

## A Day of Fasting

October 12, 2024, is Yom Kippur, otherwise known as The Day (Yom) of Atonement (Kippur). God directed Moses to set this day aside to fast, pray, and place their hope in God. Leviticus 23:26–27 (NLT) Then the Lord said to Moses, <sup>27</sup> "Be careful to celebrate the Day of Atonement on the tenth day of that same month—nine days after the Festival of Trumpets. You must observe it as an official day for holy assembly, a day to deny yourselves (fast) and present special gifts to the Lord. According to scripture, this was the most sacred day of the year. It was the only day anyone was allowed into the Temple's Holy of Holies, the dwelling place of the Ark of the Covenant (Leviticus 16).

While there are many times of fasting in scripture, the Day of Atonement is the only specific day God ordained to fast. Our world needs a praying and fasting church. We are facing many spiritual giants. Jesus teaches us in **Matthew 17:21 (NKJV)** However, this kind does not go out <u>except by prayer and fasting</u>."

Fasting is our opportunity to humble ourselves (fast), call on the Lord (pray), and see a move of God (revival). The promise is sure- 2 Chronicles 7:14 (NKJV) if My people who are called by My name will <u>humble themselves</u>, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then <u>I will hear from heaven</u>, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

In 2024, Mosaic is living under the call of God "<u>for such a time as this.</u>" Esther 4:14 (NKJV) For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet <u>who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this</u>?" This call for courage from Mordechai to Esther was fueled by fasting.

On Saturday, October 12, we are calling the church to join thousands worldwide for a day of fasting and prayer.

A prayer focus for the day:

- Repent and set your own heart right towards the Lord. Ask God to clarify your assignment.
- Pray for your family. We need our families united.
- Repent for the sins of our nation and leaders. In this election cycle, pray for righteous leaders.
- Pray for our nation. We need revival! Our nation needs to return to the Lord.
- Pray for the peace of Israel. May God protect her and bring salvation in Christ to her land.
- Pray for the world. We need a global great awakening.
- Pray for the church! May the Lord raise a holy church, leading with courage, faith, and power.

Please mark your calendar, arrange your day, and pray. Let's move these mountains!

Much love,

Pastors Anthony and Julia