



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

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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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Marriages

A new couple in Holon:

Moore (26) daughter of Mai and the late priest Avraham Ben Pinchas from Holon married Melody (29) Ben Mimi and Avraham Ben Ishmael Danafi, Samaria neighborhood in Holon. Monday evening, Sunday to the eighth new, 24.10.2022

A NEW COUPLE IN HOLON

MOR (26) d. May and late Priest Abraham b. Phinhas from Holon married to Hen(29) b. Mimi and Abraham b. Yishmael from Holon Monday evening 24.10.2022

This evening their wedding ceremony took place, which was held in the majority of the people in the Simchot Hall, and among the brothers and uncles, sisters and aunts of the happy couple. The couple is moving to a new apartment in Holon tonight.

The Cohen Yefet Ben the great Cohen who sang well the pairing letter of starting a new family in the battle of the Danafim father and the entire Israeli-Samaritan community.

Raise your family and produce sons and daughters in the battle Israel

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Prayer: "May will fill her sharpness and perfect her sharpness and follow all her needs and meet her, and her bride and groom will reward Hannah and her grace and success. Amen"= Our God will fill the joy and make a complete joy, and its repercussions to all those in need, and treasure the guests and the bride will be rewarded with grace and grace and success. Amen.

In the days of charity



Births



New baby is born in Holon, daughter of the pretty Yofia daughter of Nogah and Yair b Yafah and Yosef Tsedaka and Yosi b.Racheli and Ovavia Tsedaka Hassafari 8.9.2022

A beautiful girl was born in Holon.

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A beautiful daughter was born in Holon to the beautiful Tal the daughter of Iris and Yuval Ben Malka and Joseph Joshua and to bring a son of Nava and Baruch Ben Avraham Marhiv.

Holon, Friday 14.10.2022

See image to left.

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**الإسرائيليين السامريون**  
**شعب صغير وخاص، يسعى للسلام**  
**Who We Are the Israelite Samaritans?**  
**A Small and Especial People, Striving for Peace**  
 translated by:  
 Haseeb Shehadeh, Helsinki University

في ما يلي ترجمة عربية لكلمة السيد بنيامين راضي صدقة (١٩٤٤ - ) في افتتاحية المؤتمر الحادي عشر أو العاشر (هنالك من لا يُحصى اللقاء الأول، المائدة المستديرة) للدراسات السامريّة، الذي عُقد بتاريخ 22-26 تمّوز 2022 في بودبيست. لأسباب صحيّة لم يتمكّن بنيامين صدقة من حضور هذا المؤتمر، فقرئت كلمته بالنيابة عنه (read in absentia). يُذكر أنّ صدقة، المولود في نابلس والمقيم في مدينة حولون بالقرب من تل أبيب، هو أحد مؤسّسي جمعية الدراسات السامريّة SES - Société des Études Samaritaines في باريس في خريف العام 1985. كان الأب والمستشرق الفرنسيّ (1917-2007) Guy Dominique Sixdenier المبادر، الرأس المنظم، والداعم المادّي لتأسيس هذه الجمعية. ومن مؤسّسيها لم يبقَ على قيد الحياة سوى اثنين آخرين هما الأستاذ أبراهام طال وكاتب هذه السطور.

Continue reading at: [https://shomron0.tripod.com/2022/who\\_we\\_are.pdf](https://shomron0.tripod.com/2022/who_we_are.pdf)

**ماذا كتب السير تشارلز وارن عن زيارته القصيرة للسامريين**  
**قبل قرن ونصف تقريباً، وملحق اقتباسات مما كتبه ج. ميلز**  
**قبل ذلك بعشرين عاماً**

**What Did Sir Charles Warren Write about his Short Visit**  
**to the Samaritans about a Century and a Half Ago, and an Appendix of**  
**Quotations from J. Mills Twenty Years before that**

**מה כתב האדון צ'ארלז וארן אודות ביקורו הקצר אצל**  
**השומרונים לפני מאה וחמשים שנה בערך ונספח של ציטטות**  
**ממה שכתב ג' מילז עשרים שנה לפני כן**

Haseeb Shehadeh  
Helsinki University

Charles Warren, Underground Jerusalem: An Account of some of the Principal Difficulties Encountered in its Exploration and the Results Obtained. With a Narrative of: An Expedition through the Jordan Valley and a Visit to the Samaritans. London: Richard Bentley and Son, 1876 (594 pp.).

تشارلز وارن ، القدس تحت الأرض: سرّد لبعض الصعوبات الرئيسيّة التي تمّت مواجهتها في استكشافها والنتائج التي تمّ الحصول عليها. مع سرد: رحلة استكشافية عبر وادي الأردن وزيارة السامريين. لندن: ريتشارد بنتلي وابنه ، 1876 (594 صفحة).

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حُسْنِي الْحَفِيد وَحُسْنِي الْجَد/سِيدُو، وَالْمَغْلَفُ الْبَنِي  
 Husni the Grandson, Husni the Grandfather/Sido  
 and the Brown Envelope  
 ترجمة حسيب شحادة  
 جامعة هلسنكي

في ما يلي ترجمة عربية لما كتبه بالعبرية الصديق السامري، حُسْنِي راضي الأمين صدقة، المولود في نابلس في العام 1946 والمقيم في مدينة حولون بالقرب من تل أبيب، في الدورية السامرية أ. ب. - أخبار السامرة، في العديدين 1369-1370، ص. 16-18، عما جرى له مع جده، أبي والدته، حُسْنِي (يَفْت) بن إبراهيم صدقة الصباحي المشهور بالكُنية سيدو، 1895-1982. سيدو خُلف ابنين وخمس بنات، وكان رئيس الطائفة السامرية في إسرائيل، يافا فحولون، وربطته علاقة صداقة متينة بيتسحاك بن تسفي (1884-1963). الرئيس الثاني لدولة إسرائيل، الذي سكن عنده في بيته في يافا إثر قدومه إلى فلسطين في العام 1907 وتعلّم العربية على يديه وبدأ اهتمامه بالسامريين.

”ذات يوم صافٍ، قرّرتُ أن أُبدّل سيّارتي NSU الصغيرة بسيّارة أكبرَ بقليل، لأنّ عائلتي أخذت بالنماء، والحمد لله. دأبتُ على زيارة سيدو في بيته كلّ يوم بعد العمل، والمكوث عنده نصف ساعة وأحياناً ساعة وأكثر. هذا كان روتينياً بالنسبة لي. حييتُ يوماً بشعور أنّني مدين لهذا الرجل طوال عمري، لما كان يرمز لي أكثر بكثير من مجرد جدّ آخر، لما كلّ ما عمله من أجلي في الحياة. إنّه أنقذني من الموت، عندما كنت طفلاً، وبفضله لم أصب بعاقة مدى الحياة، وذلك لعناده وإيمانه العظيم بعهمة الله.

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Ben Sedaka Facebook Post

Oct. 9, 2022

Today after midnight at two o'clock the pilgrimage to exaggerate will begin. Five buses left Holon to the mountain and will join the Mountain Samaritans to visit seven stations up to Givat Olam and then go down to Sukkot.

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**Ben Sedaka** Facebook Post

Oct. 9, 2022

Towards the Sakot holiday, the Sukkah is complete.

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Evening holidays completed and ready for visits starting tomorrow 10.10. Miriam my wife, Efrat my daughter and Roy my son made sure that the sukkah was perfect with all four species: citrus fruit, dates, thick tree branches and stream Arabs. The decorations and the lights adorn the sukkah. Menashe Tzadka donated both solutions. Every year and you are fine.

In the bottom picture, the hanging eggplants were added as we learned Mami Batya Tadaka Yarhama Yahweh.

In the days of charity





### **Know What to Say Back Concerning Sukkot:**

Ten frequently asked questions about the sukkah of Samaritan Israelis and the correct answers to them

By: **Benyamim Tsedaka**

As you know, the number of Sukkot in the two neighborhoods, Kiryat Luza on the Hargerzim and in the Shomronim neighborhood in Holon, reaches in total about 150 Sukkot, which are large and which are small and which are medium in size. All the Sukkot, without exception guests from Israel and the world are ordered, in individuals, in couples, families and groups. Members of the Israeli-Sameranian community who are dear to my heart, become explaining forcefully and willingly, and they ask many questions. The writer refers to the most common questions under the Sukkot.

It's important that we all respond correctly.

In general, the writer recommends, to anyone who asks, that he will receive additional information or correct, in the questions that bother him, by phone directly to the writer 0525333104, or visit our website online [sedakab@yahoo.com](mailto:sedakab@yahoo.com) or write directly to our mailbox online [israelite-samaritans.com](http://israelite-samaritans.com) and receive complete information and corrections of the things he heard.

Below are ten questions and answers on the matters of the Israeli Samaritan Sukkah:

When do we start?

A. When do you start building a sukkah?

The Mahadarim in Mahadarim, who build big Sukkot, order the fruits planted in the Sukkah in Pardassim in another deadline, even before Yom Kippur, when all the fruits are cut with the small branch that connects them to the tree. The pardasim owners pick the fruit on the eve of Yom Kippur. The Samaritans themselves approach to erect a sukkah on the eve of Yom Kippur. If Shabbat became the day after Yom Kippur, we start on Saturday night.

B. What is the difference between a Jewish sukkah and a Samaritan sukkah?

In the two Sukkot there are four species: the fruit of the citrus tree, dates spoons, thick tree branches and stream Arabs. In the Jewish Rabbinic Sukkah, the four species are placed on the table using a medium and sometimes swing them together for a blessing. In the Samaritan sukkah, the four species are used to build the sukkah.

G. What are the four types of the sukkah?

"The fruits of the citrus tree, palm dates, and thick tree branches, and streams" - so in this writing, in the Torah form by the Israelis and the Samaritans" [Vikra, chapter C, 40]

The fruit of the citrus tree - every fruit that is decorated in season, the sting connects it to a stable tree. Particularly heavy fruits like large etrugis, pomales - tie another knot or nail a large screw at the head of the fruit to tie well to the sukkah and ensure it does not fall off. The rest: pomegranates, lemons, bandanas, grapefruit, apples, peaches and more - are tied a regular knot of the sting with a copper thread that connects them to the net of the roof of the sukkah.

Rabbinic Judaism translated - Etrog, which is originally not from Israel Israel, and certainly not to him the Torah was referring to in writing.

Dates claws - clearly the open palm palm palm. Enough in eight to ten spoons, landing to crochet head-tail-tail-head to cover the roof of the sukkah. In every yard of a house where Samaritans live there is a palm tree, which is equal to the number of its paws to its owners and neighbors.

Rabbinical Judaism meant a Lulav, which in its form - on which are dense and tight - is completely opposite to writing in the Torah that talks about paws - that basically open paws, as a closed palm is a fist.

Thick tree branches - any tree whose branches are thick, thickened, not thin, fit to be placed on the roof of the sukkah. This is the real deal. Branches can be plucked from environmental trees. Eucalyptus branches and laurel tree branches answer the need. Rabbinic Judaism chose Hadas as a branch of a thick tree. But what is identified today as Hadas is more of a bush than a tree, with the Torah clearly speaking of a branch of a tree, and it is not probably the Hadas mentioned in the book of Nehemiah V, 15 separately [! ] was made of thick wood.

Arabi Nahal - willow plants that grow on the banks of the Yarkon or Wadi Albadan north of Nablus or special tree plants - all of these meet the need and place them in one of the corners of the roof of the sukkah.

Every plant that grows on many waters - is kosher like a stream Arab. Rabbinic Judaism interpreted the Arabs of the River as the prairie plant.

There are the Israelis and the Samaritans who glamorize and tie bunches of green or red peppers and there are those who add dark purple eggplants which create a strong contrast to the bright colors of the other fruits of the sukkah.

D. A. How do you set up the sukkah?

Create a square frame of 2 by 2, 2 by 3 or 3 by 3 meters or more, made of metal, connected with small anoles to the sukkah ceiling with a metal chain in each corner keeping the frame away from the ceiling. There are the frame rails on four metal posts, with metal angles stabilizing the

posts and the frame on which they are. Some are building bigger frames. Teaching us, a 3.3 by 3.3 meters frame can carry 500 kg of fruit, a 2 x 2 meter sukkah can carry up to 200 kg of fruit. A 2 by 3 meter frame carries 350-300 kg.

On the frame place a dense web made of squares. There are metal wire mesh attachments carved in a round, elliptical or square shape to create spectacular geometric models when tying the fruit. Attach the mesh to its balanced central and outer columns using strong plastic brackets, which can be purchased at any hardware store.

The skeleton of the sukkah is ready. The fruits that were tied to thousands in the delicate hands of the girls of the house, with a copper pulling thread for each fruit, placed in cardboard boxes, and the children of the house enthusiastically hand them over to the young people of the house who tie the fruits according to their color and in a pre-planned order to the ceiling grid of the sukkah. This is how different geometric and spectacular eye patterns are created [see picture].

The Samaritans make sure not to participate in the most beautiful Sukkot contests.

In order not to win ahead in all the first places and by doing so to cause resentment from other communities in Israel. The erection of the sukkah is finished, adding colored paper decorations, flashing electric bulbs in different lights and colors. The sukkah is transformed into magical.

A. S. A. How old is the custom of erecting a sukkah from the four species?

From my days with Israel the first and to our present. Whoever reads the Bible in the book of Nehemiah V, 18-13 describing the establishment of the Sukkot does not find a difference between what is written there and the way the Samaritans establish the Sukkot. Indeed it is an ancient custom, for over three thousand years. The way Judaism establishes Sukkot is from Durbanan and not according to the written Torah. In the Israeli Samaritan tradition there is evidence of the burning of Sukkot in the days of Saul the king, who fought the sons of Joseph. If you are the Israelis and the Samaritans are right, why are you so few?

We are not few, but part of the great Israel nation. Our ancestors were close to a total death in 1919 when only 141 souls were there - 61 women and 80 men of all ages.

To this number we have reached after many hundreds of years of rebellion, persecution, pogroms, creation, and Islam by force since we were at the peak of our numerical power, according to an estimate of as high as one and a half million souls in the fourth and fifth centuries of the civil census. There is no numerical evidence in the origins of the Samaritans. All the numbers are drawn from outside sources.

So began the great descents of the Samaritans, the depression led to a frightening decline in the number of Samaritans. In a period of less than eighty years until 556 AD, we lost three quarters of our total number in Israel - Israel and in the Mediterranean countries. Frequently changing governments, creation and Islam by force resulted in the almost total destruction of the Israeli-Samaritan people.

The entry of the British into Israel and the renewal of the Jewish settlement in it and in addition to the creation of the Israel state as well as marriages with girls who joined the community brought about recovery, and today we appoint five and a half millions from our lowest number. About 450 in Holon and in the country of Israel and about 410 in Kiryat Luza on the Hergers. Justice is not measured in numbers and quantities, because then only the Chinese are right. Justice is measured by the cultural values and faith of the Israeli-Samaritans people, which together with the Israeli-Jewish people make up the Israel

We are right because the guests of our lives, our faith and our traditions rely only on the written Torah of Moses. In our hands, also according to the opinions of important researchers, we find the oldest formula of Moses' Torah, passed on by oral teaching from generation to generation.





Happy birthday to you all If so, a coin sukkah is an interim structure located outside the house, why if so, are the sukkas of the Israelis and the Samaritans erected inside the houses?

We have testimonies of historical sources that initially the Sukkot were established outside the houses, as a ring of the Sukkah. Except because of the bad injury of our many enemies, who used to destroy, burn or defile the sukkah, the high priests in the Byzantine period ordered, about 1600 years ago, to establish the sukkah inside the house, without being hurt. Since then the Israelis and the Samaria have been setting up their Sukkot inside the homes. The change resulted in preserving the sanctity and purity of the sukah as well as henna and its beauty throughout the days of holidays and the eighth atzeret, in which the end they dismantle the sukah. For Modi to experience living in

the most politically sensitive area in the world, there will not be an Israeli- Samaritans high priest, who will return the Sukkot to its natural place outside the house.

H.E. What do you do in the sukkah during holidays

Sitting in it as it is written: "In the sacot you will sit seven days, all the citizen of Israel will sit in the sacot" [And read, c. 42, according to the formula by the Israelis Samaria]. The fruits of the sukkah are sacred and must not be touched for all the days of holidays Falling fruits are replaced by fruits similar to the reserve box found in every house, until the last days of the Sakot holiday. You don't sleep in a sukkah so as not to be hurt by a fruit falling. In the Sukkah, we host the members of the community who visit all the Sukkot and serve them light and spicy drinks [Arak = white wine and wine] and holiday delicacies [cookies filled with chocolate, dates or ground nuts aamraaB = aamraB dna heyyirullaaB ,seicaciled avalkaB ,וור- all homemade. This is the attitude that thousands of guests from outside the community, in Holon and in Hergazim.

T.I.P. How do you dismantle the sukah?

First rip out the fruits according to their gender and place each species in a large cardboard box, grapefruit seeds separately, pomegranates separately, lemons separately, pomelias, bandanas, apples, peaches and more.

After that, we collect the dates and the dry branches and place them in the big garbage store outside the house. At first they used to burn the cottage, but today it is considered a violation of a municipal law [fine at least 1000 NIS - not worth the risk]



Releasing the net from the sukkah frame and cleaning it completely from all the copper wires attached to it. Rolling the net to a bundle and pinning it until next year. Loosen the screws that connect the balanced and reinforced columns and fasten them until the next Sukkot.

Y. What do you do with hundreds of kilograms of fruit after dismantling the sukkah?

The fruits are not sold. He who sells risks a crime between himself and his creator. Fruits that can be squeezed like pomegranates, lemons and berries, squeeze and prepare natural juice or cook with sugar for sweetened juice. Apples and pomellas - eat appetit. Bandits - make them blatant. Large Yemenite Etrogies and pomplets, peel and divide the peel into small squares cooked with sugar - a delicacy of kings for many days. You can donate grapefruit to guests arriving at the sukkah or restaurants for the needy.

So far in the context of "know what to reply" on issues related to the establishment of the sukkah.

In the days of charity

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Videos

Building the Samaritan Sukkot | from Start to Finish
Abood Cohen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O1UHKq75h8M>

Palestine: The Samaritans' Struggle | ARTE.tv Documentary

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

Book Minute: Samaritans Today

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

Samaritan True Israel

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLIJ7IXqj-dTv5JtQMMydZFm8XdA22Mp9i4>

Amazing! Praying with Samaritans in their Secretive Synagogue

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7D_yRzRO3Uk

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### **Articles:**

#### **PHOTOS OPENING OF SAMARITANS**

September 18, 2022 · by [jewishartsalon](#) · in [Andi Arnovitz](#), [Archie Rand](#), [Hillel Smith](#), [Joel Silverstein](#), [Judith Joseph](#), [Mark Podwal](#), [Richard McBee](#), [Yona Verwer](#)

Photos from the exhibition opening *Samaritans: A Biblical People* at the Museum of the Bible, Washington, DC. <https://jewishartsalon.org/2022/09/18/photos-opening-of-samaritans/>

#### **Who are the Samaritans? Washington exhibit to showcase the biblical people**

The groundbreaking exhibition *The Samaritans: A Biblical People* will open on September 16.

<https://www.jpost.com/international/article-717163>

## Islamic Tahrif Began With The Samaritans – OpEd

By Rabbi Allen S. Maller eurasia review

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Facebook Post by [Barry Tsedaka](#) Petra, Mount of the Mountain, Tomb of Aaron. Oct. 8 2022



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**LOT 276:**

Samaritan

Manuscript –

Prayers for Sukkot

– Nablus, 19th

Century

Hebrew

(Samaritan script)

and Arabic. Black

and red ink on

paper.

The manuscript

contains several

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<https://www.amazon.com/marco/experience/B09DP93KF3>

Abood's latest video

Learning about my Samaritan ancestors on the internet #1

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZD_o4OYqe-M

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

Visit the Facebook page of Samaritan restaurants & bar

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



Also visit the website of The Samaritan Museum

<https://samaritanmuseum.com/>

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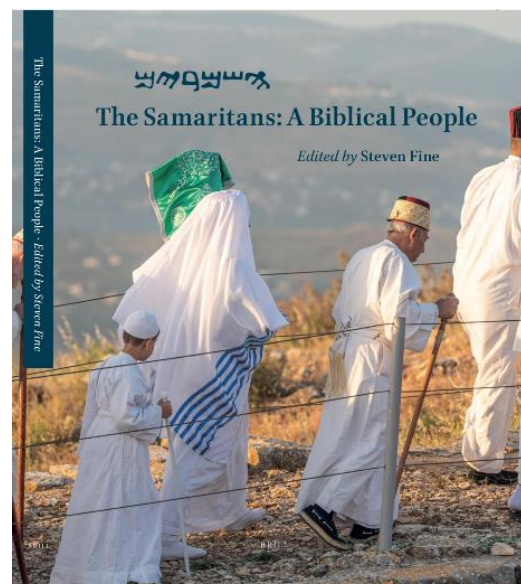
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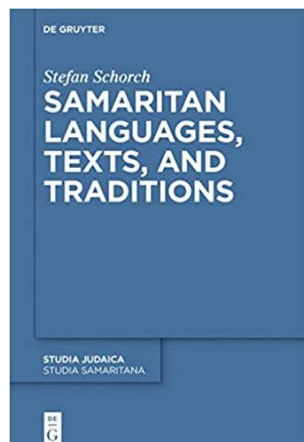
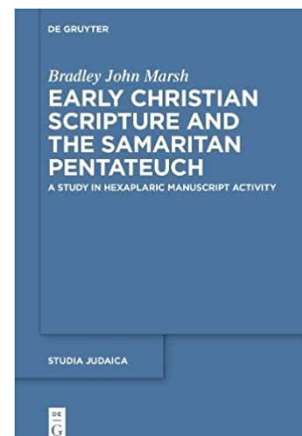


[Early Christian Scripture and the Samaritan Pentateuch: A Study in Hexaplaric Manuscript Activity](#) (Studia Samaritana)

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

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by [Stefan Schorch](#) (Author)

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[Classical Samaritan Poetry](#)

by [Laura Suzanne Lieber](#)

Kindle \$119.99, Hardcover \$149.95

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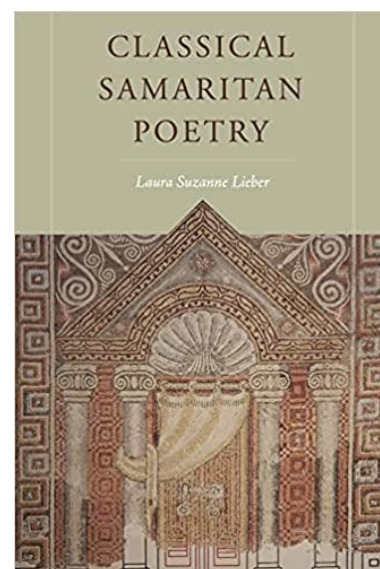
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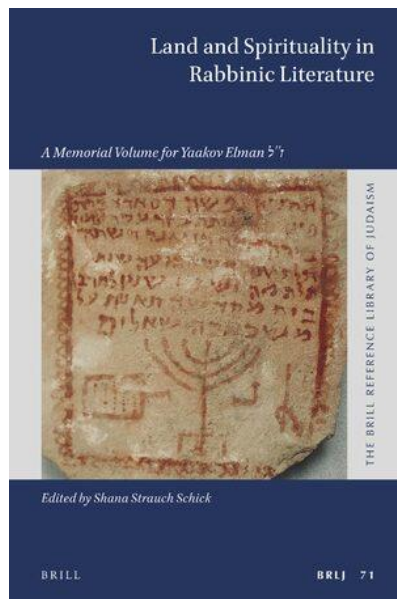
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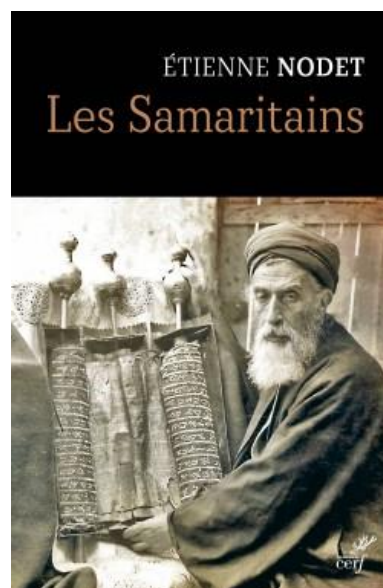
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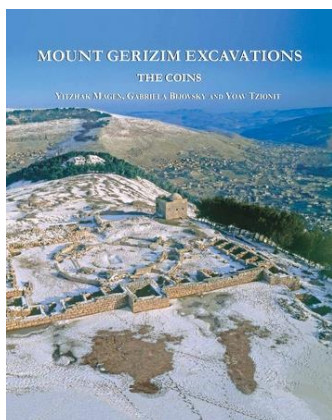
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