



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

The Ninth Month 3662 Tuesday evening December 12, 2023
The Tenth Month 3662 Wednesday evening January 10, 2024
The Eleventh Month 3662 Friday evening February 9, 2024
Passover Sacrifice Monday evening April 22, 2024
3662 is the number of year since the Israelites
entered the land of **Canaan**

Births

A beautiful daughter was born in Holon

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A beautiful daughter, born in Holon to the beautiful Ortal and Abraham = Avi Ben Rose and will be paid by the expansionist
Wednesday, Tuesday of the 8th New 15.11.2023
New baby girl has born in Holon daughter of the pretty Ortal and Abraham b. Yishshakar
Marchiv Hamarchivi- 15.11.2023

A beautiful daughter was born in Hargrazim

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A beautiful daughter, was born in the harghrazim to the beautiful Nora and a desire = Riyadh overnight and Altif the Danafi.
Friday, 10th of the ninth new 22.12.2023
New baby girl has born in Mt. Gerizim daughter of the pretty Nura and Ratson=Riad b. Laila and Yiftah Altif Hadinfi- 22.12.2023

Haseeb Shehadeh's Six Articles

الكاهن الأكبر يعقوب شفيق/عزي

The High Priest- Ya'qūb Shaffīq/ 'Azee (1899-1987)

By al-Amīn Rādī al-Amīn Ṣālīḥ Ṣadaqa al-Ṣabālīḥ (1944-)

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لقد رأينا بالفعل الحقيقة، أن تعيين التعويضات يسبب مصائب كبيرة لمتلقيها، وكذلك لكاتبها، لكن، يبدو لنا أن لا جدال في قوة الصلاة النقية من فم الكاهن الأكبر. عندما يخفى شيء ما على الإنسان، يقول عادة الكاتب أو الشاعر السامري: الله هو العالم. ترجم المسلمون ذلك بـ -الله أعلم. على كل حال، ارتأينا لزاماً علينا سرد قصة واقعة وقعت لي.

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

بعد الهزة الأرضية في العام 1927

قصة الكاهن الأكبر يوسف أبو الحسن 1998-1919

After the Earthquake of 1927

A Story by the High Priest Yousef Abu Al-Hasan 1919-1998

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الهزة الأرضية في تموز 1927

قرأت باهتمام بالغ، ما كتبت الصحف العبرية، حول حياة السامريين في العام 1927. في تلك السنة كنت ابن ثمانية أعوام. ما الذي يتذكره صبي بهذه السن؟ ولكن ما حصل في تلك السنة محفور في ذاكرتي لمدى الحياة. يمكنك أن تتخيل ما يمر على صبي يبلغ من العمر ثماني سنوات، يلعب مع أقرانه في فناء الكنيس القديم في نابلس، ذات يوم ثلاثاء عند الساعة الثالثة وسبع دقائق بعد الظهر، وبعد ذلك بثلاث دقائق استمرت إلى الأبد، رأى أن معظم البيوت المحيطة بالكنيس قد انهارت والكنيس تصدع، أما الأولاد فقد نجوا من الدفن أحياء بأعجوبة؟

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

أماكن السامريين في الماضي والحاضر

على جبل جريزيم وفي نابلس

The Places of the Samaritans in the Past and Present in Mount Gerizim and Nablus

By Māgīd al-Amīn Ṣālīḥ Ṣadaqa (1940-)

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تقديم الأمين صدقة/بنياميم صدقة (1944-)

ما عدا الأزمات اليومية، فإن الحديث مع عمي ماجد الأمين صدقة (المولود العام 1940) الحولوني، حيث انتقل من نابلس إلى حولون بعد حزيران 1967، هو بمثابة الكشف عن كنز دفين من التقاليد التي سمعها من شيوخ آل صدقة، فتح الله حبيب، عم عمه، من عمه ممدوح صالح الصباحي، وبخاصة من شقيقه المرحوم راضي الأمين صدقة. وقد حصل على معلومات أخرى بنفسه شخصياً، حول خريطة استيطان السامريين في جبل جريزيم، بنابلس وضواحيها.

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

الاستيطان السامري في حولون يتطور

The Samaritan Settlement in Holon is Developing

By al-Amīn Rāḍī al-Amīn Ṣālīḥ Ṣadaqa al-Ṣabāḥi (1944-)

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التخشييات الأولى

رويداً رويداً، بدأ الاستيطان الصغير بالتطور. جند "سيدو" ابنيّه أبرشكه/إبراهيم الربيب، ابن زوجته وصدقة/تسوديق لإقامة تخشييات السكن. تخشيية ذات ثلاث غرف لكل العائلة، غرفة خُصصت للوالدين، والوالد وصل بعد شهر تقريباً من انتقالنا للخيام على الرمال. أشواقه للألم باتيه، حتته لإنهاء عمله في حانوت العائلة في نابلس، وعمه واصف/أشر كان شريكاً فيها مع أبيه المرحوم الأمين. شقيقه سميح بدأ يظهر تجربته الغنية بإدارة حانوت الأقمشة.

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جَرْمُون طَيِّبَ الذِّكْر

The Well-remembered Garmon
By Rāḍī al-Amīn Ṣadaqa al-Ṣabāḥī

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كان ذلك في القرن الرابع للميلاد. سكنت في بلدة عورتا، الواقعة بالقرب من نابلس، مجموعة من السامريين،
ترأسها الكاهن الأكبر نتنائيل (أبو بابا ربه)، الذي أُضطرَّ بسبب الاضطهادات على مغادرة نابلس، المدينة
المقدسة. آنذاك، حكم الرومان البيزنطيون البلاد، وهم حظروا الختان على أبناء الطائفة.

في ذلك الوقت، عاش المفوض جرمون، الذي كان أحد مُنفذي هذا المرسوم/الأمر القاسي. عانى أبناء الطائفة من
ذلك معاناة شديدة لأنهم عرفوا: إن وجد الرومان طفلاً سامرياً مختوناً قتلوه، وعوقب معظم أبناء الطائفة بالقتل
الكثير.

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أَيْنَ أَخْتَفَتَ كَلِمَةُ “وَبِالْمَحَبَّةِ”

Where Did the Word “in Love” Disappear?
By Rāḍī al-Amīn Ṣāliḥ Ṣadaqa al-Ṣabāḥī (1922-1990)

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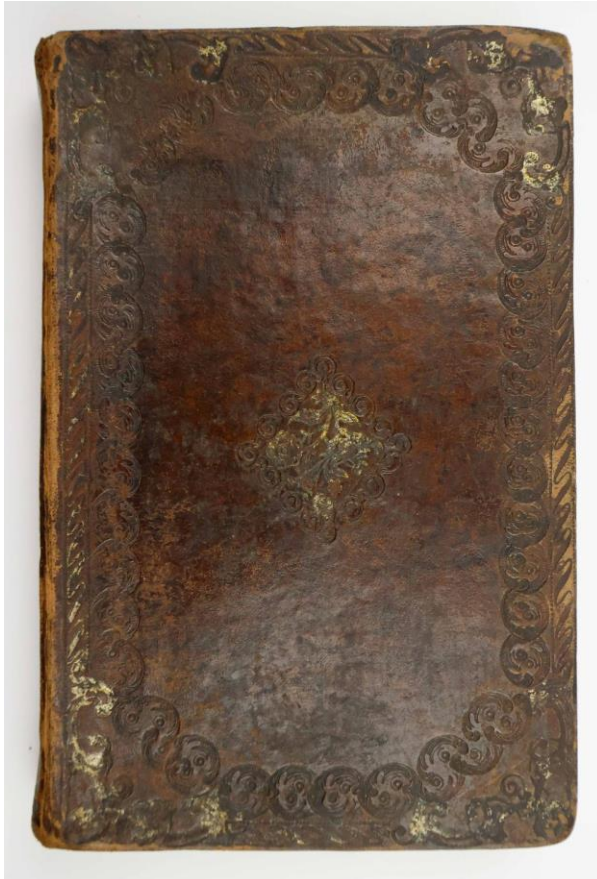
أنتم تسمعون قصصاً عن الجلدات التي تعرّضنا لها في طفولتنا من قبل معلّمينا على أصابع أيدينا التي نزفت
دماً، من ضربات المساطر المعدنية، وعلى الجزء السفلي من أجسامنا الذي تلقّى جلدات بالسوط؛ ولكن جلدة المعلم
الأجنبي تختلف عن جلدة معلم سامري من كبار كهنتنا.

يتجول حتى اليوم، مُسنون في أحياء نابلس وحولون، ويقصّون بفخر بين بأنهم قد حظوا بضربات الكاهن الأكبر
يعقوب بن أهرون، لأنهم لم يتعلّموا درسهم جيداً، أو لم يحفظوه بالمرّة. وهما الكاهن الأكبر يعقوب أهرون، قد توفي
أيام الحرب العالمية الأولى. هم يتذكرون هذه الجلدات بالأشواق، ويرثون في الوقت ذاته طفولتهم الضائعة.

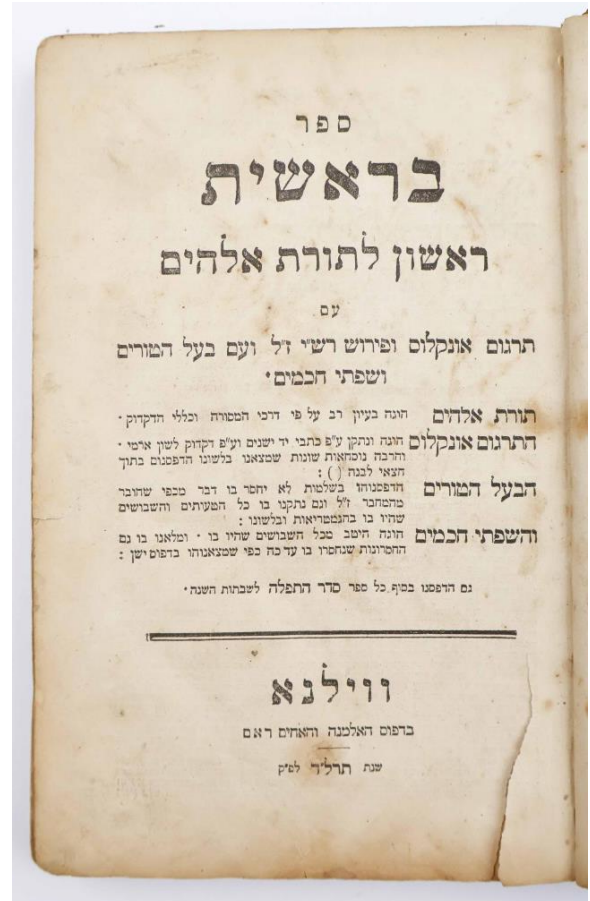
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**Auctions****Lot 592: 1744 VERSION OF 'GENESIS'**

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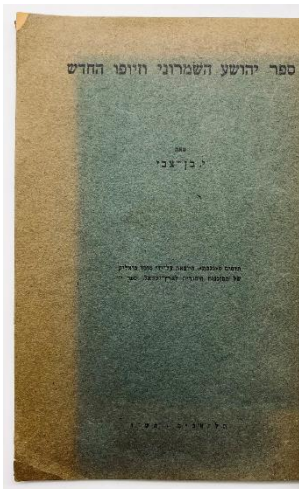
98 Bohemia Avenue, Chesapeake City, MD, 21915, US

**[Winter Autographs & Militaria Live Auction 2024](#)****Description****1744 VERSION OF 'GENESIS'**

A Samaritan Pentateuch version of 'The Book of Genesis', published in 1744. 268pp. 8vo., brown boards. The first and last flyleaf bears the name of the owner and is dated June 13, 1894. Wear to the covers and foxing to the beginning and end pages, still quite good.

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## **Auction 27 - נדירים Rare Books and Letters from the Green Brothers Collection**



By Trē Zouzē

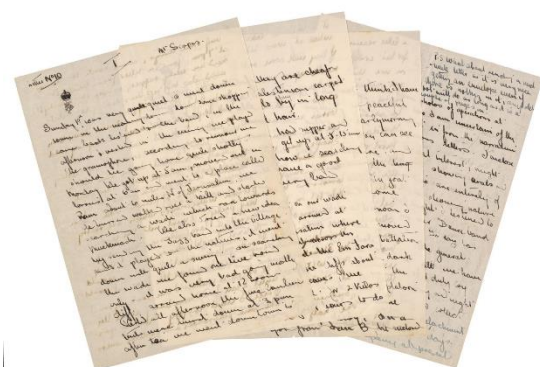
Sunday, Dec 24, Masaryk 14, Tel Aviv, Israel

"The book of Joshua the Samaritan and its New Forgery" by Yitzhak Ben-Zvi - Dedication by the Author - 1946

A very rare booklet, not found in the National Library. An essay by Yitzhak ben Zvi (1884-1963), later the second president of the State of Israel, on the Samaritan historical essay about the people of Israel in the days of Yehoshua ben Nun. On the first page there is a dedication to the library by Ben Zvi, as well as his signature. Bound with a slide over the original cover.

Hebrew, 153 pages, 24X17 cm. Good condition, library stamps, small lack in top corner of cover.

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THE GREAT PALESTINIAN REVOLT. A COLLECTION OF 26 AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED

In **Photographs, Autographs & Historic Documents**
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The Great Palestinian Revolt. A collection of 26 Autograph Letters Signed by Lt. Charles Meredith Inigo-Jones (1912-2009), Palestine, May to December 1936

However, he was not immune to the beauties and extraordinary history of the region and despite the unrest he found time to visit the great sites of biblical history. He also describes meeting Samaritans, and even being shown an ancient Samaritan bible, on a day trip to Nablus.

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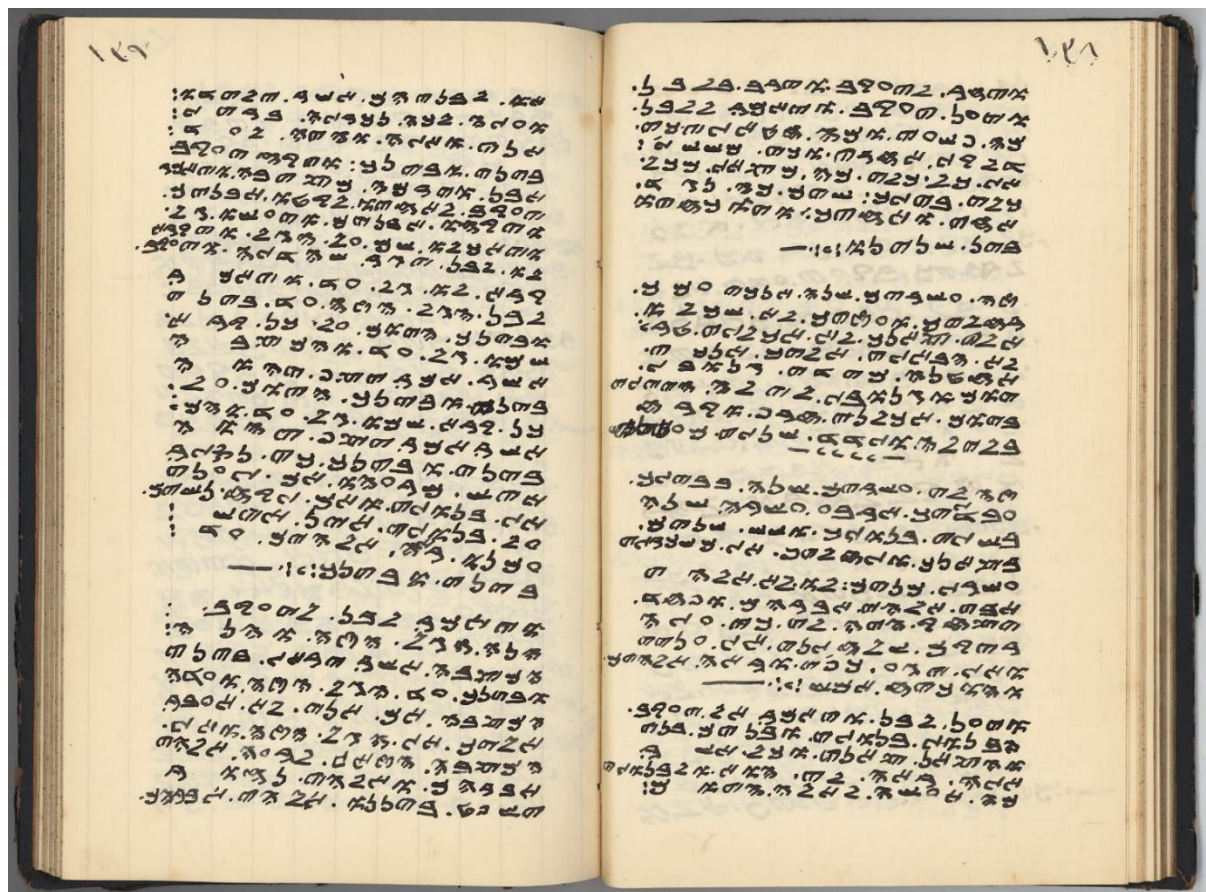
## **Auction 15 Ancient books, & Rabbis Letters.**

By tzfunot

Sunday, Dec 31

12 Miron St. Bnei Brak, Israel





Sefer Bereishis in Samaritan script.

The Samaritan alphabet is a variant form of the Hebrew alphabet that is used by the Samaritans.

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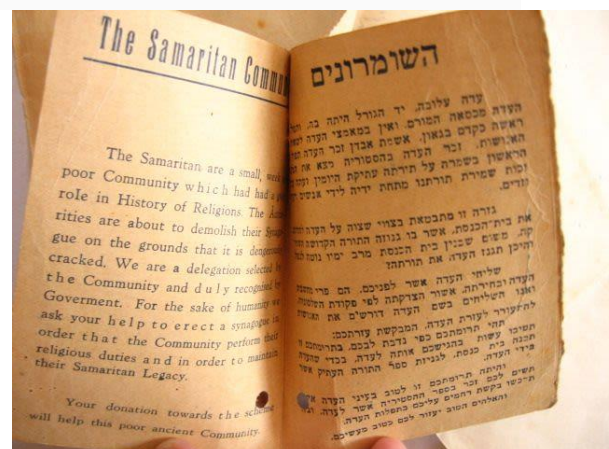
[Auction 288 Israeliana and Judaica, Collectibles](#)

By Ben-Ami Endres

Monday, Nov 27, 11:00

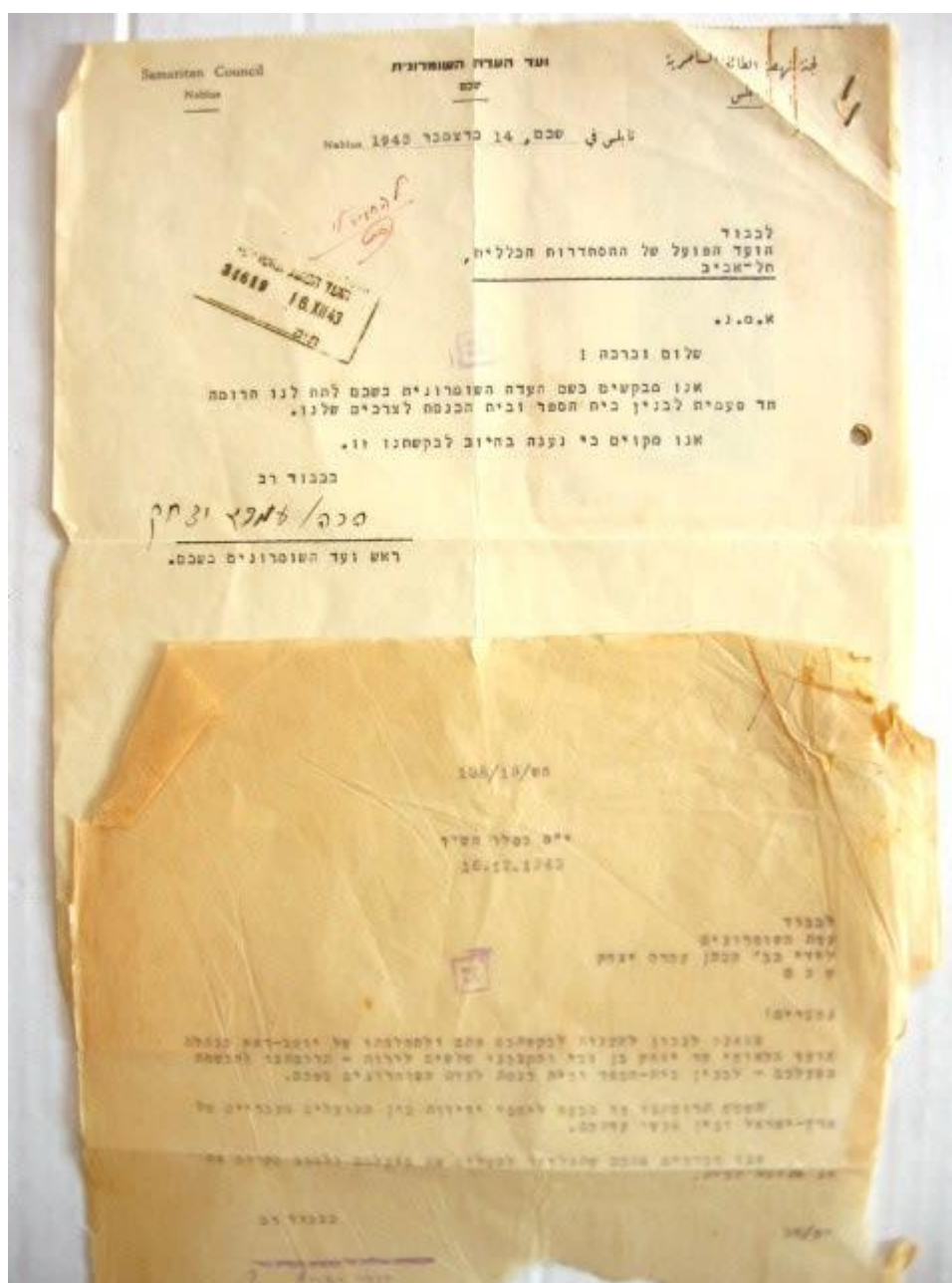
LOT 160: NOT SOLD

The Samaritan community in Nablus



2023

Letter asking for donation, 1943, with copy of the (positive) answer



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Sefer Bereishis. Samaritan script. Nablus

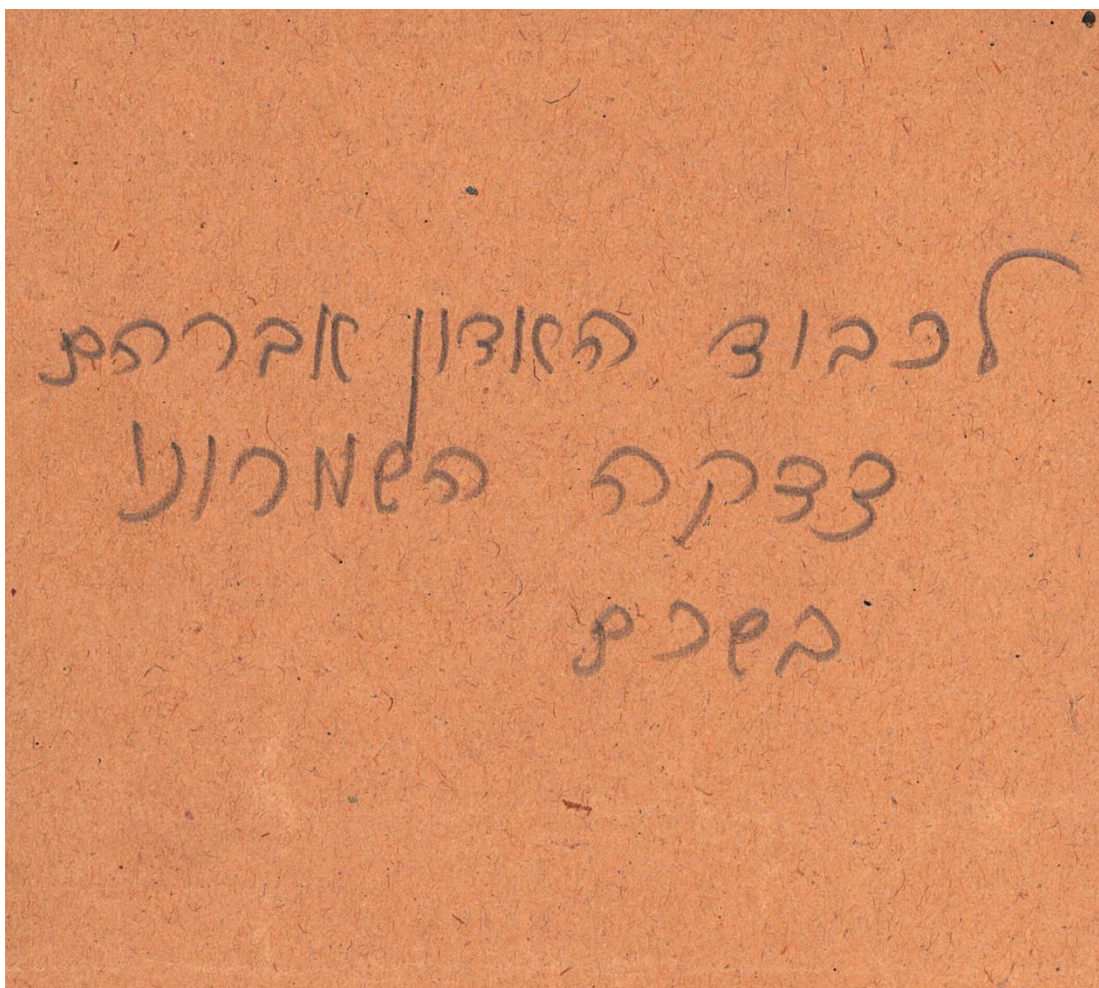
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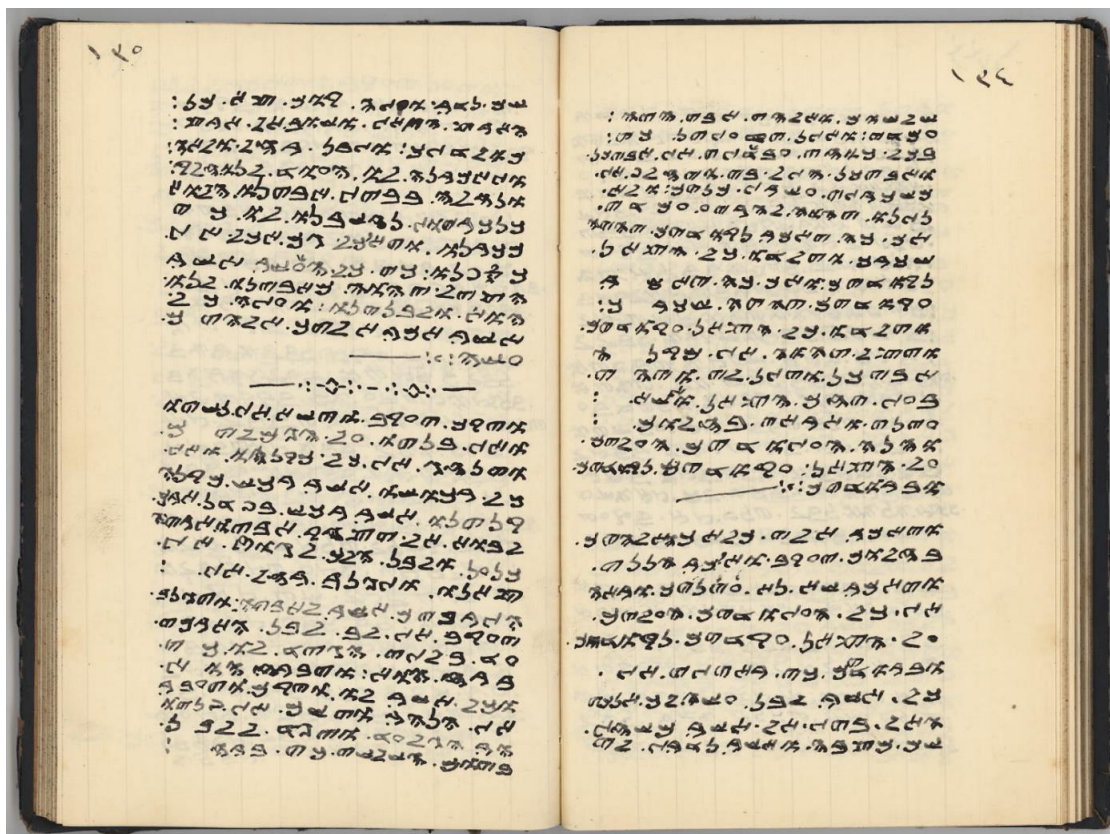
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ANTIQUE very rare Miniature Samaritan "Torah Scroll" from Nablus**Item description from the seller**

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.

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.

Minor blemishes, some rust, Tears, wear, and stains, handwritten Samaritan text only on small segment in middle of scroll.

Scroll height: 11 cm Case height: 20 cm.

[Offered at EBAY](#) US \$2,200.00

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**Jacob ben-Ezzi Cohen autograph on his book "The Samaritans" Stencil 1965, Nablus**

Jacob ben-Ezzi Cohen, autograph on his book "The Samaritans, their History,

Customs, Religion", stencil, in English, Nablus, Jordan. 1965,

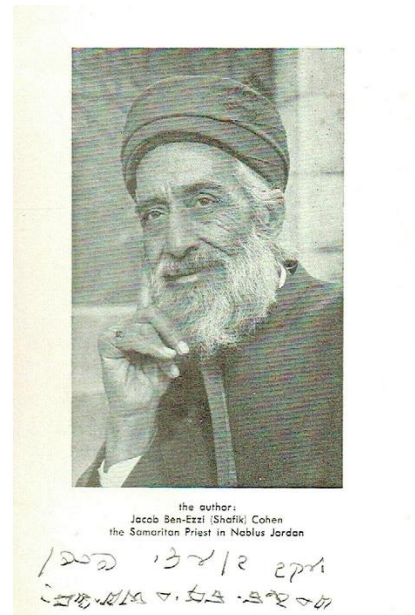
26 pp. and 6 plates of photos including the photo of Jacob ben-Ezzi Cohen

**With autograph in Hebrew**

Size: 19.5 x 14 cm., Yellow paper

Jacob ben-Ezzi (Shafik) Cohen, the Samaritan Priest in Nablus, Jordan

[Offered at EBAY](#) US \$150.00



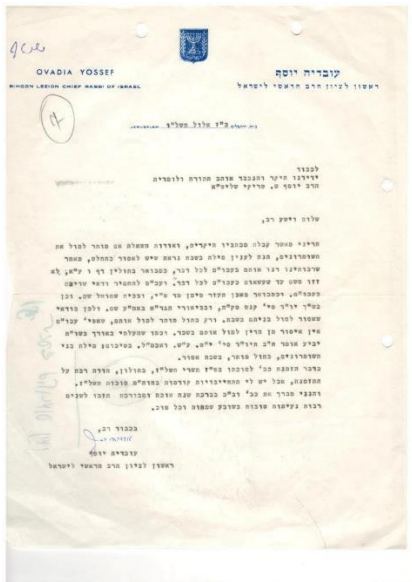
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E199 Ephemera picture 1936 samaritan high priest brother Nablus

GBP 2.65 Approximately US \$3.38

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## 1976 Letter by Chief R. OVADIA YOSEF - REGARDING BRIT MILAH FOR SAMARITANS

LANGUAGE: HEBREW

VG CONDITION, APPARENTLY UNPUBLISHED

FASCINATING TYPED LETTER, ON OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD, HAND SIGNED BY CHIEF RABBI OVADIA YOSEF. THE TOPIC OF DISCUSSION IS THE PERMISSIBILITY OF A JEW PERFORMING CIRCUMCISION FOR A SAMARITAN, DURING THE WEEK OR SHABBAT.

[Offered on Ebay](#) US \$499.99

## YU Center for Israel Studies

Nov 6-Dec 15, 2023: Carl-von-Ossietzky- University of Oldenburg, „Schlaues Haus“.

Jan 10-Jan 24, 2024: Alfried-Krupp-Wissenschaftskolleg, Greifswald

May 30-June 1st, 2024: Erfurt, during 103rd Deutscher Katholikentag.

Eintritt frei!

Mittwoch  
17. Januar 2024  
18.00 Uhr

Öffentlicher Abendvortrag im Rahmen der Ausstellung „Respekt! Samaritaner\*innen in der Bibel und heute“

Professor Steven Fine, Ph.D.

## Jews and Samaritans in Late Antiquity: Archaeological and Literary Perspectives



This lecture explores relationships between Samaritans and Jews from the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 CE through the rise of Islam through recent archaeological discoveries, Rabbinic, Samaritan and Christian literary sources. My organizing lens will be a series of rabbinic sources, mainly of the third and fourth centuries, that allow us to view the complexities of the common Israelite religion shared by Samaritans and Jews, including areas of controversy separating Jews and Samaritans. The impact of imperial rule, especially under the Christian emperors, sets an important frame for this discussion of the two ancient peoples of Israel, their unique intertwined relationship in Roman Palestina and across the eastern Mediterranean basin.

Link zur Veranstaltungsseite



Steven Fine is the Churgin Professor of Jewish History at Yeshiva University and director of the Yeshiva University Center for Israel Studies. Fine's books include *The Menorah: From the Bible to Modern Israel* (Harvard UP, 2016) and *Art and Judaism in the Greco-Roman World* (Cambridge UP, 2005). Steven Fine is director of the YU Israelite Samaritans Project, which includes a traveling exhibition, an exhibition book, and an award-winning documentary.

Moderation: Professor Dr. Stefan Beyerle

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Upcoming venues for our pop up version of **-The Samaritans: A Biblical People-** exhibition, organized with [Bibelhaus Erlebnis Museum](#), Frankfurt and its energetic director, [Veit Dinkelaker](#).

The Front Page of the Magazine:

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**Online: Israelite Samaritan Torah** By [Tsedaka, Yisrael ben Gamliel](#)

<https://archive.org/details/IsraeliteSamaritanTorah/mode/2up>

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Videos

Aboud Cohen VIDEOS

The Samaritan Insight: Live How and Why do Samaritans pray? Live

#11 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFKzyftsqOU>

The Samaritan Insight: Genesis (Barashet) Live #13

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=90q0REGSt5M>

The Samaritan Insight: "And Adam Knew" | Live #14

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MoMXZdC5sUw>

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## Abstract

In the Middle Ages, many literary productions emerged in Arabic language written by the Syriacs and Samaria, known as the science of Semitic languages, mediated with (Syriac Arabic; Samaritan Arabic) texts. These texts share to some extent same linguistic features due to their bilingual nature. They have been written in Arabic Language. In this paper, It is noticed that there are many textual evidences and examples from the Sacred Book that can be identified to prove the shared linguistic features of Semitic languages as well as clarifying the concept of intermediate Semitic languages. The paper aims to clarify the importance of these texts in the heritage of the Eastern (Semitic) civilizations, with reference to the most important characteristics of written and linguistic properties, by presenting particular samples of these texts. The paper is an attempt to answer the questions concerning the relationship between the two linguistic patterns in the fields of literary and non-literary writings of these texts. It is observed that, sometimes, the grammar of these languages does not agree with the grammar of the Arabic language as set up by Arab grammarians. Were these characteristics due to the influence of the authors of these texts, members of the Samaritan and Syriac sect, in their original languages, and their application in their writings? The method adopted in this study is the comparative method in addition to the descriptive method.

### **The Status of Samaritans in Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Damascus**

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**Abstract:** In this article, we explore the status of Samaritans in early modern Ottoman Damascus through a focus on a particular firman —a sultanic legal decree. The firman orders that Samaritans—a religious group that traces its origins to ancient Israel but differs from Jews in several aspects—are not to be employed as clerks by Ottoman authorities. We argue that the firman indicates Ottoman officials engaged in religious status management despite the lack of legal terminology for minority in the document. The significance of the firman regarding conceptualizing status, we suggest, is that it points to an alternative model of minoritization that is not based in modern European legal approaches to religious minority status and law but which accounts for people's experiences of minority status before modernity.

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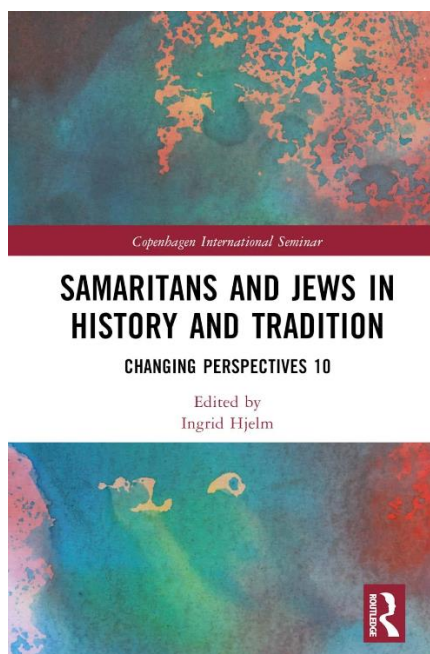
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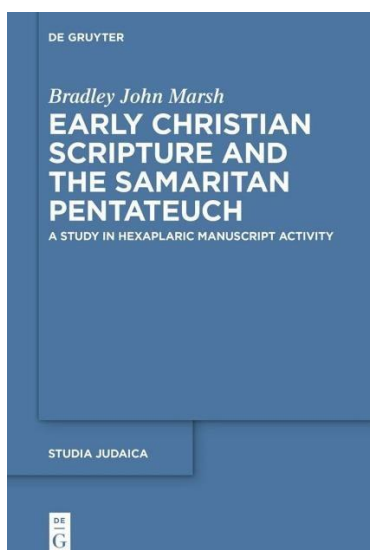
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Early Christian Scripture and the Samaritan Pentateuch is a study exploring Christian interaction with the Samaritan Pentateuch as evinced by hexaplaric sources. The manuscript evidence for the Samaritan Pentateuch in Greek attests two distinct, textually unrelated groups of readings: a $\alpha\alpha\mu$ -type (i.e., the Samareitikon) and a $\mu\omicron\nu\omicron\nu$ -type. Only the latter, the subject of the present study, is hexaplarically derived and predates, considerably, any

evidence

for the former. The extant hexaplaric colophons and scholia found in the books of Exodus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy reveal that at some point the Caesarean library acquired a copy of the Samaritan Hebrew Pentateuch. This copy was then collated, quantitatively, against the hexaplaric Septuagint. Since the Samaritan text is often longer than the Septuagint due to a number of "expansions", taken from various pre-existing passages of the Pentateuch, the Caesarean critics "translated" these expansions into Greek with the aid of the Septuagint. No evidence was found that the so-called Samareitikon (i.e., Samaritans' own Greek translation) was either known to or used by the Caesarean critic. These "translations" bear no trace of Samaritan exegesis. It is hypothesized here, that the collation and "translation" was made possible through the use of the multi-columned Hexapla as a kind of analytical lexicon. Taking the results of this effort, the responsible party added these data to the margins of the Caesarean Septuagint edition. These passages were later translated into Syriac and were even adopted by some later Christian scribes as legitimate biblical readings. It is posited that Eusebius—not Origen, as has been commonly supposed—was the one responsible for this work. The study explores these data diachronically from inception to integration. The findings and analysis are relevant for the fields of biblical studies, Samaritan studies, and the study of Bible production and the praxis of textual research in early Christianity.

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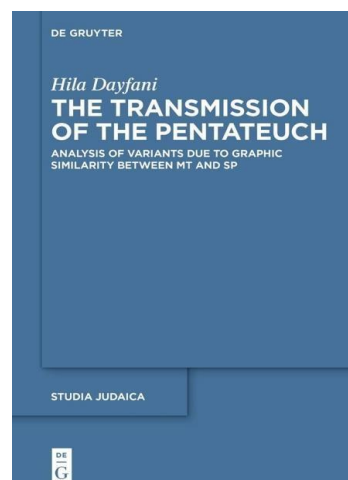
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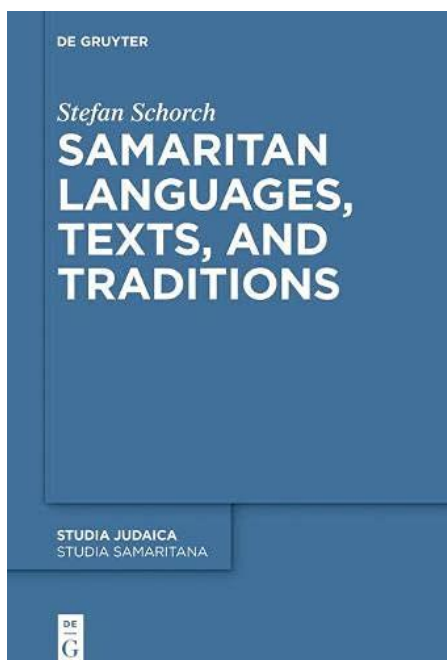
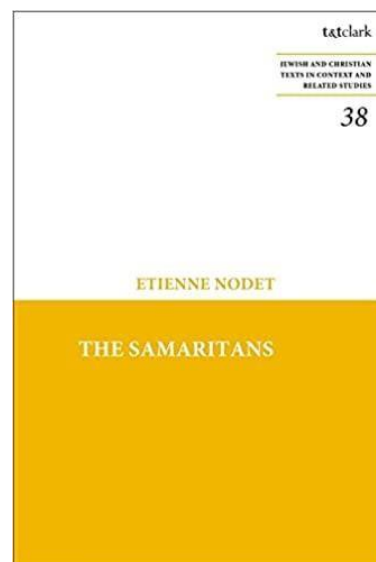
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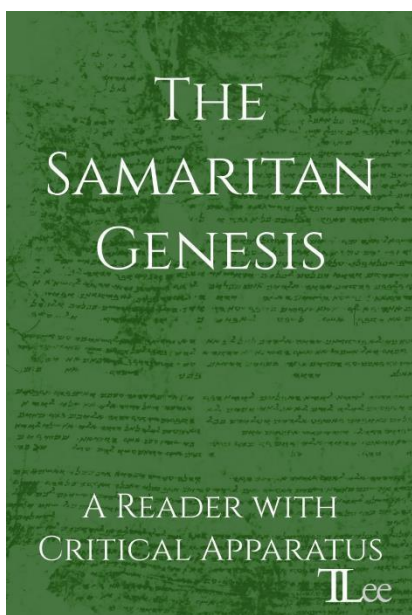
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