

Announcement Letter March 2015

Dear Brethren:

Because of the early new year in God's calendar, this will be the last mailing most of you will receive from us before we gather in designated areas to keep the Passover on April 2. With that in mind, we will be praying for all of you—in every place that God has placed you around this world—asking for your special protection, guidance, strength, and inspiration for the upcoming Passover season. Your faith to commit to this way of life and to persist in keeping these commands of God—preserving the faith once delivered by practice in this dark world—is significant.

Recall that God's mercy upon the wicked for the sake of only very few righteous ones is a real consideration. When Abram inquired of God about sparing Sodom from destruction, he solicited from God a commitment that even for as few as ten righteous people in that city, He would spare them all (Genesis 18). But there were not even close to ten, and God therefore made an example of Sodom, which is also a warning for today. The sins of this whole world are progressively coming to the full once again, even as they did in the days of Noah. And once again God is going to humble mankind through very severe chastisement.

With that in mind, how much do you suppose the faithful obedience of even a few people today counts in God's dealing with the whole world? The majority of humanity is steeped in idolatry and blasphemy against their Creator. Even among those who soon will be making offerings in honor of Jesus Christ, their Easter tradition is an abomination to Him. And even among those truly called to understand the revealed Truth, how many will be making acceptable offerings before Him during Passover and Unleavened Bread? The majority of those called by God today have embraced perversions based upon human scholarship—which is just as much a stench in His nostrils as the pagan Easter rites. How many then upon this earth will there be showing real respect to God and partaking of Passover acceptably? Very few, indeed. But the few who will be are that much more important, seeing that they are a very rare commodity upon this earth at this time.

No, those whom He considers to be righteous will not be enough in number to forestall the tribulation that this world will soon experience. That is already prophesied to come to pass. There were not enough righteous in the days of Noah, and all but eight people

perished in that great flood. There was only Lot within Sodom, and so that city too was destroyed, yet Lot was spared miraculously. In our day, in spite of the coming desolation of this current world, God has also promised a way of escape to the very few who will stand in fear of the One True God. If you prepare your hearts sincerely for this coming Passover (God knows), you can be among those few who receive His promised blessings of mercy and special favor in the days ahead.

And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof (Romans 13:11–14).

If we heed His admonition, we can truly be assured of His loving favor, and we furthermore can be assured of being a very bright light in this ever-darkening world. God deserves to be honored, thanked, praised, and revered during the upcoming Passover season. Let us be among the few who will offer Him truly respectful homage at Passover.

New Moon

The new moon, Nisan (first month), begins Friday, March 20. The new moon day is Sabbath, March 21.

Holy Days

Lead men should be making appropriate preparations for these days:

Passover (evening)	Thursday, April 2
Night to Be Much Observed	Friday, April 3
1st Holy Day—Days of Unleavened Bread	Sabbath, April 4
2nd Holy Day—Days of Unleavened Bread	Friday, April 10

Contributions

When sending in tithes and offerings by check or money order, some of you have written a new check for each category (one for first tithe, one for third tithe, etc.). To save you time and effort, may we suggest that you consolidate them all into one check? Our bookkeeper can break down the check or money order into the proper accounts when she does a deposit if you will make sure to list how much goes into each category. If you do not write on your check how much you would like applied to each category, your end-of-year statement will be inaccurate. Also, just as a reminder, we do not send out receipts for each contribution. We send out a one-time contribution receipt at the end of the year that lists all of your contributions throughout the year.

Trip Schedule

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April 10, 11..... Stephenville, Texas

Recorded Sermon Schedule

Sermon #	Mailed	Played	Title
WSE-RC 59-49	02-05-15	03-07-15	Despair or Glory, Which? #49 Habakkuk Chapter 3 #19
WSE-JB 162	02-26-15	03-14-15	Pre-Passover Examination: Do We "Get It"?
WSE-JB 138-28	02-26-15	03-21-15	Family Handbook #28 Pregnancy and Childbirth #4
WSE-RC 59-50	02-26-15	03-28-15	Despair or Glory, Which? #50 Habakkuk Chapter 3 #20
Holy Day Sermons	02-26-15	—	Passover/NTBO/UB
WSE-RC 59-51	03-19-15	04-11-15	Despair or Glory, Which? #51 Habakkuk Chapter 3 #21
WSE-RC 59-52	03-19-15	04-18-15	Despair or Glory, Which? #52 Habakkuk Chapter 3 #22

In Christ's service,



Jon W. Brisby