

CALENDAR OF JEWISH FESTIVALS (Feasts)

| Month # (Religious) | Month Name | Month # (Civil) | Current Month Equivalent | Day - Festival |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 1 | Nisan | 7 | March-April | 14 = Pesach (Passover) Book: Song of Songs 15 - 21 = Hag haMatzah (Festival of Unleavened Bread - 1 st and last days are Sabbaths) 1 st Sunday after 15 th of Nisan = Firstfruits of Barley Harvest* |
| 2 | Iyyar | 8 | April-May | |
| 3 | Sivan | 9 | May-June | 6 = Shavuot (Pentecost - originally 50 days after Firstfruits - a Sabbath). Book: Ruth |
| 4 | Tammuz | 10 | June-July | |
| 5 | Av | 11 | July-August | 9 = Tisha B'Av** (9 th of Av) Book: Lamentations |
| 6 | Elul | 12 | August-September | |
| 7 | Tishri | 1 | September-October | 1 = Rosh HaShanah (Yom Teruah, Feast of Trumpets, New Year - a Sabbath) 10 = Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement - a Fast and Sabbath) 15 - 21 = Sukkot (Feast of Tabernacles/Booths - 1 st and last days are Sabbaths) Book: Ecclesiastes |
| 8 | Marcheshvan | 2 | October-November | |
| 9 | Kislev | 3 | November-December | 25 Kislev - 2 Tevet = Chanukah** |
| 10 | Tevet | 4 | December-January | |
| 11 | Shevar | 5 | January-February | |
| 12 | Adar | 6 | February-March | 14 = Purim** Book: Esther |

See Leviticus chapter 23 and Exodus 12 for an explanation of the feasts/festivals

Days noted as a "Sabbath" are kept as Sabbaths even if they fall within the week. They were known as "High Sabbaths"

* Not observed today

** Not Biblical festivals (as in a commandment of God in Leviticus) but are celebrated by those of the Jewish faith