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The Samaritan Update "Mount Gerizim, All the Days of Our Lives"



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2022 Events

First Month 3660 - 1 April 2022 Passover Sacrifice 3660 - Thursday Evening, 14 April 2022 1st day of Unleavened Bread evening 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022 7<sup>th</sup> Day of Unleavened Bread Evening 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022 The Seven Days of the Festival of Unleavened Bread- April 14-21, The Festival of Unleavened Bread (Matzos) April 21 1<sup>st</sup> Day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Month 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2022

## Passings

**Yishmael b. Isissi b. Yiahmael Hastri Hdinfi** (1938-2022) Buried in Mount Gerizim on Saturday night 22.1.2022

Ishmael son of Azi was a teacher in schools in Nablus and the elders of the community in Nablus and in the shrines. He is an exemplary son and the pride of his family. A bearer whose face is heard. His son Azi and his five daughters adored him and respected him. His stories were published in the Holon 2021 Storyteller.

We will strengthen the hands of his widow Ramzia and his brother Nadav and his son Azi and his sisters Nadia, Mali, Priel and Hiba will last a long time and Nahad will have mercy on Yahweh and his brothers. Hopefully they will last a long time.

God will rest on his spirit, and he will dwell in our paradise when the time comes. He was 84.



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May the Lord have mercy (2022-1945): Holon, Saturday, Yij for the tenth new 15.1.2022 Sorry b. Behavior b. Phinach Hallibi Buried in Mount Gerizim on Saturday night 15.1.2022 77 years old in his death. The cohen of the community in Holon at the central synagogue. Lord have mercy on them.

Young Assaf, the son of the priest Tabia Ben Pinchas. Born in Nablus, learned Torah from the priests and integrated into his family's economy. In 1967 he moved to Holon with the two graduates and learned to be a book teacher, a profession where he worked and studied until recently. Carried to a woman the white daughter of Marhaiv, Yarhama Yehova in the synagogue that served 28 years until 2020 as the main shelter after the death of the priest Finachas Ben Avraham Yarhame Yahova, in 1992. Asaf HaCohen was a prayer old man and sang well the many songs and letters of the couple.





He died in Holon

Holon, the evening of the fourth, the second of the new eleven 2.2.2022

The will of **Ben Avraham Ben Saad the extended** (2022-1954) Ratson b. Abraham b. Sa'ed Hamrabi (1954-2022) Buried in Mount Gerizim on the night 2.2.2022 66 years old in his death. A member of the community in Holon. Lord have mercy on them.

## The priest Hezkia Ben Avisha, passed away,

The priest Hezakia=Atami Ben of the HaChag Avisha Ben Finchas

May the Lord have mercy (2022-1936): Holon, Wednesday, 2nd for the new Eleven - 2.2 . 2022 The Priest Ezqaha b. HIgh Priest Abisha b. Phinach Hallibi Buried in Mount Gerizim today 2.2.2022 86 years old in his death. Community clerics at the Central Synagogue in the Hagerazim -. Lord have mercy on them. Priest Hezekiah was born in Nablus and taught the Torah by the great priests. He was involved in the life of the community and the post office and telephone in Nablus. He carried the beloved of his youth, the late Zalfa Bat Afif Altif. One son was born to them, upper = upper. The priest



Hezekiah was in prayer and ministered a number of couple letters. After retiring for pensioners, he opened a store in Nablus. A number of his stories performances at the Treasury of Stories, Holon 2021.



## He died in Holon

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Shoham=Ab-Skwa Ben Saad Shashoni the Danfi, 2022-1943 may the Lord have mercy Holon, Thursday, Sunday for the new ten years 3.3.2022 Shoham=Ab-Sicuwwa b. Saed Sasoni Hadinfi Hammer(1956-2022) Will be buried in Mount Gerizim - 3.3.2022 79 years old in his death. A member of the community in Holon. May the Lord have mercy on them!

## **Prof. Michael Corinaldi** may the Lord have mercy on him 2022-1938

Today in Jerusalem, the lawyer Prof. Michael Corinaldi died, 84 years old was his death. Prof. Corinaldi was born in Italy and died in Jerusalem where a glorious office for legal

advice was established.

Prof. Corinaldi was a legal counsel for the israel testimony and fought for their rights in the courts and the Supreme Court. He breaded and won three claims of newspaper A. B. The Samaritan News, comparing the status of the Samaritans in the treachery to those living in Holon and paying the wages of the Sammaroon priests in Holon is similar to the salary of the Rabbis in Israel.

Prof. Corinaldi represented the newspaper A. B. The Conservatives News. The Samaritan Medal Foundation

gave him a medal. In his many books he also discusses the legal position of the Samaritans in Israel.

## A beautiful daughter was born

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A beautiful daughter, a gift, was born to the beautiful dear and my father Ben Ifatichar and the late Peleg Ben Av-Skwa Altif Danfi

Kiryat Luza, Tuesday - 22.2.2022 - Hon'ble to the Eleventh New Year

New baby Girl named Matana is born in Kiriat Luza, daughter of the pretty Yaqara and Avi b. Iftitacar and Peleg- 22.2..2022.

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Samaritan Weddings: Signed, Sealed, Delivered | Al Jazeera World 77,567 views



## Oct 20, 2021



## Al Jazeera English

The Samaritans are a tiny ethnic-religious community dating back almost 3,000 years – and they are a population in crisis. But perhaps not for long. Marriage agencies in Ukraine have arranged for more than a dozen women to marry into the Samaritan community in Palestine. Many Samaritans live in a mountain village near Nablus in the occupied West Bank and face a worrying numbers problem. There are only 800 surviving Samaritans, where once they were counted in their thousands. Men outnumber women by three to one. Their custom is that a young Samaritan man can only marry a woman from within the community if he has a sister who he can offer as a bride in return. Faced with a fight for survival, a Samaritan religious leader changed the rules to allow Samaritan men to marry women from abroad. While some traditional Samaritans initially resisted the arrival of several Ukrainian brides into this close-knit community, the women are adapting to their new surroundings and providing a population lifeline to this small community.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yB ta0-8asY

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## 10th Congress of the Société d'Etudes Samaritaines Call for Papers

Dear colleagues,

This is to announce the 10th Congress of the Société d'Etudes Samaritaines, which will take place at the Károli Gáspár University and at the Jewish Theological Seminary – University of Jewish Studies, in Budapest (Hungary), 22th-27th July 2022.

The congress will be jointly organized by the SÉS, the Faculty of Theology of the Károli Gáspár University of the Hungarian Reformed Church, and the Jewish Theological Seminary – University of Jewish Studies, Budapest. The Congress of the SÉS meets normally every four years and is the most important meeting of experts working in the field of Samaritan studies worldwide.

Lectures may deal with any aspect of the Samaritan community's past and present: their contemporary life and living conditions, their history, their religion and their laws, their literature and languages etc. Scholars who wish to give a paper at this conference are invited to submit their proposal (see contact below) before 28th February 2022. The proposal should state the paper's topic, purpose, and main arguments, to be evaluated for acceptance by the scientific committee of the conference. A lecture should not exceed 30 min (plus 10 min discussion). SÉS membership is not required at the time of submitting. Junior scholars are especially encouraged to submit a proposal.

Contact: Prof. Dr. József Zsengellér, Jewish Theological Seminary – University of Jewish Studies, Scheiber Sándor utca 2, 1084 Budapest Hungary email: zsengellerj@or-zse.hu If you have any question, don't hesitate to contact us at this address.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Stefan Schorch (President of the SÉS) Prof. Dr. József Zsengellér (OR-ZSE)



**The Samaritans** 

## A witness. Torah. Mountain

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This is the name of the movie in Hebrew, so there's already a name for the movie... And there's a poster I'll post soon.

And here's a glimpse of the moments of Mix Sound in Tel Aviv.

With the amazing and dedicated editor: Tamar Gan Tzvi

Editor of the voice tape - Yossi Rabinovitz. That doesn't let anyone touch the sound track, and treats the movie like a son of a son.

Vafi Balli - the musician who composed wonderful works that took the film a few more levels of



And among all sits Prof. Steven Payne - who came especially from New York to be with us in the final goals of this journey.

ELAI.

He is the initiator and head of every project "The Conservatives are the people of the Bible" Including: An exhibition for which we made films, essay book, cook book, children's book, and our documentary film we worked on for 5 years. Our loan:

At the end of March, a special screening pre-premier in New York, for the people of the university and for the supporters of a film from Israel and abroad. And from there the sky is the limit And as the Conservatives end with a blessing "I will praise her name" - I will thank the Lord Already at this stage ! Moshe Alafi

## Want Photos of Mount Gerizim?

Contact Tomer Altef. Phone 0526511989 Email tomer\_altef@hotmail.com Instagram. Tomer\_altef\_photography



### January/February 2022

#### <u>Videos</u>

<u>Visit Mt. Gerizim 2 – Winter with Snowstorm</u> Shechem Media Feb 12, 2022

<u>Whole House of Israel 10 – Ancient Hebrew</u> Shechem Media Jan. 26, 2022

## **Auctions**

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Lot 216: Samaritan Bronze Ring with Inscription TimeLine Auctions February 22, 2022, 10:00 AM GMT London, United Kingdom Starting Bid £600 Item Overview

#### Description

6th-7th century AD. A bronze finger ring with part of the D-section hoop remaining, large disc bezel bearing an incised central rectangle with saltire and chevron, surrounded by an inscription of twelve characters in Samaritan script. Cf. Guilhou, E., Catalogue of a Collection of Rings formed by the late E. Guilhou, Paris,



1912, item 841, for type. 2.66 grams, 20mm (3/4"). Acquired in the late 1980s-early 1990s. Important North West London collection. The Samaritans are an ethnic and religious sect whose traditions trace their origins in a northern Israelite kingdom which was overrun by the Assyrians in 722 BCE. Samaritans claim descent from Abraham through the biblical tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh. Their schism with mainstream Judaism took place at the end of the 4th century BC. <u>https://timelineauctions.com/lot/bronze-ring-with-inscription/190525/</u>

#### Past Auction results

Auction 50 Part 1 Special premium auction | Judaica, art, Bezalel, paintings and rare Samaritan manuscript By Moreshet

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## Wednesday, Jan 12,

Harav Kook Street 10 Bnei Brak, Israel

## Passed

LOT 030: Unknown autograph of a Samaritan commentary on the Book of Genesis, in Arabic, in rare condition. Nablus, Samaria ...

Unknown autograph of a Samaritan commentary on the Book of Genesis, in Arabic, in rare condition. Nablus, Samaria, 18th century. Thick volume written in uniform, formal Arabic. Contains an autograph of a Samaritan commentary on the Book of Genesis (an



unknown commentary). By Muslam Ibrahim ibn Maryam Denidiya. Nablus (Shechem), Samaria, 18th century. Around 250 leaves, 16x21cm. New binding, thick and high-quality paper, tears and folds in some pages, stains, overall excellent condition. Starting Bid \$3,000.

## Auction by miacollection Sunday Jan. 9, 2022

Lot 38: Samaritan Prayer Book – Israel Holon 1957 Starting bid \$20.00

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## Auction: 23 Samaritan oil lamps:

Ben-Ami Endres (Dec. 15, 2021) Auction 275 Part 1 Archaeology, Judaica and Israeliana By Ben-Ami Endres

https://il.bidspirit.com/ui/search/FUTURE.relevance.all.all.samaritan?lang=en

Lot 92: Five Books of the Torah (Codex) – Samaritan Manuscript – From the Collection of Chacham Yitzchak Binyamin Yehuda Est: \$5,000 - \$8,000 SOLD \$19,000 Kedem Public Auction House Ltd November 23, 2021, 7:00 PM IST Jerusalem, Israel

#### Description

Samaritan manuscript, Five Books of the Torah (codex). Nablus, [19th century].

Particularly beautiful manuscript, on high-quality paper, with widemargins. Copied by the priest Shlomo son of Amram son of Shlomo son of Toviah HaLevi ("from the Kehat family"). Colophon at the end of each Book.

This volume is from the collection of Chacham Yitzchak Binyamin Yechezkel Yehudah (1863-1941), educator, translator, bookseller and Orientalist who studied the history of the Jewish people and Arabic culture. In the early 20th century Chacham Yehudah lived in Darmstadt, Germany, where he traded in books and manuscripts in Hebrew and Oriental languages. In



1906, he immigrated to Cairo, where he opened a bookshop for classical and religious Arabic texts near the al-Azhar mosque. He was renowned as the premier expert on Arabic literature in the region, and he often assisted Muslim scholars as well as Orientalists residing in Cairo. He published a number of books including "The Western Wall" (Jerusalem, 1929), "Fables of the East" (3 volumes, Jerusalem, 1932-1990), and others. In addition to Hebrew and Arabic, Chacham Yehuda was fluent in Ladino, Persian, Yiddish, German, Turkish, English and French. His son-in-law, Prof. Yosef Yoel Rivlin attested that he was "amazingly proficient in Oriental studies and literature, and one of the greatest Jewish researchers".

This volume is stamped with the stamp of Chacham Yehuda's bookshop in Cairo, and bears his signature (from Jerusalem). At the end of the volume, Chacham Yehudah bound a leaf in his own handwriting, quoting several verses introduced by an interesting, unique comment about the custom of Sephardi Jews (and later the Rashash) of reciting these verses whenever three Torah scrolls are removed from the ark for the Shabbat Torah reading: "The ancient custom of Saragossa was to recite these verses whenever three Torah scrolls were removed from the ark on Shabbat or Yom Tov, and the Rashash followed this custom". Five (printed) prayer leaves from siddurim are bound before this leaf. Several handwritten glosses (in pencil) by Chacham Yehuda in the margins of the first chapter of the Book of Bereshit.

[428] pages. 15.5 cm. Good condition. Creases and stains, primarily to first and final leaves, and to endpapers. Some marginal stains. Original, contemporary dark red leather binding, with embossed decorations and leather closure. Some marginal defects to binding; tears to spine. Rare.

Provenance: Collection of Yitzchak Binyamin Yehudah.

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https://www.invaluable.com/auction-lot/five-books-of-the-torah-codex-samaritan-manuscrip-92-c-31d4b61b23

## Auction 83 Part 1 Rare and Important Items

## By Kedem

Tuesday, Nov 23, 12:00 (your local time)

8 Ramban St, Jerusalem., Israel

## Sold for: \$4,375

Collection of Samaritan Seals, 19th and 20th Centuries / Seal of the Samaritan High Priest Thirteen personal seals of Samaritan religious leaders and of the Samaritan High Priest Ya'akov ben Aharon ben Shlomo. Engraved in metal (brass and various white metals). Palestine, mid-19th century and early decades of 20th century.

All seals bear inscriptions in Arabic (except for one which also bears a Hebrew inscription), giving the names of their owners, usually with the added titles "Kahen" (=priest) or "Al-Kahen" (=the priest), along with "Amran" and "Sadaka"; evidently, all the seals belonged to Samaritan priests. Most seals dated.

1. "Atuha (?) Al-Halak Abed Al-Halak 63" (probably 1263 Hijri [= 1847 CE]).

2. "Salam Ali Alamaran 85" (probably 1285 Hijri [= 1868 CE]).

3. "Ra'is Ruhi Ta'aifat Al-Samra" ["Spiritual Leader of the Samaritan Congregation"] Yakoub Haroun Al-Kahen 1297" (1297 Hijri [= 1880 CE]). This is the 120th High Priest of the Samaritan Community, Ya'akov ben Aharon ben Shlomo.

4. "Ishak Kahen 1313" (1313 Hijri [= 1895 CE]).

5. "Shukrallah [in Hebrew] / min (?) Ishak Shukrallah Kahen (?)."

6. "Shafiq Kahen 1321" (1321 Hijri [= 1903 CE]).

7. "Abda Amran Ha-Kohen 1328 (?)" (1328 Hijri [= 1910 CE]).

8. "Sadaka Kahen 328" (1328 Hijri [= 1910 CE]).

9. "Ibrahim A'i (?) 1334" (1334 Hijri [= 1916 CE]).

10. "Taufiq Kahen 1334" (1334 Hijri [= 1916 CE]).

11. "Ishak Sadaka Kahen 1336" (1336 Hijri [= 1918 CE].

12. "Abda Ishak Al-Kahen 1337" (1337 Hijri [= 1919 CE].

13. "Ghazal Al-Kahen 931" (probably 1931 CE).

*Size varies, approx. 1X2 cm to approx. 1.5X2.5 cm; handles 2.4 cm to 4 cm in length. Condition varies, most in good condition.* 

Start price: \$3,500

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Estimated price: \$4,000 - \$6,000, **SOLD \$3,500** 

Buyer's Premium: 25%

VAT: 17% On commission only



## ANTIQUE very rare Miniature Samaritan "Torah Scroll" from Nablus

US \$3,600.00 on <u>eBay</u> Ended: Feb 02, 2022 , 11:44AM **Price: <del>US \$3,600.00</del> Best offer accepted** 

## Located in: Tel Aviv, Israel

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Souvenir for Tourists – Miniature Samaritan "Torah Scroll" – Nablus Paper scroll with verses from the Torah, handwritten in Samaritan script and housed inside sheet metal case in form of Samaritan Torah case. Nablus, [late 19th or early 20th century]. Ink on paper; sheet metal, cut and soldered.

Paper scroll with excerpt from the Torah, handwritten in Samaritan script. Scroll housed in handmade sheet metal case in form of Samaritan Torah case, namely with cylindrical body and with two handles (or rollers) below and three finials above.

The size of the Samaritan community in Palestine shrank dramatically in the 19th century. This was the result, among other factors, of the official hostility of the Ottoman Empire. The decline was so severe that by 1876, the entire Samaritan population numbered no more than 135 individuals. The threat of eradication looming over this ancient community actually served to attract a frenzied wave of attention, and brought about an influx of European scholars and travelers eagerly seeking to acquire all available information regarding Samaritan culture, and to purchase Samaritan manuscripts whenever possible. Objects such as the present scroll were produced in Nablus in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, and sold to tourists as a means of raising money to materially support the community and ensure its physical survival.

Scroll height: 9 cm. Tears, wear, and stains. Most pages of scroll blank, or printed with Arabic text; handwritten Samaritan text handwritten only on small segment in middle of scroll. Case height: 21.5 cm. Minor blemishes, some rust.

Reference: Scripture and Schism: Samaritan and Karaite Treasures from the Library of the Jewish Theological Seminary (New York, NY: The Library), item no. 20.

Very rare and important item, one of a few known to exist, Samaritan religious objects are very scarce and are mostly in the collections of important museums

Or in the collection of the Samaritan community in Israel.



## Visit the Facebook page of **Samaritan restaurants & bar** <u>https://www.facebook.com/Samaritan-restaurants-bar-226015214117547/</u>



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## Future Publications

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The last galleys of our amazing book are now submitted. Can't wait for the documentary and book premiere on Sunday, March 27 at the Center for Jewish History!!!!! Stay tuned for more details! Btw, this volume will retail for less than \$70,

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#### **New Publications**

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Early Christian Scripture and the Samaritan Pentateuch: A Study Hexaplaric Manuscript Activity (Studia Samaritana) By **Bradley John Marsh**, Jr., Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany. De Gruyter (March 14, 2022) English, Hardcover : 320 pages ISBN-10 : 311076069X ISBN-13 : 978-3110760699



#### Jacob's Secrets

We are honored with love and eagerness to invite you to attend the ceremony of the book of secrets of Jacob I am honored to invite you to attend the launch ceremony of my new book "The Secrets of Yaakov" that will be held on Wednesday at 13:00 in the community center. Amazon soon

#### My new book, Jacob's Secrets There are many experiences, and more paths.



بدعوتكم لحضور حفل اشهار كتابه الثاني "اسرار يعقوب" يوم: الاربعاء

> تاريخ: 10\11\2021 الساعة:3-1 عصراً المكان المركز الاجتماعي للطائفة السامرية



With determination and will, we crossed its biggest path and with passion, we wait for the rest of the shores

Before almost the year, my first book was released, meaning leadership is a journey of life.

And today, after the march of the most famous "The Secrets of Jacob"

This is the book that carried young Jacob and how he was young through his age

This book that brought my memory and came out completely recounts my story with days and the story of days with me

With determination and will we made a way.

About a year ago, my first book was published, titled Leadership: A Journey of Life

Today, after a few months journey, I am proud to publish the second book " Secrets of Yaakov "

This is the book that carried young Jacob and how he grew up through the collar of life

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## Volume I Genesis

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In: The Samaritan Pentateuch

Edited by: Stefan Schorch, Martin-Luther-University, Halle-Wittenberg, Germany. De Gruyter | 2021

A critical edition of the Samaritan Pentateuch is one of the most urgent desiderata of Hebrew Bible research. The present volume on Genesis is the second out of a series of five meant to fill this gap. It provides a diplomatic edition of the five books of the Samaritan Torah, based on the oldest preserved Samaritan manuscripts. DOI: <u>https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110711783</u> <u>Genesis (German Edition)</u> (German) Hardcover – March 31, 2021

<u>Samaritan Languages, Texts, and Traditions: History, Texts, and Traditions</u> (Studia Judaica) Hardcover – September 20, 2022 by <u>Stefan Schorch</u> (Author)



#### January/February 2022



Publisher : De Gruyter (September 20, 2022) Language : English Hardcover : 330 pages ISBN-10 : 3110319365 ISBN-13 : 978-3110319361

The volume collects studies in the linguistic, exegetical and historical traditions found in Samaritan texts or pertaining to our understanding of the Samaritans, from antiquity to the present. Apart from the Hebrew Pentateuch, a special focus is laid on sources in Samaritan Arabic and Samaritan Aramaic.

Classical Samaritan Poetry

by <u>Laura Suzanne Lieber</u> Kindle \$119.99, Hardcover \$149.95 Eisenbrauns (April 10, 2022) Language : English Hardcover : 208 pages ISBN-10 : 1646021827 ISBN-13 : 978-1646021826



This book introduces the evocative but largely unknown tradition of Samaritan religious poetry from late antiquity to a new audience. These verses provide a unique window into the Samaritan religious world during a formative period.

Prepared by Laura Suzanne Lieber, this anthology presents annotated English translations of fifty-five Classical Samaritan poems. Lieber introduces each piece, placing it in context with Samaritan religious tradition, the geopolitical turmoil of Palestine in the fourth century CE, and the literary, liturgical, and performative conventions of the Eastern and Western Roman Empires, shared by Jews, Christians, and polytheists. These hymns, composed by three generations of poets—the priest Amram Dara; his son, Marqah; and Marqah's son, Ninna, the last poet to write in Samaritan Aramaic in the period prior to the Muslim conquest—for recitation during the Samaritan Sabbath and festival liturgies remain a core element of Samaritan religious ritual to the present day.

Shedding important new light on the Samaritans' history and on the complicated connections between early Judaism, Christianity, the Samaritan community, and nascent Islam, this volume makes an important contribution to the reception of the history of the Hebrew Bible. It will appeal to a wide audience of students and scholars of the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, early Judaism and early Christianity, and other religions of late antiquity.

Samaritan Cookbook introduces ancient people's cuisine to new global audiences

Filled by recipes, gorgeous photographs and historical background, 'Samaritan Cookbook' provides taste of life in enigmatic community split between Israel and Palestinian Authority By **RENEE GHERT-ZAND - TIMES OF ISRAEL** 

## https://www.timesofisrael.com/samaritan-cookbook-introducesancient-peoples-cuisine-to-new-global-audiences/

Samaritan Cookbook: A Culinary Odyssey from the Ancient Israelites to the Modern Mediterranean [Print Replica] Kindle Edition by <u>Benyamim Tsedaka</u> (Author), <u>Ben Piven</u> (Editor), <u>Avishay</u> Zelmanovich (Editor), <u>Steven Fine</u> (Foreword) Format: Kindle Edition Softcover: \$35.00 at Amazon Kindle: \$19.99 at <u>Amazon</u>



## THE TREASURE OF FOLK STORIES OF THE ISREALITE SAMARITANS IN THREE VOLUMES

The stories of the community that we loved about a thousand pages in total, are stories that run thousands and hundreds of years among the community from the days of Genesis to our days. Folk stories that fathers and elders told boys, privately or in group and community family gatherings.

Most stories are true, that can happen to any of us. Few are accompanied by miracles or natural events. There will hardly be a story that is not related to the characters of most high priests or the event that happened. The stories are most historical. A little bit of stories about the fathers of the world and the fathers of the Israeli nation and most of them are stories in the nineteenth Stories of high priests, priests and elders and young people of the Samaritan Israeli community. The file of hundreds of stories is counted by numbers and every number is permanently in this book, most of the numbers are no longer with us, but their families will continue to remember them and their stories and start to future generations with immense recognition. The stories were recorded in most of them directly from the numbers themselves. Every number preceded to tell about himself and the environment in which he acted, before he opened to tell about the topic of the story. Some of the stories were recorded by my brother Yafet Ben Will Charity [1946 -], High Priest Yaakov Ben Azi [1987-1899] May God have mercy on the Lord and will Benim Tzadka Hazafri [1990-1922] May God have mercy on the Lord and two of them were recorded by the deceased Prof. ' Ornamental Bear and Menachem Kapeliuk RIP. Most of the stories were told to both of us directly in spoken Arabic and minority were written in Modern Hebrew.

All the stories have been filed for this book, kind and translated into Hebrew if necessary and work into a storytelling language that may enjoy the readers in and outside the community - by the writer and editor **Benny Tsedaka** [1944 -]. The two brother's residents of the city of Holon, Israel

Thank you to the numbers who willingly told from their memories, knowing that what they told will be written and released. These are the deceased, the Lord will have mercy on them and the few living will prolong their lives.

#### **Benny Tsedaka**

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#### Har Bracha Tahini

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The Tahina factory of Al-Barakah Mountain, located at the top of Mount Jarzim, was not a cause for harm.

It is a position as a source of livelihood that is lovingly connected between dozens of families, Samaritan families and Islamic families divided together to live

Tahina Jabal Al-Barka factory was not built to be harmed, it is a place to work, a place to create opportunities to fill the suffocating unemployment gaps in the face of everyone's children And as long as you are well

<u>Jac Samri</u>

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#### Studies in Second Temple Judaism: A Global Enterprise

An International Online Conference (January 10-13, 2022)

Schedule (EST-New York Time Zone)

MONDAY, January 10, 2022

8:00am – 8:45am — Welcome & Introduction to the Conference

The Chairs: Kelley Coblentz Bautch, St. Edward's University, USA / Shayna Sheinfeld, University of Sheffield, UK / Rodney Caruthers, Gustavus College, USA

Scott Spector, Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies, Director / Gabriele Boccaccini, Enoch Seminar, Director

8:45am – 9:00am – Break

9:00am – 11:00am — Session 1 PANEL (4 papers, 20 min. each + 5–7 min. discussants + discussion)

Chair: Tupa Guerra

Hila Dayfani, Oriel College, University of Oxford, "Reconsidering the Distinction between the Pre-Samaritan and Samaritan Layers in the Samaritan Pentateuch" [**Powerpoint**]

Learn To Write Samaritan (Illustrated): Foreign Language Learning Workbook. Ancient Languages. (LTW Language Learning Series) Paperback – December 29, 2021 by <u>Chriselda Barretto</u>

The Samaritan script is used by the Samaritans for religious writings, including the Samaritan Pentateuch, writings in Samaritan Hebrew, and for commentaries and translations in Samaritan Aramaic and occasionally Arabic.

Samaritan is a direct descendant of the Paleo-Hebrew alphabet, which was a variety of the Phoenician alphabet. The Samaritan script is written from right to left in horizontal lines.

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B09P5LVWJC

From the Editor of the SU: not worth the money unless you are actually learning to write Samaritan, then it may be helpful!



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## Newspaper Clipping

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## World's Smallest Nation Guards Ancient Identity



NABLUS, Palestine, Oct. 9—A mere handful of people, huddled in the out-of-the-way and derelict city of Nablus, the ancient Shechem of the Bible, about forty miles north of the Holy City, the Samaritans rightly claim the distinction of being the smallest nation on earth as well.as one of the most ancient in existence.

The city of Nablus, in which they have been living for generations, was once a centre of activities of tremendous import which have left their impress upon the history of both Judaism and Christianity. Father Abraham knew it and his grandson Jacob spread his tents therein. It was later the capital of the Israelitish kingdom.

But its reputation as a political and strategic centre continued through subsequent ages, and in the early days of Christianity we find St. Peter and St. John broadcasting good tidings about numerous conversions they succeeded to make in that city. In speaking of Samaritans one need hardly mention the story of the Good Samaritan, whose benevolence and magnanimity was to serve as an example and a warning to others.

REFUSE TO INTERMARRY This small band of Samaritans live



The city of Nablus (Schechem) viewed from Mount Gerizim, the sanctuary of the ancient Samaritans. To the right is shown High Priest Jacob chief executive of the tiny nation.

in a corner of the fanatic city of Nablus, and they have survived to this day, though in deplorably diminishing numbers, amidst the most backward and bigotted Moslem surroundings. There is nothing striking which

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been inge concludes: "I have laid bare my hopes and fears for the country I love. This much I avow, that never, even when the stormclouds appear blackest, have I been tempted to wish I was other than an Englishman."

In real life the Dean is the reverse of gloomy. He is a delightful companion and full of gaiety. He is an authority on life in Rome under the Caesars, and like many a classical scholar is not very happy at mathematics. He was condoling once with a promising boy who was lamentably weak in that exact science. "Personally," he said sympathetically, "I regard mathematics as a species of low cunning."

characterizes their religion apart from a steadfast refusal to admit the sanctity of Mount Moriah in Jerusalem, for which Samaritans substitute Mount Gerizim, near Shechem, the Mountain of Blessings to them to this day. Though continually on the decrease, they would intermarry with neither Jews nor Arabs. It is this stubbornness which has helped them preserve their racial purity.

Their most important feast, the feast of Passover, is celebrated with considerable pomp. The blood sacrifice, which is the main element in the celebration of Passover on Mount Gerizim, attracts crowds from other cities of Palestine, Syria and Egypt.

Se The priests in their glorious ecbr clesiastical regalia assemble around m the altar attended by the whole confi gregation. Seven lambs are brought ar to the altar amidst cries of rejoicing th and jubilations. The lambs are cleansed, fleeced and, before they are roasted, their blood is sprinkled ar at the doorsteps of the Samaritan W congregation. The meat is then ca eaten with unleavened bread and bitw ter herb. de

The Samaritans are headed by their High Priest Jacob, who had assumed his priesthood by heredity. m er A wonderful patriarchal figure, tall H of physique, with alert Semitic eyes, fi the High Priest Jacob cuts a tragic figure as a humble king of the smallst est nations. He is, moreover, a man N of the world, having traveled far and wide. His name is well known to Paris and London antiquarians. p To ris sagacity and wisdom the Saha maritan community owes its own preservation in the face of terrible er oppressions they had to stand at the Ca hands of the unusually fanatical la Moslem community of Nablus, the pr most fanatical of its kind in the so whole of Palestine.

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# The singer's manuscript in abbreviating Al-Tawtea's BookA Grammar of the Samaritan Language (A study and Investigation)

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The singer's book *Al-Muġniya fī iḫtiṣār at-tawți'a*, is by Eleazar Ben Pinḥas b. Yūsuf, different in its arrangement and subject than the book of Tawtea in the grammar of Hebrew and Samaritan languages by Abu Ishaq Ibrahim B. farag As-samiri, whereas the author of the singer's book had added some corrections that he suggested to the Book of Al-Tawtea. We are trying in this paper to present a study and investigate the manuscript of the book of Tawtea that is called " the singer in abbreviating the Tawtea" that had written as texts which is known in Semitic linguistics (Arabic- Samaritan), that had narrated in both languages, The Hebrew and the Samaritan. These literal outputs that had uttered at the middles ages (Bilingual ) written by the Samaritan sect at the field of language, literature, Jurisprudence, Mosaic Act regarding the Samaritan doctrine.

The purpose of this paper is to make a Universal investigation and comparison between the two copies of the singer's book in abbreviating Al-Tawtea by the Priest author Al-Azer Bin Fanhass, we have obtained the first copy from University of Lidan's library in Holland, and the second copy from Saint Petersburg which indicates the importance of this book in Hebrew and Samaritan language, in addition to a linguistic study.

## Chalmers, Matthew

Samaritans, Biblical Studies, and Ancient Judaism: Recent Trends.

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In this article, I survey recent trends in Samaritan studies, with a particular focus on biblical studies and the interactions of Samaritan Israelites with other religious traditions. While remaining entrenched in discussion of the origins of Samaritans, scholars have firmly embraced the idea of processual Samaritan identity, emerging over time and in a non-genealogical sense alongside and interwoven with Judean/Jewish self-definition. Extensive work clusters, in particular, at three nodes: the study of Hebrew-language scriptures, archaeological excavations, and the remodeling of identity-production in a constructivist form. I also sketch out the directions in which the field is moving, with growing and productive emphasis on Aramaic, Arabic, and late antiquity. Finally, I identify some of the quirks of Samaritan studies as it might be encountered, in particular a continued effort to salvage Samaritans for biblical studies, somewhat intermittent interdisciplinarity, and practices of engagement with Samaritan Israelites themselves.

## Hacham, Yariv

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<u>Niphalisation in Ancient Hebrew: A Perspective from the Samaritan Tradition: SBL Annual</u> <u>Meeting 2020 Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Seminar: Samaritan Hebrew and Dialectal Diversity</u> <u>in Second Temple Hebrew January 2022 Journal for Semitics</u>

A development in verbal morphology common to multiple forms of ancient Hebrew involves the shift of stative, intransitive, and weakly transitive verbs from G-stem (qal) to N-stem (niphal). Like other Hebrew traditions that crystallised in the Second Temple period, the reading tradition of the Samaritan Pentateuch (consisting of the oral realisation of the constituent consonantal, vocalic, and prosodic components) presents a relatively advanced stage of the shift. Against this tendency, however, Samaritan Hebrew also at times appears to preserve archaic qal morphology. This study surveys salient manifestations of "niphalisation" in Samaritan Hebrew, contrasting them with parallel features in

Tiberian Hebrew and other forms of ancient Hebrew and Aramaic, especially Second Temple varieties, and seeks to reveal salient commonalities. While highlighting pertinent secondary features common to Second Temple period sources, the paper also emphasises the historical depth of the shift from qal to niphal.

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When Human Rights Go Wrong: The Limits of International Human Rights Law in Two Case Studies from the Arab Region 2022

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