



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 Eight Month 3662 Sunday evening November 13, 2023

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

**A beautiful daughter**, Leah, was born in the Hergrazim to the beautiful Julia and blessed Ben Yitzhak Marahiv Marahiv  
 Saturday, 9th of the New Sixth - 24.9.2023  
 New baby girl has born in Mt. Gerizim, Leah daughter of the pretty Yulia and Baruch b. Yithaq Marchiv Hamarchivi- 24.9 2023

Triplets were born in Hargrazim, two boys and a girl

Two sons and a daughter to the beautiful Rova a beautiful daughter and the late Maor Altif the Danafi and Salah Ben Tamima and the priest Itamar Ben Abraham the deputy high priest.

Sunday, the seventh day of New Year - 29.10.2023

Trio twins were born today two sons and a daughter in Mt. Gerezim to the pretty Ruba and Samech=Selah b. Tmima and the Deputy High Priest Itamar b. Abraham - 29.10.2023



**Donation of a Torah** scroll in the name of our late father **Shoham Shashuni** RIP by his beloved son and dear brother **Osher Shashuni**. And the artist of this book will bring peace on earth, and return every child to his mother's bosom, and every kidnapped to his family. Amen amen amen



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**The Samaritan community Apologies Abed Cohen**

Video by Nir Sasoni October 21, 2023

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zbbBfm854VY>

**The Samaritan community Circumcision Eden, Hod and Yip**

Video by Nir Sasoni October 22, 2023

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

**The Samaritan community Bringing in a Torah book Holon**

Video by Nir Sasoni 27.10.23

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bqo\\_ps7gU9U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bqo_ps7gU9U)

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Amit Marhiv posted his Succoth on Facebook Oct. 26, 2023



**Mount Gerizim Facebook Post Oct. 24, 2023**

The day of [#Forgiveness](#) (Kippur) has just ended and the children of the Samaritan community began returning to the normal lifestyle after many hours of fasting... And getting ready for feast of thrones

We ask God to accept our fasting and every year and the members of the community are well.







### Pilgrimage - Sukkot 2023

This was a pilgrimage without photographers. !!

The only one who does not miss any holiday or any Samaritan event, is, Ish Ofra, Zeev Erlich, Land knowledge researcher, tour guide and tours and groups, lecturer at Heritage Yaakov College - Orot israel - Documenting writings and antiquities in Judea and Samaria, well done!!





### Haseeb Shehadeh's Six Articles

## الحَرْبُ الْعَالَمِيَّةُ الْأُولَى أُعْجُوبَةُ مَرِيَمَ مِنْ نَابِلُسَ

### The First World War

### The Miracle of Miriam from Nablus

By the Brothers: Rāḏī and Samīḥ Sons of al-ʿAmīn Ṣāliḥ Ṣadaqa  
(1922-1990, 1932-2002)

ترجمة ب. حسيب شحادة  
جامعة هلسنكي

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ב. ללימודי השומרונות, הרגלים-חולון, 2021, כרך א' עמ' 116-134.

سمعنا هذه القصة من الشقيقين، راضي وسميح، ابني الأمين صدقة الصباحي. والقصة، ما هي سوى قصة مصائب شخصيتين، في إحدى أحلك الفترات التي مرّ بها أبناء الطائفة السامرية، أيام الحرب العالمية الأولى، وقت تجنيد الأتراك القسري لكل شباب الطائفة، التي بلغ تعدادها في العام 1909 مائة وثمانين نسمة (100 ذكر و 80 أنثى). بدأ التجنيد القسري في العام 1913، وفي أعقابها انخفض عدد أبناء الطائفة في غضون أربع سنين إلى 141 نسمة، 80 ذكراً و 61 أنثى. سمعنا القصة المثيرة والممتعة، أضفنا إليها شهادات ممتمة، منها تقديم سلسلة الفصائل كاملة، القاء، من قنا، أعظم القاصص.

Continue reading at: [https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/the\\_first\\_world\\_war\\_brothers.pdf](https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/the_first_world_war_brothers.pdf)



# أقدم وأصغر طائفة/شعب في العالم

The oldest and Smallest Sect/People in the World

ب. حسيب شحادة

جامعة هلسنكي

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w-Qr8n7XI-Q>

## الاسم ومن هم

تمتاز منطقة الشرق الأوسط بوضع سمات هامة، نذكر منها هنا ثلاثاً: أولاً إنها مهد الديانات السماوية الثلاث، وثانياً مهد الكتابة التي اخترعها السومريون، غير الساميين قبل أكثر من خمسة آلاف عام، في بلاد ما بين النهرين فالحضارات لاحقاً. وثالثاً، كثرة الأقليات العرقية/الإثنية أو الدينية. هنالك، على سبيل المثال: الأحمديون والبهازيون والبشناق/البشانقة والأرمن والعرب المسيحيون والسريان/الكلدان/الأشوريون/الآثوريون/الآراميون والعلويون والدروز والأقباط والموارنة والأكراد والشيعة والأيزيديون والسامريون (Samaritans) والفلاشا والحريديم/اليهود المتزمتون والتركمان والقرآويون والمانويون/المانوية/المنانية ونطوري كارتا/حراس المدينة والشركس والصابئة/المنذائيون والعيسويون/اليهود المسيحيون (Messianic Jews) والروما/الدومر/النور/العجر.

Continue reading at: [https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/the\\_oldest.pdf](https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/the_oldest.pdf)

## الكاهن الأكبر الأخير من أبناء خضر/فنجاس إلعزر

The Last High Priest of the Sons of Phinhas El'azar

بقلم الكاهن الأكبر يعقوب شفيق (1987-1899)

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## إذ أخذه الله

هذه هي القصة التي يرويها كبار السن في الطائفة السامرية، وعيونهم دامعة، وأفواههم مليئة بالأنات الشديدة، على آخر الكهنة من ذرية فنجاس إلعزر أهرون الكاهن شقيق سيدنا موسى، ألا وهو سلامة فنجاس، الذي اختفى فجأة عن أعين الطائفة وانصرف عن هذا العالم في العام 1624 للميلاد [في الأصل: بتاريخ: غير المختونين]. في عهد معلمنا الكاهن الأكبر، سلامة فنجاس، كان السامريون أشراً وخطاة جداً. تحرروا من نير التوراة ومن الفرائض، واستهتروا بعائلات الكهنة المتمسكين بالتوراة وبمرشدي الشعب. الرجل بار ومستقيم، يقضي أيامه بعبادة الباري في بيته المنعزل الذي بناه.

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**الكاهن الأكبر يعقوب أهرون (1916-1840)**

**The High Priest Jacob Son of Aharon**

**بقلم الأمين راضي صدقة (1944-)**

ترجمة حسيب شحادة

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**أفول حزين**

**في طريقه الأخيرة**

قبل مائة سنة في العام 1916، في يوم الثلاثاء بعد عيد المصّة، يوم الحجّ الأوّل في السنة، أودع/سلّم الكاهن الأكبر يعقوب أهرون سلامة روحه (1916-1840) لخالقه.

ظلّ الكاهن يُحتَضَر ثلاثة أيام ثمّ مات. بقايا الرجال السامريّين القلائل، قرابة السبعين نسمة، ومعهم مئات من وُجَّهَاء نابلس رافقوه في طريقه الأخيرة إلى القبر، في مقبرة راس العين في أعلى الطريق لجبل جريزيم.

Continue reading at: [https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/jacob\\_son\\_of\\_aharon.pdf](https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/jacob_son_of_aharon.pdf)

**ما حَدَثَ للكاهن الأكبر سلامة غزال**

**والمُحتال في نابلس**

**What Happened to the High Priest Salāma Ghazal**

**and the Swindler in Nablus**

**بقلم راضي الأمين صالح صدقة الصباحي (1990-1922)**

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**البائع الساحر المتجول**

نزل الكاهن الأكبر سلامة غزال كعادته ذات يوم (كاهن أكبر بين السنتين 1752-1787) للتسوَّق في نابلس. وكان قد التقى ببائع متجول غريب، يبيع الفواكه بأسعار رخيصة، وتزاحم عليه الكثيرون من المشتريين.

اشترى الكاهن سلامة من الفاكهة أيضاً، حطّها في سلّته ومشى. عندما رجع إلى بيته، اكتشف بأنّ الفاكهة التي ابتاعها ليست سوى روثِ البقر؛ وكلّ موضوع الفواكه ما كان إلّا خدعة بصرية.

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**نابلس- القرن التاسع عشر**  
**سلام في جبل جريزيم**  
**Nablus in the 19th Century- Peace in Mount Gerizim**  
**بقلم مشايخ الطائفة**  
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**خِصام بين سيديين، على لا شيء**

في سبعينيات القرن التاسع عشر، عاش في مدينة نابلس التي كانت مثلها مثل كل فلسطين [في الأصل: أرض إسرائيل]، تحت الحكم التركي، سامريان، إسحق لطفي الدنفي ومفرج يعقوب من عائلة الصباح، أبو يعقوب وإبراهيم وحسني/يقت.

ذات سبب نشب خِصام بينهما نتيجة خلاف بخصوص تفسير آية في الصلاة، وهذا ما يحدث اليوم كل سبت تقريباً، ولسبب ما تآذى/جرح/أخذ على خاطره إسحق لطفي في الصميم. خرج غاضباً من الكنيس، ومنذ ذلك الحين لم يتكلم مع مفرج يعقوب بالمرّة، لا بالخير ولا بالشر، حتّى كلمة مرحباً لم تُسمع.

Continue reading at: <https://shomron0.tripod.com/2023/Nablus in the 19th century.pdf>

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**Mount Gerizim neighborhood**







**Aziz Cohen** post a photo of his father Tayeb Allah Thirah – Yaram, on Facebook 10/6/2023

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**Learning Ancient Hebrew from the Samaritan Channel**

<https://www.youtube.com/@IsraelSamaritans/videos>

Start with Lesson 1

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t8RC6f4D3ls>



הסרטים שלנו תכניות מיוחדות סדרות וקורסים הזמנות שלי VOD

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השומרונים: עדה, תורה, הר.

ישראל / 2022 / אורח: 78

בימוי: משה אלסי  
סשה: עברית, ערבית, אנגלית, שמרונים, תרגום לעברית  
The Samaritans: A Biblical People | הר, תורה, הר

מטע מידע: אל עמשה התרבות של עדת השומרונים המסורתית מסורתית בת 3,500 השנים. מעט נשעם וחדירת הקדמה מאיימים על קיומה של העדה: 850 השומרונים שמתגוררים על הר ג'רזים שואפים לשמר את זהותם הייחודית בטרם יזהו כמאור מזר. יוצר הקונצרט משה אלסי קיבל הזמנת גידור לדווע. את תרבותם, שממנצת בחור שכן היהדות לאסלאם, אלסי ליהר את בני העדה לאחר חמש שנים. התוצאה היא סרט אינטימי מיוחדת מכפפים על המבט כנגד כל הסיכויים שמנהלים השומרונים, על בראיתיהם קורות הדב, עד שמחזורים על צעורם.

הקרנה ב-2/10 בהשתתפות יוצר הסרט משה אלסי, החזן הראשי של עדת השומרונים הכהן מנחם מצליח, ונציגי העדה.

הזמנת כרטיסים  
בחרו תאריך ושעה  
בחר תאריך  
בחר שעה  
לרכישה

During the holiday of Sukkot

Three screenings of the film at Cinematech Tel Aviv

The first screening with the participation of members of the congregation - and the heroes of the film.

#Link to tickets in the first comment#

Come with joy!

The Front Page of the Magazine:  
**"AB - The Samaritan News"** - no. 1388-1389  
 of the year 2023 in its 54Th year  
 3.5.2023-152 pages  
 Bi-Weekly Magazine - 25 issues a year  
 First appeared in December 1, 1969  
 The Editors: The Brothers Benyamim and Yefet Tsedaka,  
 Holon, Israel and Mount Gerizim, Samaria

Subscribe: <https://www.israelite-samaritans.com/samaritan-newspaper/>







Samaritan Cookbook  
<https://www.1sem.org/>

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### Online: Israelite Samaritan Torah

By [Tsedaka, Yisrael ben Gamliel](#)

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

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### In the News

#### Videos

Amichai Shurtz - The 'sacred geography' of the Samaritans on Mount Gerizim at the Ariel convention <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q0IKIBffzJk>

The Samaritans are an unused weapon in the hands of the Arabs Between two mountains podcast <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oHKaSYb6oI> Arabic

#### Photos

Ori Orhof Photos on [Flickr](#)

#### Books online

Samaritan liturgy. Publication date 1850

[https://archive.org/details/lewis\\_o\\_150/page/n5/mode/2up](https://archive.org/details/lewis_o_150/page/n5/mode/2up)

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### Articles

#### Blond Ukrainians For The Good Samaritans

Laurent Zecchini May 08, 2013

<https://worldcrunch.com/culture-society/blond-ukrainians-for-the-good-samaritans>

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#### ספר תורה דיגיטלי

כתב: ישראל בן גמליאל צדקה



ערך את הספר חדיגיטלי ועד העדה השומרנית בעיר חולון



עד הקהילה השומרנית בחולון

## Do you Want Photos of Mount Gerizim?

Contact **Tomer Altef**.

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Instagram: [Tomer\\_altef\\_photography](#)

## Aboud Cohen VIDEOS

The Samaritan Insight: Live How and Why do Samaritans pray? Live #11

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

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/>



## Publications

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Friends and followers  
Now ,you can learn about  
the smallest, and the oldest  
community in the world,  
" Samaritan community ", by  
browsing the official website  
of the Samaritan Museum via  
the link

[samaritanmuseum.com](https://samaritanmuseum.com)

Also visit the website of The Samaritan Museum

<https://samaritanmuseum.com/>

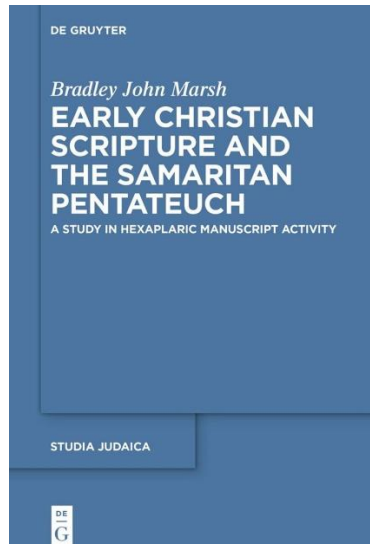


**Der Priester Pinhas in Jerusalem Und Auf Dem Berg Garizim:**

Eine Intertextuelle Untersuchung Und Literar-, Sozial- Und Religionsgeschichtliche ... Religionen in Der Antike) (German Edition) Hardcover – January 1, 2023

German Edition by [Tobias Funke](#) (Author)

- Publisher : Mohr Siebeck Ek (January 1, 2023)
- Language : German
- Hardcover : 550 pages
- ISBN-10 : 3161607716
- ISBN-13 : 978-3161607714
- Item Weight : 2.48 pounds
- Dimensions : 6.97 x 1.46 x 9.49 inches

**Early Christian Scripture and the Samaritan Pentateuch  
A Study in Hexaplaric Manuscript Activity**

**Bradley Marsh Jr.**

Volume 12 in the series [Studia Samaritana](#)

Planned Publication: September 14, 2023

**About this book**

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 σαμ-type (i.e., the Samareitikon) and a μovov-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.

**[The Transmission of the Pentateuch, Analysis of Variants Due to Graphic Similarity between MT and SP](#)** by **Hila Dayfani**

Volume 124 in the series [Studia Judaica](#)

Volume 13 in the series [Studia Samaritana](#)

Planned Publication: September 4, 2023

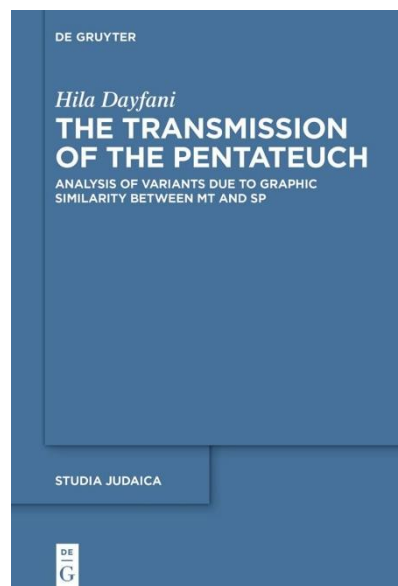
About this book:

The volume focuses on variants between the Masoretic Text and the Samaritan Pentateuch prompted by graphic similarities between letters. As a phenomenon that occurs during the transmission of ancient texts, an in-depth study of the linguistic and paleographic background of these variants provides fruitful ground for the exploration of the Pentateuch transmission.

This volume gathers all the relevant variants from the Masoretic Text and the Samaritan Pentateuch, comparing them to further witnesses, primarily the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Septuagint. Each case is examined independently through a linguistic analysis of the variants, their process of development and an evaluation of which version is preferable (when possible). It then presents a statistical analysis of the data.

Moreover, the volume offers a paleographic analysis of the interchanging letters in the three relevant scripts – Hebrew, Jewish, and Samaritan script. Through this process it determines the script in which the variants have occurred and estimates the chronological framework of the variants.

This study has implications for the textual history of the Samaritan Pentateuch and, more broadly, for the distribution of the Pentateuch and the extent of its transmission in the late Second Temple period.



**[The Samaritans \(Jewish and Christian Texts, 38\)](#)** Hardcover – September 7, 2023

by [Etienne Nodet](#) (Author), [James H. Charlesworth](#) (Series Editor)

Publisher : T&T Clark (September 7, 2023) English; Hardcover;: 224 pages; ISBN-10 : 0567709663 ISBN-13 : 978-0567709660 [Amazon Link](#)

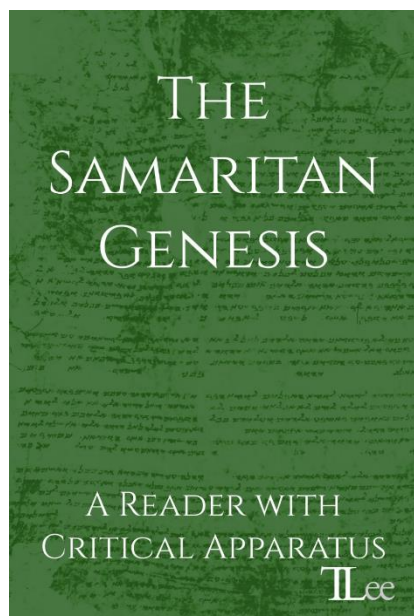
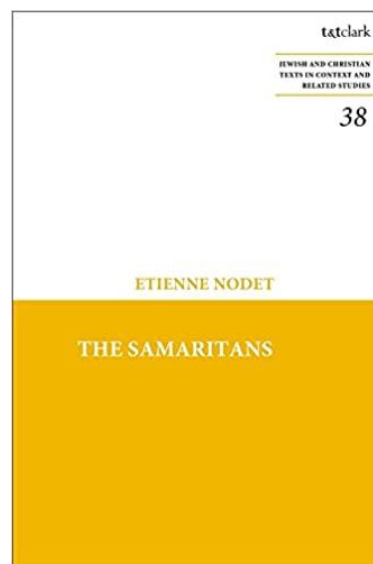


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