

## Revelation 18:4

*"And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not*

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## Messiah as a Package



By Peter G. King'ori.

**A**s we come to close of the ages, it's wise to ask ourselves, if truly we have done what we were entrusted. When Messiah was ascending he commissioned his disciples to go and preach the good news to the world starting with Jerusalem Luke 24:47. We are product of this great commission. Time and platform cannot allow me to explain about the works of the apostles, their sacrifices and dedications to this great commission. Most were killed and the rest who saw

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**A**s a member of any group, there comes a time when you give your views and let it be challenged. As individuals, everyone has a purpose in life. Most live unfulfilled lives because they don't pursue their purpose for different reasons among them being discouragements, fear, setbacks etc. When it comes to spiritual purpose, one should pursue it as an individual rather than as an affiliation. We shall be judged as individuals (2nd Corinthians 5:10, Roman 14:12), as such we should endeavor to please our Creator not human. When Paul wrote to the Corinthians he emphasized on basing one's faith on scriptures rather than on men (1st Corinthians 2:5).

In Messianic fraternity, it's time we did accounts and bring ourselves to sobriety. We have been unable to preach the 3rd Angel message in our country due to sideshows, supremacy battles, avarice and superiority complex. Being conversant with the history of Messianic faith in Kenya, I feel we should cease "The friendly fire" and preach Messiah as a package as opposed to yesteryears "Messiah as an affiliation". Luke 11:23, true to our Savior's word that's what has been happening in our fraternity in Kenya. For almost a half century since we received the good news from Jerusalem.

Nobody from Messianic fraternity in Kenya can quote 1st John 2:19 unless he is a recent convert. For this reason, we have an extract from "The Call, history of church of God 7th day in Kenya" in this magazine. To the proponents of quoting the afore-mentioned scripture, 284 converts were baptized and 16 men ordained when the good news arrived in our country.

An article on "unity initiative" will help convey the message that in yesteryears would be impossible by men but now possible by Our Creator. It will show that it's possible to work together as a fraternity. "Messiah as a package" proves the possibility of conveying the 3rd Angel message as a fraternity as opposed to past years conveying it as an affiliation and the consequences of the latter. "A call to unity" shows the need of working together and accepting one another despite the small differences. Time is of essence and its paramount to redeem it by positively engaging for purposes of working together as portrayed by "To all factions".

May Almighty bless and guide as you read the articles.

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## **A Call to Unity!**

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**W**hat makes me and you different? Do we differ in the form of worship? Do we worship different Creators? Do we use different Bibles? Just what make us not to walk together?

Many years ago two great apostles differed over something in a gentile land. It was in Antioch when Paul and Peter differed. Peter on seeing some brothers coming who were Jews feared that they may condemn him for eating with uncircumcised gentiles. Paul had the courage and love to rebuke

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sianic Believers, we should pursue peace not only amongst ourselves but to even the

wider world (Hebrew 12:14). *What unifies us is the day of worship, hope, baptism and even songs.* If you happen to be walking on the streets and hear a messianic song playing the first thing that comes into your mind is that, the person is a Messianic Musician. Sometimes I ask myself, why do we fight yet when worshiping we still use the same songs we composed (or Elohim gave to us) before the divisions but we can't worship together.

This age of social platforms has enabled Messianic from different Factions to meet and challenge each other to a point of meeting in person to engage for purposes of working together. Sometimes back, a lady from Faction A was to wed but unfortunately the faction divided into 2. The gentleman (bridegroom to be) was left in Faction A1 while the lady was left in Faction A2. When they asked the consent to go ahead with the wedding plans, the elders took the opportunity to flex muscles and started supremacy over each other. Without going into details the sideshows affected both parties to a point that one party decided to seek help from social



**Messianic believers singing to The Almighty, we use the same songs when praising. (1 Corinthians 14:32)**

platforms!

It then dawned to most of us the magnitude of the divisions and how it would affect us if we kept quiet, after all "there comes a time when silence becomes a sin" and, "we will have to repent in this generation not merely for the hateful words of the bad people but for the appalling silence of the good people". Before someone criticizes me for quoting philosophers, its because I emulate Paul (1st Corinthians 11:1) who also did quote them in Acts 17:28.

Its true that we can use the social platforms positively or negatively. We have sent and continue to send our children to institutions of higher learning and they become conversant with the technology and as such we should not condemn the technology but should condemn misusing it. After a heated debate, we met in persons. The 1st meeting was held in Nairobi by different factions and attended from different regions in the country. I don't need to attach the minutes but anyone interested can get it at request. The meeting continued in Nakuru, Eldoret, Bomet etc. The main objective of the meeting was to convey the unity message among the factions in messianic fraternity.

Most people think that they don't have a part to play in our fraternity but that is a lie from the evil one, who always opposes what is good and Elohim's will. If the sideshows and supremacy battles continue, it means the church will continue to crawl instead of growing towards perfection. For those who fuels divisions ask yourself, who are you working for? (Luke 11:23). Whatever you do, good or bad you shall account for it (Roman 14:12). No one was called to fight others. When Israelites divided into two i.e. southern kingdom and northern kingdom, the latter wanted to attack the former but Almighty warned them not to attack since they were brethren. The same in this age we all as Messianic have the same origin (1st Corinthians 12:13).

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Choices have consequences. If we choose to continue with the divisions we will reap the same (Galatian 6:7). In fact, no one should fight the other since none of us has entered the Holy city, we all are asking for the right to the tree of life (Revelation 22:14). For those who think they are perfect and accuse others of imperfection please read 1st Corinthians 10:12. Nobody can claim his faction is the right one unless he want to start a personal doctrine because in the scriptures its very clear who knows the right people (2nd Timothy 2:19).

If we keep on poisoning our children by telling them that there are no other Messianic Believers beside our faction, one day we will bear the consequences when they grow and realize there are others. How can you take poison and expect another person to die? Whatever we plant we should never expect another person to reap. If we plant hatred, we will reap the same. Some of the people who don't want other Messianic Believers might have committed Apostasy (hebrew10:26-27) and they fear being smoked out when Messianic Believers meet. These are the people who will talk ill of other Messianic and thump chest themselves as the only true remnants. A death convict in Kamiti would engage negatively since nothing more than being sentenced to death can intimidate him.

If you happened to be in a town far from your faction and Sabbath finds you there, would you prefer to stay indoors or join other Messianic Assemblies even if not your affiliates? When you visit a faction and they don't love you, don't hate them but rather pray for them. If you ask someone to give you KSh. 100 and he tells you he doesn't have, would you hate that person? If you have a

pure conscience, you will believe he doesn't have the money. The same if you visit a faction and they don't love you, its because they don't have the love and they can't give what they don't have. The commandment says don't steal but it doesn't say don't get stolen from, meaning the same to the 2nd greatest commandment Mathew 22:39, Yahshua said "Love" he didn't say don't get loved. So for one to become truly like our creator who maketh sun to rise to both evil and on the good (Matthew 5:45) he must love unconditionally.

In yesteryears in messianic fraternity you could visit a faction and the first thing the elders did was to call you outside and interrogate you. If you don't belong to their faction you would be thrown outside. They would ask you, who is your overseer, pastor and elder. After the response, if you are not of the same faction they would give you conditions such as you have to be baptized again by their minister. That was the height of supremacy battles and sideshows, its unfortunate that there some factions that are still practicing the vice. Yahshua said he was not good Mathew16:17, but there are men who think that unless they baptize you or get you baptized by their affiliate minister you won't see the kingdom. Paul who preached to the gentiles never affirmed anywhere that he was the only apostle whose baptism could be accepted

(1st Corinthians1:14-17). He also accepted other people's work and attested to it as complete (1st Corinthians 15:11).

What was planted by our spiritual parents came more from Satan's suppression of Elohim's command to the church i.e. love one another than in doctrine. Instead of them raising believers they raised sycophants (no offence). The latter will fight others not on doctrinal ground but on pleasing people ground. When the apostles wanted to chose Judas replacement in Acts 1:21-26, they never looked at the replacement from human perspective but looked at it from spiritual perspective. Having known Justus and Matthias from Yahshua's time, in fact the two were among the seventy two sent by Yahshua in Luke 10:1. Nevertheless they searched for divine help to get the replacement. If we as Messianic are truly founded on the prophets and apostles (Ephesians 2:20), we should emulate them. If someone is not in your faction and you want to know if he is truly a Messianic Believer, instead of asking people (because if you ask a person and he happen to be his enemy he will give you a negative report), pray to Elohim for revelation for its him who knows all men (Acts 15:8). Even Samuel, a prophet, once got it wrong after judging from human perspective (1st Samuel 16:7). As Messianic we don't walk by sight but by faith (2nd Corinthians 5:7).

If you think you are the only true remnant then you need to practice what the scriptures states. All commandments are bound by love and no matter how truthful you are (as you purport) without love its of no use and your message is distorted. When we preach and get new converts, let's major on teaching them about doctrine, rather than telling them how others left us and " we "are the only



true remnants. These converts will be more poisoned than "we" would think and one day they will reciprocate by quoting the same to "us".

We have fought for so long for the past 46 years. In a boxing ring when people are fighting, they get tired and in their inner being they wish the referee to come and stop the fight. Who feels like me? The energy left is to engage the BEAST and not fight my fellow Messianic Believer. We are not adversaries we are contemporaries. Let's channel our energies to good work rather than in supremacy battles. When a Messianic Believer leaves a faction and joins another faction, mostly he won't be rebaptized but would be accepted. The hypocrisy is that, the faction he joins will now count him as perfect since he is with them, but if he depart to another or goes back to his former faction to them he is a sinner and imperfect. That clearly shows that people have taken Elohim's seat of judgment.

As Messianic its good to avoid negative engagement. If you visit a faction and you are allotted time don't initiate or provoke a negative engagement. For example if you visit a faction and they don't keep feast, while you keep the feast(s), when allotted time don't tell them to keep unless its the only thing you know or its in your mind. Elohim is rich. You can exhort the brethren by any other message than that one that can bring strife. The same applies to those who don't keep feasts. I was told by

a person that Shoemaker once said "I and brother Dugger disagree but we never argue". If you feel you are the one in the right track you can engage them outside the church and discuss maturely and purely, with no other intention other than that of kingdom seeking (1st Corinthians 9:21-22, Roman 14:1,15:1,12:3).

When we quote Roman 1:8 to the gentiles, do they see that same reflection in us? That's why you see a faction holding a National meeting but only 1 tribe is represented. National means the whole country and I don't want to imagine the whole country has only one tribe. Its time we asked ourselves what is the meaning of the following scripture Revelation 7:9 'After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations,

and kindred's, and people, and TONGUES.....' emphasis is mine to highlight that its not one tribe but many if not all. Let's avoid anything that can suppress Elohim command of loving one another. Its amazing to see a Messianic Brethren who can't tell another messianic 'shalom' just because he/she is not from his/her faction. When the church will be persecuted and you meet in the prison, is that the time when you will Shalom each other? At that time, you will be friends willingly or not since its for the same reason you will have been confined. Let's Shalom willingly because if we don't we will Shalom forcefully and the latter has no blessings while the former is truly blessed.

Sometime back when illicit brew was being confronted, the brewers were known and were engaged by the rest regardless of position. The same to Messianic Believers, we are known by our families, friends, colleagues and neighbours. So, it's good



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**Third Angel Messengers from different *Factions* working in unity to spread the message at *Malili in Kitui*.**

**1 Corinthians 15:11; 1 Corinthians 12:13,14**

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to affirm our stand. The people who are fighting other Messianic Brethren and upholding themselves are the same that will betray the rest as affirmed in Mathew 24:10.

There are consequences in everything we do, not only as Messianic Believers, but also as human beings. If you fight others, one day you will also be fought. Revelation 13:10 He who killeth by sword shall be killed by a sword. Sword represent Elohim's word Hebrew 4:12. This is to everyone who wants to see the soon coming kingdom, 'flee from negative engagement'. The leaders we have are more of superstars than their predecessors the prophets and apostles. Moses as a leader in the church of wilderness Acts 7:38 wished to have everyone like him as affirmed by Numbers 11:28-29. The leaders in the same church in this age (since Yahshua didn't start another church but came to gather the lost to the same church Moses was leading) are completely different. They suppress every young spiritual gift. Instead of supporting, mentoring and equipping the youths for the field, they hinder them from growth. We have an annual ordinance in Messianic faith, the 'feet washing'. It makes us understand the great purpose of the leaders and the rest, they all should accept each other without conflict. The leaders should not practice lordship over others since even them they are kingdom seeking and as such should humble themselves like Moses who was not only humble amongst those he led (the Israelites), but in the Whole earth Numbers 12:3.

When apostles were clothed with the power from heaven Acts 2:1-4, they started being productive and 3000 souls were added and they continued in adding the numbers to 5000 men acts 4:4. How about our case 46 years? We have more divisions!. This

faith is not by virtue of experience,, no one should count the years he has been in faith. Instead, one should be preparing himself for the soon coming kingdom Mathew 20:1-16. If you don't bear fruits you will be cut out regardless of your years in faith and the axe is ready John 15:1. If Israelites were destroyed after being delivered from bondages, and only two of the lot that were above 20 years were saved, this era is no exception! Jude1:5, Numbers14:21-30.

We can come together and preach the message (3rd Angel) since time is of essence or we can affiliate ourselves to fight each other. Choices have consequences. As a fraternity we have the capability and competence to work together what is lacking is the desire to engage. Its also advisable to be cautious when engaging in social platforms since not all are true believers others are even impostors. Some people unless you meet in person you can't be sure of their stand on faith. Many have fallen from faith and are not active in their home churches but are very active in the social platforms. When they hear of unity meeting they can't come out for fear of being smoked out. If you are clean, and the division is on differences and not sin, then this is a forum of the likes.

If we are spiritual then let's walk and be led by spirit. When Rwanda was affected by genocide, no one thought

they could rise again as a country but they rose up. They embraced each other and forgot the past and started building their country. In our country, after post election violence we learned something and did let go the past. In fact the two tribes that were at each other are now working in harmony. These all are in flesh, how much more should we come together those who are in spirit? Let's not major on minor things and stop focusing on irrelevant issues while neglecting highly relevant ones (3rd Angel message).

As young people, we have a role in the unity process. We can bring our professional input in our fraternity. Recently, our government succumbed to pressure from Christian leaders not to pass the proposed religious laws. The government wanted religious institutions to be under an umbrella among other laws. This should be a wake up call to our fraternity and realize if we don't change, change will change us. The proposed laws have just been postponed and even if it takes decades, one day it will resurface complicated even more. Those conversant with history know that when Titus invaded Jerusalem, he stopped for a while, but when he came back he destroyed Jerusalem to the ground. The church had fled since they heeded Yahshua's word in Luke 21:20-21, but those who were in comfort zone and busy with worldly engagement didn't. When Titus came back they bore the consequences. This age is not different Esther 4:14.

Where are the Nehemiah's of this age who won't fear Sanbalats and company? Fear is a sin and the fearful will not enter the soon coming kingdom Revelation 21:8. Let's engage in all platforms for this no-





***Different factions coming together as brethren.***

***John 13:35***

ble initiative and bear fruits for our Master. Its opened to Positive minded factions and individuals to come and engage for purposes of working as a fraternity.

May Almighty grant us the heart to love one another for this is the greatest tool for moving ahead John 13:35.

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in Kenya has been riding on Calls that have been made to other continents for leadership and direction. The greatest of the Calls is the one that is often made heavenward towards the Creator of the Universe.

It was a period when various missions abroad used to send tracts and pamphlets en mass to third world countries in an effort to evangelize Africans and make them abandon their gods and forms of worship. The tracts and pamphlets would find their way into already established

missions in African countries. It was during those years that tracts from The Mount Zion Reporter found their way into Kenyan missions. These missions were spread across the country in areas like Rabai, Gendia (Kendu Bay), CMS (Limuru) etc.

Several African men who were working in these missions used to interact with some of these pamphlets and tracts. Some took the materials with all serious-

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led to a pamphlets and magazines being sent their way from the publishers.

1958 to June 1970 were years of The Church of God 7<sup>th</sup> Day pioneers in Kenya to strategize and be formally baptized into the Church of God 7<sup>th</sup> Day. A Call had earlier been made to Jerusalem requesting a Jew minister to come and baptize these members. Jerusalem headquarters at the time was in sh of Jewish ministers and thus were contemplating to send Elder William Heuer from America to the Kenyan Call. But before Elder Andrew N. Dugger could release Elder William Heuer, Elder Andy M. Shoemaker arrived in Jerusalem from a missionary trip in the U.S.A.

Elder Andy M. Shoemaker arrived in Kenya on 31<sup>st</sup> July 1970 and in a period of slightly less than three months was able to baptize two hundred and eighty four converts. He was also able to ordain sixteen men to work as ministers of the Church of God 7<sup>th</sup> Day Jerusalem headquartered in Kenya.

In 1971, the first division in the church was experienced when leading elders could not agree on a few issues like cooking fat, prayers, western medicine, manifestation of the Holy Spirit and procedures during the feast of tabernacles.

The divisions led to three major factions each being led by one or more of the pioneer elders ordained by Elder A.M. Shoemaker. Each of the three groups termed their group as the only true one and their leader as the only recognized "overseer"

Worldwide Church of God founded by Elder Herbert Armstrong made some in roads also through their

ness and started correspondences with the publishers while others saw no need for further inquiries. By 1958, some had started meaningful correspondences which series of other tracts, magazines being sent their

literature and in 1977, a minister in charge of Africa region made some contacts and organized for a lecture at the Kenyatta Conference Centre (KICC). Most of those who attended the KICC meeting were members of the Church of God 7<sup>th</sup> Day Jerusalem headquartered. Worldwide Church of God had taken some stand on some matters that Church of God 7<sup>th</sup> Day had not taken a firm position like holydays mentioned in Leviticus 23.

The General Conference of Churches of God (Seventh Day) commonly known as Denver Group, also made some contacts in 1980's through their famous magazine. Soon a church was established and later on a mission was set.

In 1981, Elder William Heuer and Bob from USA led the Kenyan Church of God 7<sup>th</sup> Day Jerusalem Headquartered a visit. Key in their mission was to unite now the varying factions of the church which all claimed affiliations to Jerusalem. Elder Heuer in an effort to bring harmony introduced a Board of Seven which was composed of seven elders, two from key of the three Jerusalem affiliated churches that were not seeing eye. He also ordained three elders to be overall caretakers of the Church in Kenya.

At this point so many split groups in the United States of America were finding their way into the Kenyan chapters. The battles and strife in America were spilling over to Kenya causing more divisions, strife and battles. Some believers started hip hopping from one faction to the next in search of their hearts peace.

In 1990's following the doctrinal water down in Worldwide Church of God after the death of Herbert Armstrong. Worldwide Church lost followers' en mass, thus many other splinter groups were formed as a safe haven for the disgruntled followers.

As American and UK based churches started finding base in Kenya, some Kenyan believers tired of the foreign based affiliations decided to start their own Kenyan based factions. Most of the Kenyan based factions still claim Jerusalem as their headquarters and closely follows the doctrines and teachings of the Jerusalem headquartered factions.

***(Adopted from The Call, A History of Church of God 7<sup>th</sup> Day in Kenya by Martin K. Makokha)***



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these never feared but continued with even more zeal. The first Angel message and second are past (Revelation 14:6-8). To be in harmony with the First Angel message we should convey the 3rd Angel message with the same zeal as the former.

Since revelation is a prophetic book it can only be interpreted with scriptures and not human understanding 2nd Peter 1:20-21. If the first Angel was flying in the midst of heaven, then there must be a meaning of the phrase "midst of heaven" Revelation 14:6. Why not any other position? Midst (A place, literal or metaphoric, the middle of something). If it is literal we can't change the truth but accept it, same spirit that gave the Revelation also gave its interpretation 2nd Timothy 3:16-17. When people use their own interpretation they error from truth since truth is the word John 17:17. Nothing lacks in the holy scriptures and everything written has an explanation Isaiah 34:16. If the Angel was in the Midst of heaven, let's consult the scriptures to see this gospel of truth was to commence from where (since it's a literal place). In Ezekiel 5:5 we get this "Midst of Nations". The phrase "midst of heaven" is in harmony with the "midst of nations" for a man since it's the latter who conveys the message of the former.

The true faith is based on prophets and apostles Ephesians 2:20. As stones we join the building with nothing from our fore fathers by virtue of birth hence, everything we do as believers should be emulating



*Arriving at a Location to commence a week open air meeting (3rd Angel Message)*

*Matthew 16:27; Revelation 22:12*

our predecessors (the prophets and apostles). When the good news arrived in Kenya 46 years ago people were very hardworking towards achieving kingdom wealth and forth bringing fruits in our Masters vineyard. Somewhere in the journey, the evil one got advantage of them and after a decade the same people who were using the good news as a salvation tool started using it as a supremacy tool. In this magazine we have an extract from The history of church of God 7th day in Kenya to show the origin. Lest someone distort the history to favour himself and his faction. Sixteen men were ordained and most if not all Messianic Believers in our fraternity are as product of this work hence no one can quote 1st John 2:19. Since not one man was ordained but sixteen. It's un-

fortunate that we don't realize time is not on our side and the Saviour is almost back to ask the account of our work. We are not adversaries we are contemporaries. When persecutions start the persecutor won't care our differences but will persecute us, as a package. When the decree in Esther's time went out it affected every Jew in the kingdom, this era is no exception! The Messianic Believers who are in comfort zone should learn from Esther 4:14.

Friendly fire also kills, can we cease this fire and use our energies in conveying the message rather than on fighting each other. My first days in this field I met with all obstacles even from brethren. One occasion we happened to have an open air meeting for a weeks' time in county A, immediately I left with my team

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another team came in the same venue for 2 days and "preached". The reason of the second team coming was that the people who had invited us for the meeting were theirs and as such it was their ground. The said followers didn't concur with them since it was by virtue of prophecy that they had invited us and it had been affirmed from above (heaven). Later after I relocated to County B, the same people (The 2nd team) happened to be my nearest church in my new place. Nevertheless, I went to the church remembering the words of our Saviour in Mathew 16:23, Yahshua never hated Peter but rebuked Satan who had misled Peter. I refused to give Satan an avenue to defile me or suppress the command that Elohim had given i.e. Love one another and pray for you enemies. For someone in flesh it would be impossible to work with such people, leave alone to fellowship with them. I started fellowshiping with them and my input as an individual was highly welcomed.

In this age, we have sent and continue to send our children to institutions of higher learning than yesteryears. When they were young we taught them how others left us and committed apostasy (to the proponents of faction gospel, Apostasy is falling away from the truth not falling away from a faction). When they grow and leave their home town and join universities away from home instead of

upholding the faith they denounce it. Not because they don't know about the faith, but because when they were growing, instead of giving them milk (doctrine), we gave them poison (faction gospel). When that person goes to the university he would search for his faction and realize there is no church like his

parents (spiritual), and since he was told that others are fallen, he prefers to remain indoors (of which is draining than building). After a while, he starts moving around on Sabbath and finally he is out in the world. If the spiritual parent had taught him to accept others of the same faith it would have been helpful. To such spiritual parents please read Mathew 18:6.

This age of social platforms the young have realized their common origin. Sometimes there is even debates on different subjects of which they are not in harmony, but being drawn together by the urge to accept one another, they engage not for supremacy purposes or side shows but for the purpose of working together as a package.

As a fraternity we can't agree on everything, but can we come together and

preach on what we agree? i.e. 3rd Angel message. We can work as a fraternity while still being in our factions. As much as I work for all factions in our fraternity, at the end of the day, I fellowship in a faction where there is my input also as an individual. When Paul heard of the grouping in Corinthian, he never took sides. Imagine if he was a Kenyan Messianic leader? He would have upheld those who said for his and denounced the rest but filled with holy spirit, he never took sides 1st Corinthians 1:11-14, 1st Corinthians 3:4-10.

In my case I thank the Almighty that no one preached to me neither do I have a spiritual father and that's why I preach to please Elohim and not to please men. We were called by virtue of purpose and not works and when the reason is purpose it supersedes works. It's my hope and desire to see my kids in the New Jerusalem and this



With other 3rd Angel Messengers in a Mission at Malili

*Ephesians 4:8-12*





*The old and the young join together in a mission at Matunda. 1 John 2:13.*

makes me realize the importance of teaching them Messiah as opposed to my personal gospel. When they grow up, they will be able to choose for themselves based on the teaching founded on the scriptures, than on my words. Even if they leave for abroad, they will be able to maintain the faith in them since then I won't be there to make choices for them. It's painful to see our children growing in faith only to denounce it when in institutions of higher learning.

In a recently concluded youth meeting, I was invited as a facilitator and I shared the platform with a Professor, a Dr. (PHD) and a local university lecture of whom all are Messianic Believers. That is a proof that education doesn't compromise messianic faith. It's our upbringing and the poison (faction gospel) we gave them that is working against us. Since we are founded on the prophets and apostles, it's wise to emulate them. Moses was learned than anyone I know as attested by the beloved physician in Acts 7:22. Nevertheless, he was very humble.. Numbers 12:3. Paul was an academic giant of his time, but this didn't hinder him from completing the race... 2nd Timothy 4:7-8. It's unfortunate that those who brag or think Messianic faith is folly are maybe bachelor or master holders while the PHDs are very humble. This I attest, after meeting the Professor and the Dr. in spite of their academic qualifications, they were humble

and challenged the youth to live in Yahshua in spite of their academic qualifications. Anyway, Yahshua supersedes any academic qualifications Colossian 1:27.

As we continue to preach the 3rd Angel message, let's do the task ahead with love and cease friendly fire. Those in frontline have enough obstacles in the field engaging nonbelievers. Spare them believers fire. Being in the frontline, I attest it is not easy and unless you are called and have the passion in flesh you can't. You will encounter discouragements, setbacks, injuries, pain and still you have to fulfill what was purposed of you.

We have a team from most factions in our fraternity, who we work together. When we preach in a region instead of starting a church there, we search around to see if there is any Messianic Believer around. If there is, we hand over the converts to them so as to fulfill 1st Corinthians 3:6-8" I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour."

The church is Yahshua's bride, since in the scriptures the feminine gender is used to represent the church Revelation 19:7, Ephesians 5:22-33. No one who harms Her will go scot free. Paul having harmed Her, Galatians 1:13, was very careful not to ever harm Her again. He endeavored in preserving Her virginity until the wedding day

with Yahshua.. 2nd Corinthians 11:2. Earlier before being converted, he had persecuted Her. The consequences followed him even after conversion.. 1st Corinthians 9:5-6. Yahshua wouldn't allow Paul to have a Literal wife since he had persecuted His "wife to be" revelation 19:7. This made Paul to be very cautious when dealing with Her, and used all his energies to preserve her, not only as a virgin but also as a Chaste virgin 2nd Corinthians 11:2, "For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a CHASTE virgin to Christ" (emphasis is mine). He knew the consequences of messing with Her. To the proponents of faction gospel, be careful lest you play around with Her virginity. If as a husband you can't allow anyone to play with your wife, how will Yahshua allow anyone to play with His to be? Yahshua is Monogamous not polygamous, He is coming for a bride not brides.

The 3rd Angel message is not for a few but everyone who is a believer. No one will be rewarded for keeping Sabbath alone. Sabbath is a sign between a person and Elohim Ezekiel 20:22,20; Exodus 31:14-17. In Mathew 25, the ten were all virgins but five were thrown out. Luke 19:12-20, it's clear that the last servant still had the pound with him, meaning he had not lost it (was still a virgin) nevertheless he was thrown out.

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*Bible Readers in an open air meeting to convey the 3rd Angel Message. 1st Corinthians 12:4*

# Messiah as a Package

Keeping Sabbath and not preaching the 3rd Angel message is like someone who goes to the university and after graduating he takes the certificate home, puts it in a cabinet and expects to be paid. That is impossible, after graduating he should take the certificate and look for employment, work so that after the work, he will receive salary from the work. The same to a believer, Sabbath is like the certificate meaning you are qualified to work but if you don't work no matter how qualified you are no one will bring you salary home just because you have a certificate.

Not all are preachers but all have a part in conveying the message. The task is in 3 parts.

1. Prayers—No one even the poorest can say he/she can't afford to pray for a mission to convey the message. In fact, our Macedonian brethren were not poor but extremely poor 2nd Corinthians 8:2, yet Paul attested to their dedication beyond their limit.

2. Material input—Most work 8-5 and as such can't be available to convey the message. This is not a limitation, one can place his support to the messengers and he will be equally blessed as he is counted as part of the mission.. Romans 10:13-15. It's not how much you give that matters but how much love you put into the giving. Elohim loves a cheerful giver. If you can't give KSh.10 out of KSh.100, it's also true that you can't give 10million out of 100million. It's not the much you have that counts but the willingness to partner in Elohim's work 2nd Corinthians 9:7.

3. Availability—The message needs messengers to be conveyed. This is the most challenging but since its Elohim's field He has the prerogative of assigning whoever he wants. If called don't hesitate Ephesians 4:11.

It's unfortunate that those who don't input anything are the First to engage negatively with the messengers. I take positive criticism but negative criticism, I don't engage. We leave our families, home and our comfort zone to pursue this great purpose, yet those who are left behind with their families, entertaining themselves with all manner of entertainments and the latest gadgets, have the audacity to criticize us negatively. May Elohim have mercy on them. Some are not in the Ten virgin category in Mathew 25, having lost their virginity they have nothing more to lose. A duel between a virgin and a prostitute, the former has everything to guide while the latter has nothing more to guide. As the

former, I refrain from engaging with the latter negatively lest I lose mine too. I don't need to lose what I need in future (wedding day with Yahshua) for what I feel now (avenging myself).

When Yahshua said that we love and pray for our enemies, he simply meant it for our own good rather than for our enemies. Let's pray for them with unconditional love so that they stop disturbing us and others. Driving on the right lane doesn't mean you won't be prone to accident. The same in faith, no matter how much you refrain from offending others, some will hit you for no reason. In frontline, I have learned to forgive, since I don't want to be hooked to anyone. If you don't let your offender off the hook you are hooked to them and that is continuous pain, to me I always let it go. Mathew 6:12, If you pray and you haven't forgiven others, your prayers are of vain as the aforementioned scripture. Since this journey is more of prayers, through prayers, I won't allow Satan to suppress Elohim guidance.

In my case, I was called to be faithful not successful. My purpose is to fulfill my call, I wasn't called to make money or be liked of men.. Galatians 1:10. In the earlier days in the field as a 3rd Angel messenger, I met with obstacles and after I came up with the initiative "Messiah as a Package", setbacks became the norm of the day. Whatever resources I had were drained and sometimes I would be invited for open air meetings and couldn't afford. Nevertheless, I would attend regardless of the situation. Along the initiative, I had an instance that would have crumbled me. This was Elohim way of strengthening me for the task he had laid ahead and since He needed competence that Him only could give, He had to push me to limits and beyond. So that Excellency, sufficiency and provision remain His and not mine.. 2nd Corinthians 4:7.

Within a time-frame of 9 months, I lost my brother, He died (he wasn't Messianic because if he was, I would have said he slept 1st Thessalonians 4:13). Immediately, another brother was hospitalized for a long period (he has been on and off the hospital for the past Thirteen years). After His hospitalization, my father was bedridden and went partially deaf. This happened concurrently with my wife's illness, whom I was nursing bedridden at home. My First four kids frequently visited the hospital during this time. We were drained to a point that we were in rent arrears, the kids were sent home for fees and



in fact the First born spent a term at home. Nobody or church stood with us at that time 2nd Timothy 1:15.

The situation made me and my wife stronger spiritually and for the first time when praying, my first two boys (sometimes I let them lead the prayers) they would remember the less fortunate and the poor. Not that I taught them, but it came up naturally. Elohim stood with us at that time and that's why I serve Him, for He has truly shown PEACE IS NOT ABSENCE OF SETBACKS BUT PRESENCE OF HIM IN OUR HEARTS. That's why I separate friendship, family and faith each entity being independent from the other.

In early days of my life, I was bereaved of a sibling sister and my twin brother. Being alive was Elohim purpose otherwise he had power to take me and retain my twin brother. My purpose was bestowed without my consent since we don't choose Elohim but he chooses us.. John 15:16. In my First Ten years in marriage, we had a lot of setbacks including but not limited to a loss of a business. These were meant to strengthen us for the task that had been laid ahead. My wife is part of me since when am out on ministerial grounds, she takes care for our kids. That's why when other boast of what they have accumulated over the years, it's her constant love and support that makes me feel rich. Proverbs 31:29 "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all".

To the procrastinator of the 3rd Angel message, evaluate yourself and hope you find that time is of essence. Those who are in harmony with Jerusalem the 29th of the 40 point of doctrine states "THE THIRD ANGEL MESSAGE IS PRESENT DAY MESSAGE AND WILL CONTINUE TO THE ADVENT OF JESUS (YAHSHUA).. Revelation 14:9-11. It doesn't matter how long it takes Yahshua to come back, even if it takes

him 1000 years the effect is still the same i.e. the message has to continue. The apostles were zealous in conveying the message yet after Almost 2000 years Yahshua is not back. Meaning, if they were procrastinating they wouldn't have passed the message entrusted to them.

The main objective of a messianic brethren is to convey the third Angel message. It's unfortunate that there those who would pursue to build a multimillion church yet can't allot a single shilling to convey the message. As Messianic Believers let's get our priorities right. To the proponents of 3rd Angel procrastination read and re-read John 4:35.

As a messenger I have learned to accept rejection as part of life, I learn something and move on. When wounded I don't hit back, I leave it to Elohim for He is the one that heals the wounded Psalms 147:3. As a messianic, I have to be like Messiah who when reviled, reviled not; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously. 1st Peter 1:23. 1st Corinthians 13:4-7, Mathew 5:43-44, 1st John 2:10-11, 1st Peter 3:8-14.

As I end this article I feel the peace and tranquility given from above that no setback can suppress.

It's true that we have Elohim's people in Babylon as affirmed by Revelation 18:4. It's our duty to call them Roman 10:13-15.

I end with a messianic note "WATU WASALAMIANE KWENYE WATASOMA SABATO"

I won't sign off with an Amen since the message is continuous.... SHALOM.

**(Scripture quotation are from K.J.V.).**

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On transit after a 1 week open air meeting at Kissigame.  
2 Chronicles 15:7; 1 Corinthians 15:58



A messenger engaging in an open air Meeting at Kissa-  
game. Revelation 14:9-10,18:4-6



In a team, all are not Evangelists but all take part in a  
Mission. 1 Corinthians 12:5



# A call to Unity!

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apostle Peter over what he had done and by so doing corrected the wrong impression that was being created (Galatians 2:11-15)

Apostle Paul had an option of keeping quiet and let Peter have his way, after all apostle Peter was much senior in apostleship as compared to Paul (Eph. 3:8, Gal.1:17,18). Paul in love rebuked Peter into the unity of believers, thus successfully making gentile believers feeling at home in their salvation walk.

The Bible clearly records a number of instances where believers differed in one way or the other but what is clear is that their love for one another remained firm. At times believers themselves aligned themselves as per the minister who had given them the message of salvation. Those who believed through Paul, Peter and Apollos all claimed allegiance to the specific minister. Such scenario was witnessed in Corinth. Apostle Paul again was given that wisdom of rebuking these believers;

"Messiah has been divided into groups! Was it Paul who died on the cross for you? Were you baptized as Paul's disciples?" 1 Cor.2:13

The scenario at Corinth is more or else the same as in many Sabbath keeping churches in Kenya today. We need a Paul in our midst to bring sanity in the body of Messiah. Our key focus must be Messiah and Him crucified and resurrected. He is the reason of our salvation and faith, he is the reason we are holding on to faith until this time.

Once we lose our key focus and start gauging our salvation basing on human standards then we start seeing the Apollos, Peters and Pauls. Apostle Paul had all the reasons and qualities that we may need if we are to define our salvation on the human scale;

1. He was an Israel by birth, of the tribe of Benjamin and a pure blooded Hebrew (Phil.3:5)
2. He kept the whole law just like Pharisees (Phil. 3:5)

3. He was zealous in Judaism to the extent of physically defending his religion (Phil.3:6)
4. He was circumcised the eighth (Phil.3:5)
5. He received salvation message directly from Messiah not through any human minister (Gal. 1:11,12)

Now for ye who want to divide the body of Messiah for your own selfish gains, can we find a leader who equals to Apostle Paul on the human scale? If he (Paul) saw it worthy for the body of Messiah to remain united and be one;

*"There is one body and Spirit...." Eph.4:4 (a)*

Paul strived to maintain the unity of believers at all costs and whenever brethren seemed to be differing he would write an epistle to them urging them to speak as one, "Euodia and Syntyche, please, I beg you, try to agree as sisters in the Lord" Phil.4:2.

How comes that our age and time we've failed to agree in the Lord? How comes we still see other as different from us? Don't we worship the same Creator? Remember we used to fellow-

ship together in the earlier years, can't we agree to settle our disagreements?

Messiah in his prayers in John 17, He clearly prayed for His followers to be united as one (verses 11), our division clearly indicates that this wonderful prayer but our Saviour has never been fulfilled. It's our duty to make this prayer into a reality and to let the world know that we are Messiah's not by words alone but by loving one another.

I am ready to abide by Messiah's passionate prayers and see you and others as brethren in Messiah, what of you??

*(Scripture quotations are from Good News Bible)*

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# Sabbath School Lessons



*Young people listening keenly, what we teach our children matters most.*

**Proverbs 22:26**

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Recently the above issue was raised in a social platform and I also concurred with it. We have neglected our children in terms of nourishment. On Sabbath day when the rest of the church are going through The Lesson, our children are taken outside and mostly they are taught a memory verse and some songs the whole period they are alone. The world is becoming more sinful and the only day we have the kids is on Sabbath day. When drained in six days by the world, we should re-fill them on seventh day by positively equipping them for the challenge ahead. As I pointed out in an article in this Magazine, our children grow and are growing in this faith only to quit when in universities and institutions of higher learning, reason being the foundation we laid and are laying for them (Proverbs 22:6).

In Jewish culture they say, one can train a child up to seven years and be sure that the next years of his/her life he/she will not forget the teachings/training. In fact, most of our Messianic kids are used to the song "Kila Sabato sisi twafunzwa fungu la kukariri". Its high time we equipped them by letting them learn some basics of our faith so that when engaged in schools or by non-believers, they can be in a position to respond scripturally. In my case, I would opt to take the Kids and teach them than take the rest of the church in a Lesson. The impact was positive, since they could and can teach a Bible chart lesson to the whole church without a written script or my assistance.

The promise is ours and the children (Acts 2:39). It's Sad to see that we don't put emphasis on deep teaching to our children to a point of letting a Lady or a less conversant person with the doctrine to teach the children while the best of the teachers in the church remain inside. It's a challenge to most factions in our fraternity, for this reason we are open for discussions for those who have the passion and concern to come and prepare lessons for the children.

*The 3rd Angel Messenger has twelve lessons (quarterly) for children/Sabbath School, anyone interested can engage via the address submitted in this Magazine.*

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# TO all Factions

In terms of literature, our fraternity (Messianic) is lacking. The most known method of conveying the 3rd Angel message is through engaging non-believers in open air meetings. Times have changed and we have social platforms, but the truth is that not all can access these platforms. Many non-believers can't access the message since for them to engage in these platforms one must consent or join the conversations. It's a process and most are not ready or they don't have an idea where to get it.

Most factions are in harmony with Jerusalem literature and as such the call goes to anyone who feels he/she can have his/her input in passing these literatures to believers and non-believers. The literature is in English and not all are conversant with English. Some would wish to have the literature in Swahili or mother tongue. As much as we are affiliated somewhere we can come together as a fraternity and have these literatures in the other languages.

We already have Home bible instructor in Swahili "Mkufunzi Nyumbani" by Martin k Makokha. It's available for anyone. I have also seen Daniel and Revelation in Kikuyu "Mataririo ma ibuku ria Danieli na Kuguorario" a church of Elohim publication. Since this is not a side show or a supremacy battle, it would be wise not to translate what has already been translated. Any translated article is welcomed as we continue in the process of engaging to have the rest in Swahili, Kikuyu and Kalenjin languages.

1. Daniel and Revelation
2. Home bible instructor
3. Dugger-porter debate
4. History of true religion

- ◆ Death in the kitchen
- ◆ The Third Angel message
- ◆ Why the 7 plagues are literal and future
- ◆ The resurrection of Christ
- ◆ The greatest miracle of age-The re-birth of Israel
- ◆ The ten tribes of Israel
- ◆ The law of spirit of life
- ◆ The mark of the beast
- ◆ The Passover and lord's Supper (feet washing)
- ◆ The master's sign

- ◆ Marriage institution
- ◆ I will bless thee that bless thee
- ◆ Not under the law but under grace
- ◆ Israel God a reality or myth
- ◆ Hell what is it and where is it?
- ◆ The restoration of the kingdom of Israel
- ◆ What is the real baptism and doctrine?
- ◆ Crisis dates in the bible prophecy
- ◆ What was abolished by Christ

And many other tracks....

We are engaging to have the above translation professionally and legally available to avoid any offence to anyone including but not limited to plagiarism 2nd Corinthians 6:3

We also invite articles from different factions and individuals to appear in this magazine on the next issues.

We are preparing to leave for Congo on ministerial grounds although I am informed there is unrest in the country. Nevertheless, the message has to be conveyed. Even if it means sending literature there. I wish to ask any Messianic conversant with French to get in touch with me via the contacts submitted here to help prepare lessons and tracks in French, since the country is a French-speaking Nation. There is no need to out-source French translation from non-believers yet we have conversant Messianic Believers. Since we have sent our children to institutions of higher learning, this is the time for them to bring their input in Elohim's work. Let's have them done in a messianic touch. Mathew 16:27, Revelation 22:12, Roman 2:6. Amani.

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