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“Seventh-ember”

Gen. 41:29 “Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:”

When Joseph revealed the meaning of Pharaoh’s dream, he also used one of the most common numbers in the Bible. Scholars tell us that the number “seven” means “completeness or fulness.” The first use of the number “seven” relates to the creation week in **Genesis 1**. God spends six days creating the heavens and the earth, and then rests on the seventh day. Our calendars today continue that template of a seven-day week.

Which brings me to my main point: Did you know that our month of “September” comes from a Latin root-word called “*septem*,” meaning “seven?” The reason was because the original Roman calendars had **September** as the seventh month of the year rather than our ninth month. September is an important month to many Jewish people today.

Rosh Hashanah meaning “*Head of the Year*” is the beginning of the year in the traditional Jewish calendar. It is the first of the High Holidays or “Days of Awe,” ending 10 days later with the most Holiest day for Jews, “*Yom Kippur*.”

“**Yom Kippur**” meaning “**Day of Atonement**” is about asking God to forgive sins, and for families to spend time reflecting on past mistakes, accepting repentance and praying.

Back to the number “seven.” Have you thought how many times the number seven is used, or refers to the number seven? Here is just a few that I have found in the Bible to celebrate the month of September:

Many scholars see 7 major divisions in the Bible. 1)The Law; 2) the Prophets; 3) the Writings or Psalms; 4) the Gospels and Acts; 5) the General Epistles; 6) the Epistles of Paul, 7) Revelation.

There are seven feasts in the Jewish calendar: 1) *Passover*, 2) *Unleavened Bread*, 3) *First Fruits*, 4) *Feast of Weeks*, 5) *Feast of Trumpets*, 6) *Yom Kippur*, 7) *Feast of Tabernacles*

There are at least seven men in the Old Testament who are specifically mentioned as a “man of God.” They are *Moses* (Joshua 14:6), *David*, (2 Chron. 8:14) *Samuel* (1 Samuel 9:6,14), *Shemaiah* (1 Kings 12:22) *Elijah* (1 Kings 17:18), *Elisha* (2 Kings 5:8) and *Igdaliah* (Jer. 35:4).

No animal used as a sacrifice until it was at least seven days old. (Ex. 22:30)

Naaman, the leper was to bathe in the Jordan seven times for complete cleansing (2 Kings 5:10)

Joshua marched around Jericho for seven days, on the seventh day, seven priests were to blow seven trumpets outside the city walls, (Joshua 6:3-4)

In the NT, the book of Hebrews uses seven titles to refer to Christ. The titles are ‘*Heir of all things*’ (Hebrews 1:2), ‘*Captain of our salvation*’ (2:10), ‘*Apostle*’ (3:1), ‘*Author of salvation*’ (5:9), ‘*Forerunner*’ (6:20), ‘*High Priest*’ (10:21) and the ‘*Author and finisher of our faith*’ (12:2).

In 13th chapter of Matthew, Jesus gives “seven parables.”

There are Seven Psalms written by David: (Psalm 2, 16, 32, 41, 69, 95 and 109).

Jesus uses seven “I AM” in Matthew, and told His followers to forgive those who wrong you seventy times seven times (Matthew 18:22).

Seven sayings of Jesus on the cross.

Seven miracles recorded in the Gospel of John

In Revelation, John writes to seven churches, seven lampstands, seven stars, speaks about seven seals, seven trumpets and seven bowls of the wrath of God to be poured out in the seven years of tribulation.

The number seven is used more than fifty times in Revelation!

In fact, the number seven is used in one form, or another more than seven hundred times in the Bible.

So, happy “Seventh-tember.”

In Christ Service,

Bro. Bobby



**Little River
Baptist Association
207th
Annual Session**

Sunday
October 18, 2020
3:00-5:00 p.m.
Locust Grove
Baptist Church

3:00-3:15
Registration
& Memorial Service

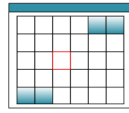
3:15-3:50
Business Session

3:50-4:00
Dessert Fellowship

4:00-5:00
Worship

**KBC Speaker—
Kenny Rager**

**Message—
Bro. Nicholas Clark**



**Calendar
Of
Events**



**Labor Day
9/7/20
Office Closed**

**Mission Board Meeting
9/14/20
7:00 p.m.**

**ACP's &
Organizational
Reports Due
9/14/20**

SEPTEMBER



**Sunrise Children's
Services**

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JULY

	Regular	Special
Church		
Bethany	0	
Blue Spring	1,912.56	
Buffalo	0	
Cadiz	1,091.15	
Canton	1,142.97	250.00
Cerulean	425.00	
Delmont	165.95	
Donaldson Creek	1,106.64	
East Cadiz	1,661.28	
Hurricane	400.00	
Liberty Point	719.10	
Locust Grove	534.80	
Maple Grove	350.00	
New Hope	266.91	
New Jerusalem	0	
New Light	50.00	
Oak Grove	249.80	
Ponderosa	299.56	
Rock Front	200.00	
Rocky Ridge	283.00	
South Union	189.75	
Wallonia	200.00	
Misc. Income	1,000.00	368.58
Total	12,248.47	618.58
		12,867.05
Interest NOW Acc.	5.54	
Deaf Ministry		250.00
Associational Van Fund		368.58

Subtotals	12,254.01	618.58
Total income		\$12,872.59
Monthly expense		12,856.25

Regular Fund	
Beginning Balance	37,056.50
Interest Received	5.54
Gifts	12,386.47
Trans— Contingency Fund	(100.00)
Trans— OMC	
Trans— Building Maintenance Fund	(100.00)
Trans— Associational Mission Project	
Expense Checks Written	(12,599.32)
Ending Balance	\$36,649.19

Treasurer: Louise Fuller 8/25/20



**Justin Silvers— 9/19
Tracey Cotton— 9/29/20**