



ICDF Newsflash

May 2018

Prayer Watch

This year the Christian Church's Pentecost calendar coincides with Shavuot on the Jewish calendar and so we thought it would be appropriate for the theme to be connected to the celebration of Shavuot.

19 - 20 May 2018

We invite you to join us in our Pentecost Prayer Watch 2018. This will be over the weekend of May 19th and 20th and will be held around the world so please join in wherever you are. There are different options and different times as explained below as well as examples and information for inspiration as shared by the ICDF Prayer Consociate, Kaye Strauss.

1. Pentecost / Shavuot ... May 19th at 6pm local time

At 6pm local time you will be joining a continual flow of intercession across the world for over a period of 24 hours as led by the Holy Spirit. This will start in Fiji and then move westwards which is also very symbolic because the Jewish nation looks to the East each year for the coming of the Messiah!!

2. Choose a time to best suit you

This can be over the weekend of 19th, 20th May or on a day and time which suits better for you; can be on your own or with members of your dance group; in one place or as a Prayer Walk.

Whichever way you choose, our prayers around the world will be symbolising the Holy Spirit's Breath moving across the earth. The Earth is the Lord's and everything in it, so we are declaring in unity the Love of Christ/Yeshua ha'Messiah to flood the Earth!



Photo: Provided by Kaye Strauss

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In Shrewsbury, Britain, the plan is to start off with a small workshop of dance/movement/celebration with biblical teachings relating to Shavuot on 19th May from 10-12pm, whereafter there will be time for people to enjoy Shrewsbury over lunchtime. Then at around 4pm they will meet up at St Julian's again to do a prayer walk around the town. At 6pm they will be back at St Julian's to start their prayer/worship time together!

Anybody interested in joining please contact Kaye at kayestrauss.icdf@gmail.com

What Is Pentecost / Shavuot All About

- Kaye Strauss

The Feast of Pentecost was to take place exactly seven weeks and one day ('shavuot' in Hebrew means 'weeks') or fifty days after FirstFruits ('pentecost' in Greek means 'fifty'). It is also a harvest festival when an offering of new grain was presented in the temple.



Photo: Celebrating Shavuot at the Upper Room in Jerusalem during the ICDF Prayer Watch, 2015.

It is believed that Moses received the law on Mount Sinai at this time (Ex 19:1). In the New Testament the Holy Spirit fell on the first disciples on the Day of Pentecost and this took place 50 days after the resurrection of Jesus / Yeshua and was the birth of the church (Acts 2:1-4).

The Book of Ruth is also read at this time as it is a book of harvest and redemption ending with the genealogy of King David who according to tradition, was born and died on Shavuot.

For those interested in receiving an interactive programme that can be used to celebrate Pentecost / Shavuot, please contact Kaye at ...
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Scripture References

Scriptures relating to Jew & Gentile being one in Messiah - His people, Promise of the Land, Fruit of the Land, Jerusalem, Regathering & Home in & through Him :-

Gen 12:1-7; 15:18; 26:3-4; Ps 147:19-20; Nehemiah 8:1-12; Ps 56:4; 78:5; 119:89 105:8-11; Deut 6:4-9; 8:3; Jer 31:10; Micah 4:2; Isaiah 27:6; 31:12; 35:6-7; 41:18-20; Joel 2:19; 3:18; Ezekiel 36:8-12; Amos 9:14; Zechariah 8:12

Then read:-

Ps 122; Isaiah 11:12; Ezekiel 28:25

Ending with:-

Jer 31:33-34; Ps 133

From the New Testament:-

Eph 2:11-13; Gal 3:28

International Christian Dance Week: 13 - 20 May 2018

ICDF celebrates International Christian Dance Week during the week before Pentecost, 13 - 20 May 2018.

It is however not only ICDF countries that can celebrate International Christian Dance Week but also groups or individuals. This can be done through an outreach, a ministry opportunity, a workshop or even just a group of dancers coming together for their weekly gathering and while doing so record it. You may choose to use this Week, too, to celebrate ICDF's 30th Anniversary. Let us give God the praise for the work He is doing in this earth through us.

How to take part:

Decide how you want to celebrate with us during the International Christian Dance Week

- Take a video or photos of the event
- Post on the social media and make use of hashtags (ICDF Facebook group, Instagram, Twitter)
- Mail us the photos or video footage (Make sure you have the consent of the people in the photos / video)

For general enquiries contact icdfworld@gmail.com