

+ Yom HaBikkurim + of Sfirat HaOmer

(the Early Firstfruits [Bikkurim - "promise to come"])



+ Special Observance

Father says (Leviticus 23:10-11):

The Torah says, "You shall bring in the Sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest. And he shall wave the Sheaf before YHVH for you to be accepted; on the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it...."

Father lifts the grain and says:

Let this grain remind us of the Early Firstfruit, the time of the Resurrection of Yeshua, our LORD and Savior.

Father says (I Corinthians 15:20):

"But now is HaMashiach risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep."

+ Response

All say:

Today is the FIRST day of the Sheaf.

Read the appointed portion of the Psalms.

Mark the appointed day.

+ The Omer Blessing

Father says:

Blessed are You, O YHVH our GOD,
King of the universe and eternity,
Who has set us apart by Your commandments,
and has commanded us concerning the Firstfruit.

All say:

We rejoice that Yeshua is our Firstfruit!
And in the Days of Counting that follow
we will remember that Yeshua is alive again
and we too will be a kind of firstfruits,
marked by the Scarlet Thread of Yeshua's Blood.

+ In Yeshua's Name, Amen +

*(A scarlet thread/cord can be worn around the wrist
during the Days of Counting as a reminder
of the Firstfruits and Yeshua's Resurrection.)*