterns placed by Them in creation for us to observe and use in our determining the exact days of Their appointed times for us. I happen to be simple enough to believe them as detailed in scripture and follow this simplicity in Christ/Messiah. We actually look for

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them all. Imagine that. This year we have witnessed the white storks migrating in vast numbers, swifts darting around in their aerial displays, swallows playing tag (as it seems) in the heavens with each other and waking up to the doves singing their love songs and other birds singing to the glory of God/Elohim for another day dawning. We have seen fig trees leafing out and growing figs all over the Land. The grapes are in every stage of early growth with the tiny sour grape forming. And we have inspected the barley as to the head/bud being found perfect/complete so it can reproduce itself and thus be ground into fine flower for a first of the first fruits offering of the early harvest of grain, the barley harvest, which bows deep before God/Elohim prior to its use as the Wavesheaf Offering. There is enough barley which meets the Leviticus 2:14 minimum qualifying requirement to satisfy all the different factions that I am aware of. However that is my opinion and understanding.

We have presented these evidences to you for you to make your decision between your Creators and yourself as to when you will be keeping the appointed times of meeting with Them. All we do is provide the technical assistance, you do all the rest.

If you did not look in on the Zoom Meeting this past Sabbath (yesterday) on the results of the inspections you may want to do so:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLtwC8EDq43SP0EMpD_1I17KIP9-gNjVV

It has become apparent that folks were asking some very basic questions about how to determine the state of Aviv in the barley in Israel. We created a book on that subject to assist anyone wanting to do inspections in Israel many years ago. It is found on our website on the studies page. Here is a link to it:

https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/e51d9f_f07555723e934cdeb844013ae9100947.pdf

Many have asked about the particular set of beliefs which Linda and I and many others have which have formed our understanding of the Abib/Wavesheaf process. Here are two articles that sum them up for the most part. The first is; The Importance of the Wavesheaf:

https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/e51d9f_82ebf3b038744a2b80b6c43230ffb72e.pdf

The second is: Who Are We?

https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/e51d9f_f03f0aca2d3042b6bd8363175ef92020.pdf

It is also important that I address a matter which has arisen this year during the inspections. There is a posting circulating which is a copy and past of sorts with one of our reports. In fact, it mentions the group of brethren with me here in Israel as ("Our group") and it appears we are scolding a Karaite inspector for his inspection techniques who in fact I have a lot of respect for. If you want to read what I think, always look to our website abibofgod.com. Most of you who know Linda and I, realize we do not need a spokesman, so rest assured we have none.

Thank you for seeking to worship God/Elohim in spirit and in truth. Our peace we give to you. Brian

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Some pictures for you.



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March 15, 2018

Hi Folks,

Great day in the Land today. Way too many pictures to show in one email so expect some later. However, these pictures tell a wonderful story of the turn of the year from winter to summer.

The Barley crew and awol Linda

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The first picture is of 2 and 6 row domestic barley



The second is wild barley



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The third is mature wild barley seeds



The fourth is mum and the kids in a feeding frenzy.

Lambs are old enough in many flocks to be out and about and to learn barley grass makes you grow big and strong.



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March 14, 2018

Hi Folks,

We hope things are well with you. Arrived back at the cottage today to be greeted by my luggage. Thanks for the prayers. I will be getting today's report out and then work on my picture end. I think Becca has been able to get some out by going to a deli and using their internet connection.

As we had anticipated from the start of this present year, we expected a traditional 12-month year with barley being able to be harvested through the entire 7 weeks allotted to it. That has been the pattern following an intercalated year since 2006.

Today we traveled through the Jordan and Jezreel Valleys as well as on top of the Golan and down through the Galilee to the coast.

All the wild barley growing in good soil is huge due to the recent water from Heaven in its season. It consisted of young heads just coming out of the boot (Zadok #5) through the beginning of milk development (Zadok #7.1). We did stop to look at the goat grass in the area of the Jordan Valley that other folks work with and it too was young, even roadside.

The Domestic barley fields in several locations were actually being harvested for silage. This takes place as the head starts to enter early yellow color phase. Most of it is used for the dairy operations. The most advanced was just south of the sea of Galilee at Ashdot/Ya'akoy area.

There were numerous areas on the Coastal Plain in which domestic fields were entering 50% color change. Some were being cut for silage as well. The question has arisen why we are reporting on domestic barley? Simple answer is some use it in their determinations and we furnish them with the conditions we find when we are here inspecting. The second one is very important as well and I will mention it again. There are traditionally early fields scattered throughout Israel. Regardless of what type of grain is planted there it will mature faster than in other areas. Knowing this to be a pattern in creation we use the simple deduction to inspect the same areas for the wild/volunteer barley as well. Guess what? It too is always early as well.

There is no way I will be able to answer all the questions I have here since I have my computer once again charged and able to read emails, so I will sum up some of the main ones.

The Western Negev rules as the early king this year as we anticipated based on the weather conditions there since early January.

Yes, we did find wild red strain barley which could qualify to be Lev 2:14 material for a first of the firstfruit wavesheaf offering before the end of the current month. In fact, I have a sample which is just sitting in my room drying without any assistance and on Friday I will see if I can split it with my finger nail. It is very hard at present but I am experimenting with it all the same. If I were to put it in the sun it would actually harden faster but that will not be needed in my thinking. Will keep you posted.

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For those who need to have it aviv by wavesheaf day falling in the upcoming month you will have all kinds of it in the Western Negev ready on its own, well before that.

I will try to send out pictures today after I post this so you have some of them. I do have my camera now and will be taking pictures tomorrow in the Route 232 corridor on our way back from a side trip to the South. It will be interesting to see the development in the past two days then.

Lots of White Storks doing their uplift thermal riding today. Fig trees are popping out all over every location we have visited. Old species grapes right in step as well.

Brian, Sandra, Becca, Brenda, Tim, and Chanse

March 13, 2018

Hi Folks, Difficult flight for me with luggage still flying around somewhere with clothes, camera, charging cords etc. We got an early start this morning heading to the locations of our traditionally early fields in the Western Negev. We started seeing fields of domestic grain rapidly turning color on Route 3 as we approached Rt. 232. Many of you are aware that this area usually leads the pack for early maturing. Hopefully pictures will load and send out in our cobbled setup. At this location we did find the red strain wild barley that was physiologically mature. If given a few days to dry in the sun as a cut sheaf it would easily meet the Leviticus 2:14 minimum requirements. We found several other locations reflecting the same maturity all the way down to the Be'eri/Re'im area. All of these areas held wild, as well as domestic barley, which will be ready for a wavesheaf offering of the first of the firstfruits before the end of March on their own. Nothing we inspected in our stops in the Western Negev today was less than 6.9 on the Zadok Scale. There were a lot of samples in the 8.3 to 8.5 stages. In every instance the crew was able to witness the superior maturing qualities of the red strain of wild barley. The wild barley in the Judean Hills is less mature as is to be expected with the elevations compared to the Western Negev. We saw lambs mixed in with most flocks of sheep and goats. We also had a beautiful display of the White Storks antics as they migrated north near Kiryat Gat of all places. The traditionally early vineyards were well leafed out in most cases. Fig trees are leafing out with fruit and leaves. Tomorrow we will be heading north up the Jordon Valley to the Jezreel Valley and possibly the Coastal Plain are north of Tel Aviv. Have no way to load pictures at this time so they will follow. Brian, Sandra, Becca, Brenda, Tim, and Chance

March 8, 2018

Hi Folks,

We will be conducting a Zoom Meeting online March 17 from Israel at 1 pm Eastern Time (US). We will be presenting a summation of the results of the inspection in a format where you will be able to ask questions pertaining to them. This will not be a

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format for airing any opinions or specific doctrine. We conduct our inspections in a manner to cover many different particular beliefs. So with that said, if anyone decides to function in a contentious manner; as the apostle Paul puts it, we will terminate their participation. This will be after the Sabbath in Israel, but many of the folks who will be participating will still be conducting the Sabbath observance. Brethren who look to this information are found in almost every nation on earth, even communist China, so please be respectful of the entire body even if they may appear different than you. Not everyone is composed of the more comely appearances. I (Brian) am a perfect example of that.

Keep safe and thank you for loving our Creators.

Topic: Results of the inspections and observations in Israel

Time: Mar 17, 2018 1:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <https://zoom.us/j/816657603> Note: this is a different link than our normal one

Or Telephone: (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

US: +1 408 638 0968 or +1 646 876 9923 or +1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 816 657 603

March 4, 2018

Here is an email we received from Jonathan yesterday. Keeping you all in the loop as to the bird migrations well underway in Israel. These folks are a valuable resources in our looking for the signs described in the scriptures which point to the turn of the year, winter to summer. This year so far has been an excellent year to learn about all of them.

Hi and thanks for your message

For the past week large numbers of White Storks are already moving over Israel.

Over 2000 were counted yesterday.

Besides these there are also good numbers of Cranes as well.

Hope this helps.

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March 1, 2018

Hi Folks,

We will be posting our first inspection report on Tuesday March 13 God/Elohim willing. Some have asked us to look hard for barley which will meet the minimum Lev 2:14 standard by March 18. We obviously will do this and in fact do so every year for those who use an Abib 1 date even though that date is not how we ourselves reckon the start of the new year. We also inspect domestic fields of barley and report on those as well for some use those species for their determinations. We will also be looking in the region of Jerusalem for mature enough barley as well for some only use that.

Please be mindful we only inspect barley that grows in good soils which could be plowed and sowed. We do not make any effort in the areas of goat grass.

We try to make every effort to provide others with specific information even though we ourselves don't use it. So if you have a specific request outside of these let us know and we will do our best to fulfill your request.

If it interests any of you, fig trees in several districts are growing fruit and leaves.

Brian and Linda

February 28, 2018

Here is a picture Pierre send over earlier. This is in the Hula Valley north of the Sea of Galilee. A beautiful contract of the migrating white storks in the front and common cranes in the back with one flying overhead. Notice the small beak on the crane as compared to the storks as well as the brilliant colors of the storks and the darker plumage of the cranes. reports of thousands are being posted.

Large numbers of White Storks have started the migration up the Jordon Valley. These are not Common Cranes which winter in the Hula Valley but the real deal. This is the earliest we have seen this many numbers coming north.