



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



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January 2022, the Samaritan Community number about 850.

Future Events

Seventh Month 3661 Monday evening, 24 October 2022
Eighth Month 3661 Wednesday evening, 24 November 2022
Ninth Month 3661 Thursday evening, 23 December 2022
Tenth Month 3661 Saturday evening, 22 January 2023
Eleventh Month 3661 Saturday evening, 21 February 2023

**Future Dates of the Samaritan Passover Sacrifice on Mount
Gerizim**

Passover Sacrifice 3661- Wednesday evening May 3, 2023
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**Births**



A beautiful girl was born in Holon.

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A beautiful daughter named Eli was born in Holon to Noy and  
Avraham Ben Sarah and Yaakov Ben Yakira and Avraham  
Tzadka Hatzafari in a good time.

Holon, Thursday 8.12.2022 - Yeh for the ninth new.

New baby her name Eli is born in Holon, daughter of the pretty  
Noy and Abraham b. Sarah and Yacob Tsedaka Hasafari -  
8.12.2022

A beautiful son was born in Holon.

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A beautiful son was born in Holon and his name in Israel will be  
called on the day of mourning to the beautiful Katia and Barak  
Ben Soha and Adi Merhiv the Merhivi

Holon, Sunday. 25.12.2022 - Tuesday for the tenth New Year.

New baby boy born in Holon, will be named at the Eighth day  
son of the pretty Katia and Barak b. Suha and Adi marchib  
Hamarihibi -25.12.2022

**Haseeb Shehadeh's Five Articles****الفراق صعبُ**

قصة الكاهن عطا الله إبراهيم خضر الحفتاوي 1930-2013

Farewell is Hard

A Story by the Cohen 'Aṭallah Ibrāhīm Khaḍir al-Ḥiftāwī

ترجمة حسيب شحادة

جامعة هلسنكي

בנימים צדקה (כתב וערך), אוצר הסיפורים העממיים של הישראלים השומרונים. מכון א.  
ב. ללימודי השומרוניות, הרגלים-חולון 2021, כרך ב' עמ' 515-516.

**وداع أخي البكر خضر**

في العام 1992 وقفتُ هناك بجانب قبر أخي الجديد، أهرز رأسي لعبارات مشاطرة أبناء الطائفة بالحنن، مططّيء الرأس نحو القبر ذي الثلاثين يوماً، رافضاً التصديق بأنّ هذا هو فراقنا الأخير. إنّه يُبقيني في هذه الدنيا وهو يسير في طريق كلّ آدميٍّ إلى عالم الله، إله أرواح جميع البشر، ولا أحدٌ عاد من هناك. وقفتُ هناك، جسمي هناك، وروحي ليست معي.

Continue reading at: <https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/Farewellishard.pdf>

**الصوم حسن للصحة**

قصة مسعودة ابنة عزات الستري 1936-2004

Fasting is Good for Health

A Story by Mas'ūda, Daughter of Shafiq al-Sutri 1936-2004

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ב. ללימודי השומרוניות, הרגלים-חולון 2021, כרך ב' עמ' 494-497.

**”طبيب“ أم الأصحّ - قصّاب**

شَتَّانَ بين ما كان في الماضي وما يحدث اليوم. ها نحن، عند سماعنا سُعالاً قليلاً لمولود جديد، سرعان ما نكون على أهبة الاستعداد، نستدعي حالاً أفضل طبيب متاح، فيُجري للطفل سلسلة مطوّلة من الفحوصات، يسجّل الأدوية المناسبة، وينتهي الأمر بسلام حتّى السعال القادم.

Continue reading at: <https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/FastingisGoodforHealth.pdf>

## الشباب الشجعان

بقلم الكاهن الأكبر، سلوم بن عمران 1922–2004

The Brave Youth

A Story by the High Priest, Sallūm Son of Imrān 1922-2004

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ללימודי השומרונות, הרגרזים-חולון 2021, כרך ב' עמ' 573-576.

الله ميراثنا

نعم، نعم، إنني أستريح هنا من عمل اليوم، في غرفة الضيافة الجميلة التي بنيتها لي بجوار بيتي الكبير على جبل جريزيم، في المدخل الغربي لقرية لوزا. هنا أستقبل ضيوفاً من أبناء الطائفة، وضيوفاً آخرين سمعوا عنّي فيأتون إليّ طلباً للمشورة بخصوص مشاكل شخصيّة. وغالباً ما يتمّ حل المشكلات بفضل بركة الله الموعودة، كما ورد في التوراة، لبني ليقي/عاطف.

Continue reading at: <https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/TheBraveYouth.pdf>

## احذروا في تكريم الموتى

بقلم مرجان أسعد مرجان السراوي الدنفي، 1943–

Be Careful with Honouring the Dead

A Story by Murḡān As'ad Murḡān al-Sarāwī al-Danafī, 1943-

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ב. ללימודי השומרונות, הרגרזים-חולון 2021, כרך ב' עמ' 324–326.

זמן مناسب לקצב شعبية

ما أنوي أن أقصّه عليك على عجل، هو قصصٌ عن الحياة في نابلس. بعضها حصل قبل ولادتي وبعضها كنت شاهدَ عيان لها، بالرغم من أنني ما زلتُ حديث السنّ نسبياً، في العقد الخامس من عمري. قسم من هذه القصص القصيرة، متداول بين أفراد عائلتي. يمكن الاستماع لها ولأخرى كثيرة شبيهة، في ليالي الشتاء الباردة عند تحلق العائلة حول منقل/كانون/طبّاخ مملوء بالجمر، أو إبريق الشاي الكبير، أو عند استنشاق دخان الأرجيلة؛ حينها تتدفّق القصص.

Continue reading at: <https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/becarefulwithHonouringtheDead.pdf>

**كَنْزُ الْقِصَصِ الشَّعْبِيَّةِ لِلإِسْرَائِيلِيِّينَ السَّامِرِيِّينَ**  
**אוצר הסיפורים העממיים של הישראלים השומרונים**  
**The Treasure of Folk Stories of Israelite Samaritans**

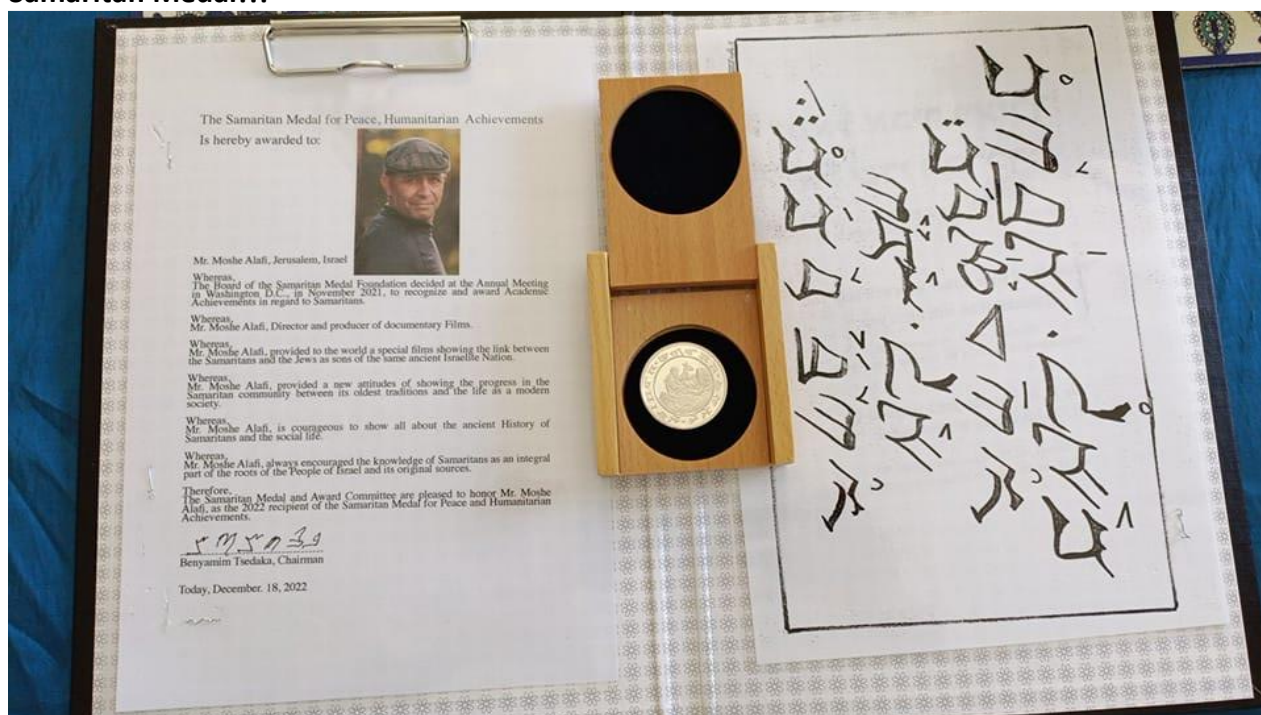
عرض ومراجعة  
 ب. حسيب شحادة  
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 ב. ללימודי השומרונות. הרגריזים-חולון 2021, שלושה כרכים א, ב, ג.  
 אי: בנְיָאִיִּם תְּשִׁידְכֶה/אָמִיִּן סִדְקָה (כתב ונָתַח), כְּנִזְּ הַלְּקִסָּס הַשְּׁעִבִי לַלְּאִסְרָאִילִיִּין הַסַּמְרִיִּין. מַעְהָד א. ב.  
 ללדראסאט הַסַּמְרִיִּי, גִּבְלִי צִרִיזִיִּם-חֻלּוֹן 2021, תְּלָאִת מַגְלָדָּת א, ב, ג.

תִּצְמָּ הַזֶּה מַגְלָדָּת הַתְּלָאִת 833 סִפְחָה, בְּהַז הַתְּרִיב: מַגְלָדָּת הָאִוֶּלֶת 1-312; מַגְלָדָּת הַתְּאִנִּי 313-582; מַגְלָדָּת הַתְּאִלֶּת 583-833. וְהַנֶּלֶק מִקְדָּמָה וּפְהָרָס בְּאִסְמָא הַקָּאֻסִּין וְהַלְּקִסָּס. וְהַזֶּה הַכְּתָב מְהִידִי לְבִנְאֵי הַטָּאֻנֶּה הָאִסְרָאִילִיִּיִּת הַסַּמְרִיִּיִּת הַחֻקִּיִּת, הַלְּהֵנָה וְהָאִסְרָאִילִיִּין, הַקָּאֻטִּיִּין בְּנָבִלָס וּפִי חֻלּוֹן, וְעִדְדֵהֶם 870 שְׁחֻסָּא.

Continue reading at: <https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/thetreasureofFolkStories.pdf>

### Samaritan Medal!!!



**Facebook Post: Dec. 20, 2022**

**Moshe Alfi**, received the **Samaritan Medal** for Human Achievements.

So... Last night at the end of the screening I was awarded the Samaritans Medal by Benim and Yeth Tadka. Her text in English was read by Prof. Stephen Paine from the university meeting.

And I'm still very excited about the screening from the status and the privilege to tell the story of the guards' testimony.

To the Jews and all the inhabitants of Israel and the world.

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[Ben Sedaka on Facebook](#)

Post Jan. 5, 2023



The movie about "The Yeast" at the Begin Heritage Center in Jerusalem.

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Save the date:

Monday Sunday in Shebat 23/1/2023 at 20:00.

At the Menachem Begin Heritage Center in Jerusalem.

Special screening of the movie "The Samaritans Witness Torah Mount"

In the presence of the creators and the main chancellor of the Samaritan community in Har Grizim.

The priest Najah succeeds - who is also one of the heroes of the movie

[#Tickets](#) at the Menachem Begin Heritage Center box office

Limited number of seats

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### Videos or Audios

**Director Moshe Alfi: "The Samaritan Community is at a Critical Moment**

[https://www.inn.co.il/news/585202/?utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=share&utm\\_content=1670421240633](https://www.inn.co.il/news/585202/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=share&utm_content=1670421240633)

**Talking about Samaritans: Mori Michael Bar-Ron**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kBVbyS9BEG8>

**Abood Cohen**

**Commenting on Photos About the Samaritan Community**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4F7Rc\\_WhY4s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4F7Rc_WhY4s)

**New film offers look at 3,500 years of Samaritan history**

<https://www.israelhayom.com/2022/12/20/860945/>

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Projecteur sur la communauté samaritaine en Israël

Par **RENEE GHERT-ZAND** 16 décembre 2022

<https://fr.timesofisrael.com/projecteur-sur-la-communaute-samaritaine-en-israel/>

The Samaritan Synagogue

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=clBwp_6GOfA

The Holiest Place For Samaritans

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/ZoYeTce7D8Q>

The Samaritan Passover

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/N7c6AO1FH6c>

Sunset from the top of the sacred mountain of the Samaritans: HarGerizim

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/-HTglz6utfc>

The meaning of Shechem (Nablus today)

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/KMIMkBUnafM>

Visiting The Samaritan Tahini Factory

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/QVAHUfHxe0U>

Shavuot de los Samaritanos Monte Grizim

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XEpVPptkAlg>

Samaritans say Allah for god of Israel / we worship the same allah=god

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DzkLGLHY32k>

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**Ori Orhof Photos on [Flickr](#)**

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Want Photos of Mount Gerizim?

Contact Tomer Altef.

Phone 0526511989

Email tomer_altef@hotmail.com

Instagram. [Tomer_altef_photography](https://www.instagram.com/tomer_altef_photography)

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tomer **Altef** ©  
Studio

### **Abood Cohen**

Talking about Samaritans: Mori Michael Bar-Ron

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kBVbyS9BEG8>

Abood Cohen

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Visit The-Samaritans.net

<https://www.the-samaritans.net/>

Visit the Facebook page of Samaritan
restaurants & bar

<https://www.facebook.com/Samaritan-restaurants-bar-226015214117547/>



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Also visit the website of The Samaritan Museum

<https://samaritanmuseum.com/>

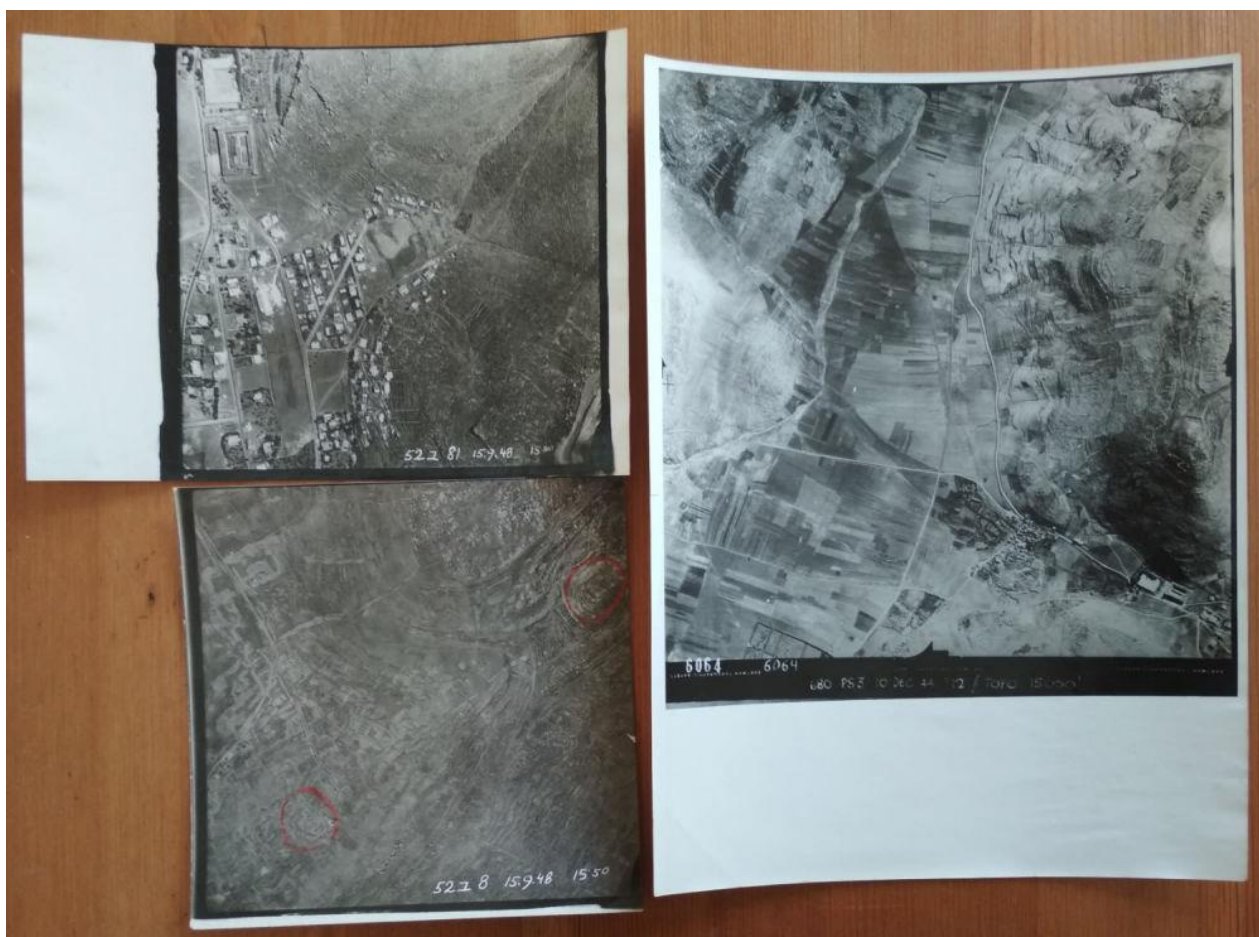
### **Auction**

#### **Auction 14**

By Susita Auctions

Dec 20, 2022

Klil, Western Galilee, Israel



### Lot 5, NABLUS RARE 1940S AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS & ARTICLE ON MOUNT GERIZIM

9 Aerial photographs taken by the young IDF Israeli Air Force, showing the small city or town, and the mountains of Ebal and Gerizim.

The photographs are dated 15.9.48, only a few months after the establishment of the State of Israel, while the War of Independence was still going on!!

These photos are part of a research on Mount of Gerizim. For the Samaritan people מִינוֹרְמוֹשׁ, most of whom live around it, Mount Gerizim is considered the holiest place on Earth.

The research was made as part of soil research and reports made by Prof. Adolph Reifenberg of the Hebrew University.

6 are around 5.5x5.5 inch / 13.5x13.5 cm. One is a collage – made of parts of 4 aerial photographs, and is around 8.5x7.5 inch / 22x18.5 cm.

3 of the photos have a stamp on back "SECRET, Photographed by the Israeli Air Force...".

Also included is an article from 1948 or 1949 on Mount Gerizim, in 4 versions – handwritten in German, and typewritten copies in English and German. Probably by Prof. Adolph Reifenberg. The article refers to the aerial photographs and details what can be learned from them.

Very good condition. Minor time flaws.

<https://il.bidspirit.com/ui/lotPage/susita/source/search/auction/29238/lot/132376/NABLUS-RARE-1940S-AERIAL?lang=en>

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Publications

[YU Center for Israel Studies](#)

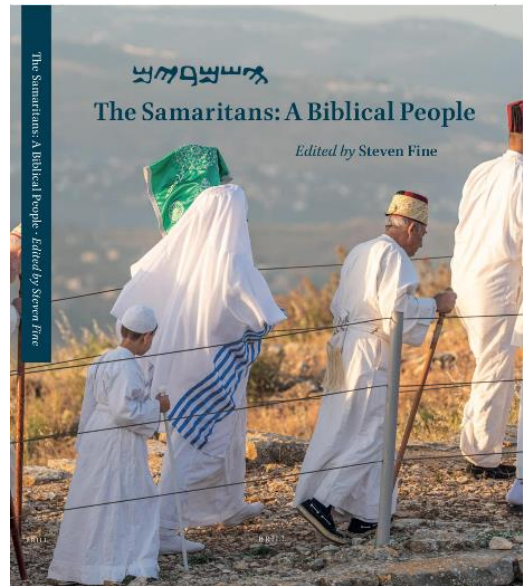
The last galleys of our amazing book are now submitted. Can't wait for the documentary and book premiere on Sunday, March 27 at the Center for Jewish History!!!! Stay tuned for more details! Btw, this volume will retail for less than \$70, thanks to support from YU Press.

Hard Cover Publication Date: 16 Mar 2022

PDF Available

[Brill](#) and [Amazon.com](#)

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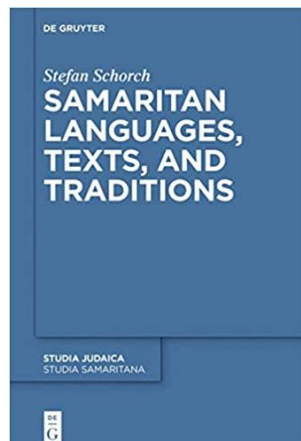
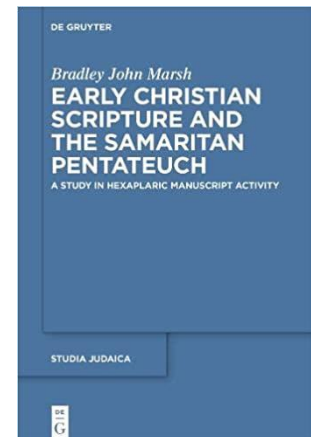


### [Early Christian Scripture and the Samaritan Pentateuch: A Study in Hexaplaric Manuscript Activity](#) (Studia Samaritana)

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



### [Samaritan Languages, Texts, and Traditions:](#)

[History, Texts, and Traditions](#) (Studia

Judaica) Hardcover – September 20, 2022

by [Stefan Schorch](#) (Author)

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.

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Classical Samaritan Poetryby [Laura Suzanne Lieber](#)

Kindle \$119.99, Hardcover \$149.95

Eisenbrauns (April 10, 2022)

Language : English

Hardcover : 208 pages

ISBN-10 : 1646021827

ISBN-13 : 978-1646021826

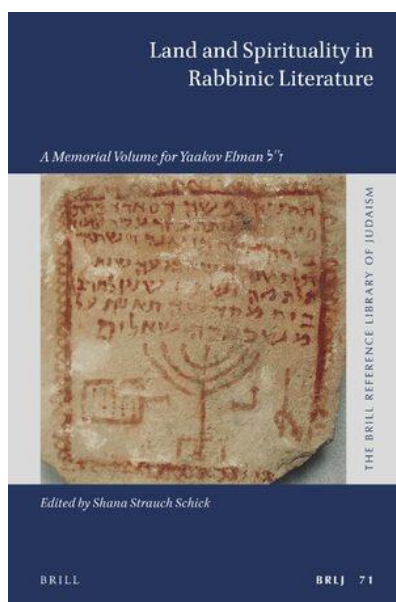
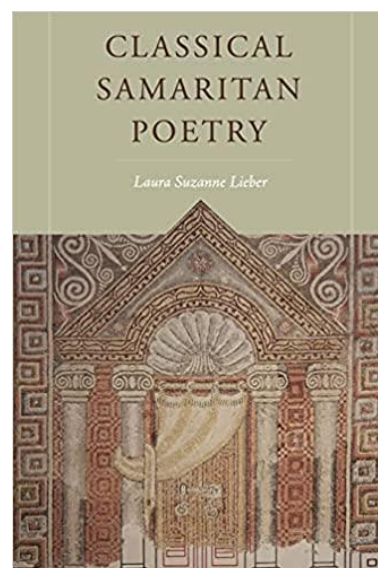
Introduction

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.

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**Land and Spirituality in Rabbinic Literature****A Memorial Volume for Yaakov Elman 5'7'****Series: [The Brill Reference Library of Judaism](#), Volume: 71****Editor: [Shana Strauch Schick](#)**

This volume is devoted to the texts, traditions, and practices of the Land of Israel from the end of the Second Temple period through late antiquity. Based upon a conference organized by the Yeshiva University Center for Israel Studies, this collection uses a range of critical methodologies and sources, including the Palestinian and Babylonian Talmudim, archaeology, and Samaritan and Jewish liturgical poetry. It presents a vibrant, complex, and multi-layered series of snapshots of rabbinic culture, written by leading contemporary scholars.

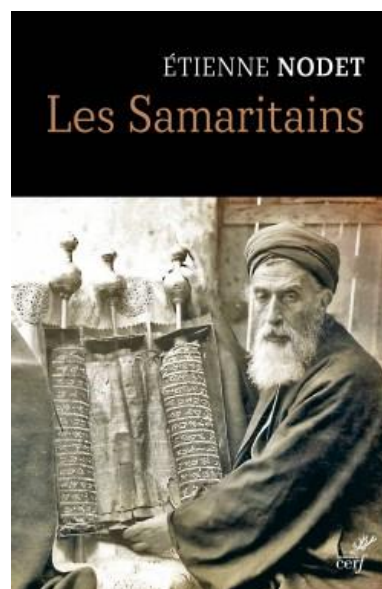
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Les Samaritainsde Étienne Nodet

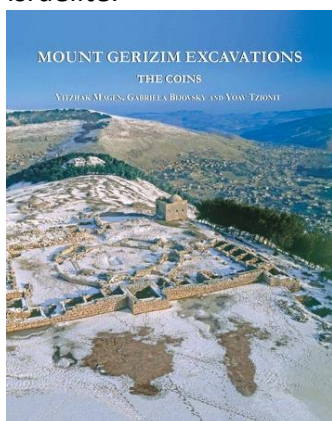
264 pages - avril 2022

24,00€

Qui sont les Samaritains de la Bible ? Comment se sont-ils agrégés dans la Palestine antique autour de leur temple sur le mont Garizim ? Quel effet a eu sur eux le fait de ne pas connaître l'Exil ? À quoi doivent-ils leur si mauvaise réputation ? Comment se fait-il que, de l'Ancien Testament à l'Évangile, leur judaïsme dégradé les érige en contre-exemple, ce dont le « bon Samaritain », qui fait mentir l'image reçue, constitue la preuve indirecte ? Et pourquoi se sont-ils étiolés à partir de la romanité chrétienne ?



Voici la plus grande investigation jamais entreprise sur l'origine des Samaritains, établissant leur généalogie, dévoilant leur histoire. L'examen critique des écrits de Flavius Josèphe, la confrontation des traditions juives et de l'histoire, l'étude comparée des sources archéologiques permettent au bibliste Étienne Nodet d'éclairer leur mystère et de restaurer leur identité israélite.



JSP XIX: Mount Gerizim Excavations. The coins.

This is the third volume dedicated to the excavations at Mount Gerizim, which began in the early 1980s and lasted for 25 years. The book describes thousands of coins that have been discovered in the excavations at Mount Gerizim, from the Persian period in the fifth century BCE until the end of the Byzantine period, the seventh century CE.

The first section in the book is dedicated to the history of Mount Gerizim and Samaritans, from the destruction of Samaria until the Samaritan revolt in the Byzantine period.

The numismatic section includes a comprehensive discussion of the coins that have been discovered in the excavations, it also an elaborated catalogue of the coins organized by chronology, mints and types.

Yitzhak Magen, Gabriela Bijovsky and Yoav Tzionit; Editor: Ayelet Hashahar Malka; 271 pp.; color photographs; color plates; Hardcover. 2022

Supplies are limited. https://www.antiquities.org.il/EShopProducts_eng.aspx?Category_id=17

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**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-introduces-ancient-peoples-cuisine-to-new-global-audiences/>



**Samaritan Cookbook: A Culinary Odyssey from the Ancient Israelites to the Modern Mediterranean** [Print Replica] Kindle Edition

by [Benyamim Tsedaka](#) (Author), [Ben Piven](#) (Editor), [Avishay Zelmanovich](#) (Editor), [Steven Fine](#) (Foreword) Format: Kindle Edition

Softcover: \$35.00 at Amazon

Kindle: \$19.99 at [Amazon](#)

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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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