

Greetings all!

New moon watch 5 is here!

While many are paying hard earned vacation money to bask in the sun or swim in the sea we in the USA sometimes just take for granted the differences of our foreign visitors. So I find it is noteworthy to include in this months new moon report some enlightening information about **cultural incongruities** that may exist between us in the Americas and those from over seas.

Info like: language, how persons assimilate to their new environment, how differing nations view sports and patriotism. Perhaps you may find some of this information useful someday yourselves. I'll fully explain at the end of this letter, but first ...

The data:

On **July 11, 2002** there will be a new moon over Jerusalem Israel at sunset. At 7:00 PM [19:00 hrs] the new moon will be about 1.3 days past conjunction with a 2% illumination. This chodesh 5 begins biblical calendar month "five". Why is it month 5 and not 4? For an answer to this question please see an interesting studytitled [Calendar Studies - Abib](#).

Data this month is from [Home Planet for Windows](#) software. This is a free software application and is available to you at: <http://www.fourmilab.ch/>

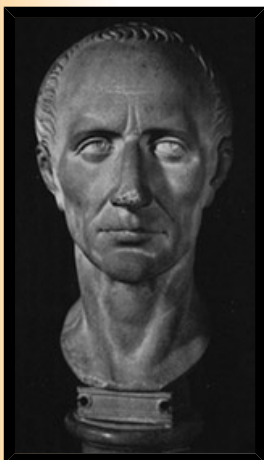
Actual new moon sightings list for the last 2-3 years dates can be seen at the monthly new moon chart at: Calendar Info <http://home.earthlink.net/~dwlacey/faq/calendar/nmcalchart.html>

Names of the Month

The Roman calendar month JULY

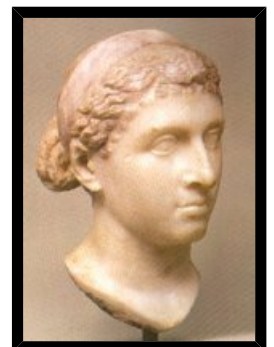
Named for Julius Caesar in 44 BC. The month originally had the Roman name of Quintilis. July has 31 days.

In the year 46 BC, the Greek [Sosigenes](#) convinced Julius Caesar to reform the [Roman calendar](#) to a more manageable form. At this time, Julius also changed the number of days in the months to achieve a 365 day year. In order to "catch up" with the [seasons](#), Julius Caesar also added 90 days to the year 46 [BC](#) between November and February (Vardi 1991, p. 238).



"Veni, Vidi, Vici." -- "I came, I saw, I conquered" said Caesar.

A bust of the "the last Pharaoh" - Cleopatra. In the summer of 47 BC, having married her younger brother Ptolemy XIV, Cleopatra and Caesar embarked for a two month on a trip along the Nile, aboard a legendary boat. Together, they visited Dendara, where Cleoptara was being worshipped as Pharaoh, an honor beyond Caesar's reach. They became lovers, and indeed, she bore him a son, Caesarion. In 45 BC, Cleopatra and Caesarion left Alexandria for Rome, where they stayed in a palace built by Caesar in their honor.



Caesar's acts were anything but overlooked by the Romans. In 44 BC, he was killed in a conspiracy by his Senators. With his death, Rome split between supporters of [Mark Antony](#) and Octavian. Cleopatra was watching in silence, and when Mark Antony seemed to prevail, she supported him and, shortly after, they too became lovers. I suppose that one could say the conquerer was conquered?

The Jewish calendar month AV, Ab or 'Abh

'Abh (not named in the Scriptures -KJV)

"Chodesh Av," the Month of Av, is referred to in the Bible as the "Fifth Month," counting from Nisan, the "First Month." There is a Biblical reference in BaMidbar (33:38), where we find "And Aharon the Priest went up to Hor Hahar at the command of G-d, and he died there in the fortieth year after the Jewish People had left Egypt, **in the fifth month**, on the first of the month."

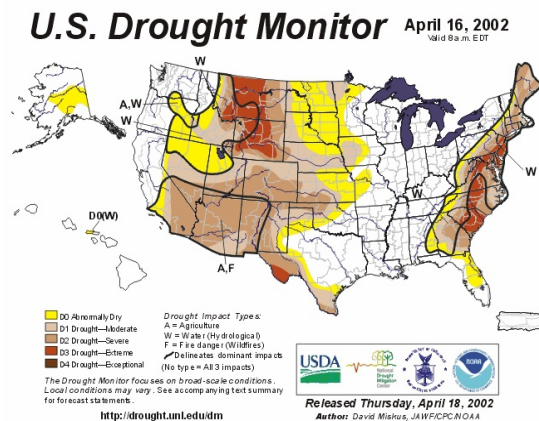
Strong's Hebrew 2320 - chodesh kho'-desh from 2318; the new moon; by implication, a month:--month(-ly), new moon; and Abib means green ears of grain.

Numbers 33:38 And Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the commandment of the LORD, and died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the first day of the fifth month. [KJV] (fifth month not named in the KJV Scriptures).

Some Biblical references to moon five [KJV]: **Numbers 33:38, Zech.7:3**

Drought Info:

Here is an animated graphics of the current drought as given from NOAA and the others whom comprise the Drought Monitor:



Historic Happenings - July 11

1302 An army of French knights, led by the Count of Artois, is routed by Flemish pikemen.

1346 Charles IV of Luxembourg is elected Holy Roman Emperor in Germany.

1533 Henry VIII is excommunicated from the Catholic Church by Pope Clement VII.

1708 The French are defeated at Oudenarde, Malplaquet, in the Netherlands by the Duke of Marlborough and Eugene of Savoy.

1740 Jews are expelled from Little Russia by order of Czarina Anne

1781 Thomas Hutchins designated Geographer of the US

1786 Morocco agrees to stop attacking American ships in the Mediterranean for a payment of \$10,000.

1792 Prussia army moves into French territory

1798 US Marine Corps created by an act of Congress

1799 An Anglo-Turkish armada bombards Napoleon Bonaparte's troops in Alexandria to no avail. [French Triumph in Egypt.](#)

1804 VP Aaron Burr kills Alex Hamilton in a pistol duel near Weehawken

1804 Alexander Hamilton is mortally wounded by Aaron Burr in a duel.

1812 US invades Canada (Detroit frontier)

1818 Keats writes "In the Cottage Where Burns Was Born," "Lines Written in the Highlands," & "The Gadfly"

1862 President Abraham Lincoln appoints General Henry Halleck as general in chief of the Federal army.

1864 Confederate forces led by Gen J Early begin invasion of Wash DC

1868 J C Watson discovers asteroid #100 Hekate
1888 118ø F (48ø C), Bennett, Colorado (state record)
1888 Pennsylvania's Monongehela River rises 32' after 24 hour rainfall
1901 L Carnera discovers asteroid #472 Roma
1905 Black intellectuals & activists organize Niagara movement
1916 1st federal grant-in-aid for state roads enacted
1918 M Wolf discovers asteroid #895 Helio
1921 Mongolia gains independence from China (National Day)
1931 NY Giants beat Phillies 23-8
1934 FDR became 1st pres to travel through Panama Canal
1936 Triborough Bridge linking Manhattan, Bronx & Queens opens
1939 Yanks host 7th All Star Game, McCarthy starts 6 Yanks, AL wins 3-1
1942 In the longest bombing raid of World War II, 1,750 British Lancaster bombers attack the Polish port of Danzig.
1944 Bill Boggs, Phila, TV host/producer (Midday, Morton Downey Jr Show)
1944 NL beats AL 7-1 in 12th All Star Game (Pitts' Forbes Field)
1950 NL beats AL 4-3 (14 inn) in 17th All Star Game (Comiskey Park Chic)
 Ted Williams breaks his elbow; 1st extra inning All Star Game
1952 Gen Eisenhower nominated as Republican presidential candidate
1954 1st White Citizens Council organizes in Indianola, Miss
1955 Congress authorizes all US currency to say "In God We Trust"
1955 New USAF Academy dedicated at Lowry AFB in Colo with 300 cadets
1960 Ivory Coast, Dahomey, Upper Volta & Niger declare independence
1960 NL beats AL 5-3 in 28th All Star Game (Municipal Stadium, KC)
1962 1st transatlantic TV transmission via satellite (Telstar I)
1962 Cosmonaut Micolaev set then record longest space flight - 4 days
1962 Fred Baldasare is 1st to swim English Channel underwater (scuba)
1967 Kenny Rogers forms 1st Edition
1967 Longest All Star Game, NL beats AL 2-1 (15 inn) (Anaheim Stadium, Cal)
1969 David Bowie releases "Space Oddity"
1969 Rolling Stones release "Honky Tonk Woman"
1971 Phillies Deron Johnson 3 HRs caps his 4 in a row
1972 American forces break the 95-day siege at An Loc in Vietnam.
1974 House Judiciary Committee releases evidence on Watergate inquiry
1974 World Football League plays 1st games
1975 Archaeologists unearth an army of 8,000 life-size clay figures created more than 2,000 years ago for the Emperor Qin Shi Huangdi.
1975 L Chernykh discovers asteroid #2489 Suvorov
1977 Medal of Freedom awarded posthumously to Rev Martin Luther King Jr
1978 NL beats AL 7-3 in 49th All Star Game (San Diego Stadium)
1979 US Skylab enters atmosphere over Australia & disintegrates
1980 American hostage Richard I Queen freed by Iran
1981 Sebastian Coe of UK sets record for 1000 m, 2:12.18
1982 Italy beats West Germany 3-1 for soccer's 12th World Cup in Madrid
1983 E Bowell discovers asteroid #3485 Barucci
1984 England's MusicBox begins satellite transmission to Europe
1984 NL beats AL 3-1 in 55th All Star Game (Candlestick Park SF)
1985 Astros' Nolan Ryan, 1st to strike out 4000 (Mets' Danny Heep)
1985 Refurbished Columbia moves overland from Palmdale to Dryden
1986 Ingrid Kristiansen of Norway runs 10,000 m in world record 30:13.74
1986 Maricica Puica of Romania runs 2,000 m in 5:28.69 (record for women)
1986 Mary Beth Whitehead christens surrogate Baby M, Sara
1987 Heart's "Alone," single goes #1 for 3 weeks
1988 Mike Tyson hires Donald Trump as an advisor
1989 AL beats NL 5-3, (3rd of last 4 All Star Games) in California
1989 President Ronald Reagan sportscasts the All Star Game

1990 NYC police arrest "Dartman" (stabbed over 50 women with darts)

1991 Total solar eclipse is seen in Hawaii

1995 Full diplomatic relations are established between the United States and Vietnam. [Accounting for American and Vietnamese MIAs.](#)

Born on **July 11**

Birth dates which occurred on July 11:

1274 **Robert the Bruce** Scotland, King (1328-1329)

1558 **Robert Greene** Elizabethan dramatist (Friar Bacon)

1754 **Thomas Bowdler** famous prude, bowdlerized Shakespeare

1767 **John Quincy Adams** Braintree, Mass, 6th Pres (D) (1825-1829)

1838 **John Wanamaker** merchant (Wanamakers Dept Store)

1851 **Millie and Christine** NC, siamese twins

1861 **George William Norris** (Rep-Neb)

1888 **Dr Lyman Bryson** Valentine Nebr, educator (UN Casebook)

1892 **Thomas Mitchell** NJ, academy award winning actor (Outlaw, Adventures)

1899 **E.B. White** writer (Charlotte's Web, Elements of Style)

19-- **Bobbi Jordan** Hardensburg Ky, actress (Tootsie-Blondie, Turnabout)

19-- **Brett Somers** New Brunswick Canada, actress (Blanche-Odd Couple)

19-- **Jay Johnson** Abernathy Texas, ventriloquist (Chuck-Soap)

19-- **Rodney Saulsberry** actor (Capitol)

1906 **Harry Von Zell** Indianapolis Ind, TV announcer (Burns & Allen)

1910 **Irene Hervey** LA Calif, actress (Aunt Meg-Honey West)

1915 **Colin Purdie Kelly** US, 1st US air hero during WW II

1915 **Yul Brynner** Sakhalin Is Japan, actor (King & I)

1916 **Gough Whitlam** (ALP) Australia, PM (1972-75)

1920 **Yul Brynner** actor (King & I, 10 Commandments)

1922 **Gene Evans** Hollbrook Az, actor (My Friend Flicka, Matt Helm, Alamo)

1927 **Herbert Blomstedt** Springfield Mass, conductor (Oslo Phil 1954-61)

1929 **Hermann Prey** Berlin Germany, baritone (Wolfram-Tannhaýser)

1931 **Tab Hunter** actor (Damn Yankees, Lust in the Dust, Battle Cry)

1931 **Thurston Harris** Indianapolis, vocalist (Little Bitty Pretty One)

1943 **Susan Seaforth Hayes** SF, actress (Days of our Life, Young & Restless)

1945 **Deborah Harry** singer (Blondie) actress (Videodrome, Hairspray)

1946 **Beverly Todd** Ohio, actress (Roots, Having Babies, Redd Foxx Show)

1947 **Jeff Hanna** rock vocalist (Nitty Gritty Dirt Band-Mr Bojangles)

1950 **Bonnie Pointer** singer (Pointer Sisters)

1953 **Leon Spinks** US, heavyweight boxing champ (1978, Olympic-gold-1976)

1953 **Peter Bergman** Guantanamo Bay Cuba, actor (Starland Vocal Band)

1955 **Sergey Babinov** USSR, ice hockey star (Olympic-gold-1972)

1956 **Sela Ward** actor (Hilary-Emerald Point NAS)

1957 **Michael Rose** rocker (Black Uhuru-Brutal, Positive)

1957 **Pete Murphy** rocker (Love Hysteria)

1958 **Mark Lester** Oxford England, actor (Oliver, Prince & Pauper)

1958 **Ray Dodds** rocker (Fairground Attraction-You Send Me)

1959 **Richie Sambora** guitarist (Bon Jovi-You Give Love a Bad Name)

1959 **Suzanne Vega** rocker (My Name is Luka)

1966 **Mel Appleby** rocker (Mel & Kim-Coming to America)

1977 **Brandy Gold** Northridge Calif, actress (Annie-Baby Makes 5)

This Day in Christian History - July 11

1533: Clement VII excommunicated Henry VIII for divorcing Catherine of Aragon, and afterward

marrying Anne Boleyn. Two years later, Henry broke with Rome and established the Anglican communion as the national religion of England.

1656: Ann Austin and Mary Fisher became the first Quakers to arrive in America and were promptly arrested. Five weeks later, they were deported back to England.

1952: American missionary and martyr Jim Elliot wrote in his journal: "Teach me, Lord Jesus, ... not to be hungering for the "strange and peculiar" when the common, ordinary, and regular, rightly taken, will suffice to feed and satisfy the soul."

1955: American Presbyterian missionary Francis Schaeffer observed in a letter: 'No price is too high to have a free conscience before God.'

1967: The Vatican reported that Albania had closed its last Roman Catholic church. (Albania is a tiny Balkan country with an area only the size of Maryland.)

Source: **William D. Blake**. *Almanac of the Christian Church*, Minneapolis: Bethany House, 1987.

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Tips from the "**Old Farmer's Almanac**"

Gray hair!?! What gray hair! So, one of life's big questions is:

Q What causes gray hair?

A *Hair gets its color from the pigment melanin, the same agent that colors skin and eyes. The color is contained in the hair shaft, which is composed of long, tapering cells that have coalesced into fibrous material. Color is inherited, along with the degree and timing of graying. Gray hair is not really gray but an absence of color in the hair shaft, rendering it white or opaque. Graying usually starts (or you could say that natural pigmentation usually ceases) at the hairline and progresses toward the back of the head. The "gray," unpigmented hairs tend to be coarser than the colored hairs.*

Actually lots can be learned from watching another for changes in their hair color [or lack of it] and the shine that it displays [or not] as well as their finger nails also.

For more interesting questions [with answers] visit the web page **Old Farmer's Almanac**. Another really good article I found on this topic about hair and finger nails with pictures can be read at: <http://www.avera.org/adam/ency/article/004005.htm>

Intellicast.com [advanced weather forecasting for active lives] actually has a [USAFrizz Factor Map](#) for those whom are so compelled to wonder - it's generally lower in the Western USA, higher in the South.

Signs in the lights of the heavens?

For current biblical calendar information please see the articles [Calendar Info](#) and [Calendar of the Saints II](#).

Further reading of "[The Sacred Calendar Book](#)" can also be seen at:

<http://atschool.eduweb.co.uk/sbs777/saccal/calbook/index.html>

Scriptural Reading

The parable of the sower and the seed - the good seed and the good ground.

Matthew 13 ...

3 And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;

4 And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.
7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:
8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.
9 Who hath ears to hear, let him hear .

18 Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.

19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one , and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;

21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth , some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

English - **parable** = story told to illustrate a moral or spiritual truth

Hebrew - **mashal** = similitude, proverb

Greek - **parabole** = similitude

The Seed is The Word of God

verse 19 *When one heareth the **Word of the Kingdom***

...

20 *... the same is he that heareth **the Word** ...*

21 *... persecution because of the **Word***

NOTE: From these verses we can see the good seed is **the Word of God**, especially as it relates to the **Kingdom of God**. How little is heard these days about [the Kingdom of God](#). Preachers must also beware of sowing '**corrupt seed,**' '**counterfeit seed,**' '**seed mixed with tares,**' seed that is not based on the **Real Word of God.**

The Good Ground

verse 8 *But other seed fell into **good ground***

23 *But he that received seed into the good ground is he that:*

heareth the Word

and understandeth it
which also beareth fruit

and bringeth forth some an hundredfold, some sixty and some thirty.

Please tap your **page down** keyboard button **for a disparity of humor ...**

A friend in Christ,
David W. Lacey

YHWH, The Almighty God of Israel Is With Us!

The **Stewarton Bible School** web page is at: <http://atschool.eduweb.co.uk/sbs777/>

A Voice in the Wilderness web page is at: <http://www.avoicethewilderness.org/>

To the Saints of the Churches of God is at: <http://home.earthlink.net/~dwlacey/>

Cultural Differences Explained

Aussies: Believe you should look out for your mates.

Brits: Believe that you should look out for those people who belong to your club.

Americans: Believe that people should look out for and take care of themselves.

Canadians: Believe that that's the government's job.

Aussies: Dislike being mistaken for Pommies (Brits) when abroad.

Canadians: Are rather indignant about being mistaken for Americans when abroad.

Americans: Encourage being mistaken for Canadians when abroad.

Brits: Can't possibly be mistaken for anyone else when abroad.

Americans: Spend most of their lives glued to the idiot box.

Canadians: Don't, but only because they can't get more American channels.

Brits: Pay a tax just so they can watch 4 channels.

Aussies: Export all their crappy programs, which no one there watches, to Britain, where everybody loves them.

Americans: Love to watch sports on the idiot box.

Love to watch sports in stadiums so they can fight with other fans.

Brits:

Canadians: Prefer to actually engage in sports rather than watch them.

Americans: Will jabber on incessantly about football, baseball and basketball.

Brits: Will jabber on incessantly about cricket, soccer and rugby.

Canadians: Will jabber on incessantly about hockey, hockey, hockey, and how they beat the Americans twice, playing baseball.

Aussies: Will jabber on incessantly about how they beat the Poms in every sport they played them in.

Americans: Spell words differently, but still call it "English."

Brits: Pronounce their words differently, but still call it "English."

Canadians: Spell like the Brits, pronounce like Americans.

Aussies: Add "G'day", "mate," and a heavy accent to everything they say.

Brits: Shop at home and have goods imported because they live on an island.

Aussies: Shop at home and have goods imported because they live on an island.

Americans: Cross the southern border for cheap shopping, gas and liquor in a backwards country.

Canadians: Cross the southern border for cheap shopping, gas and liquor in a backwards country.

Aussies: Are extremely patriotic to their beer.

Americans: Are flag-waving, anthem-singing, and obsessively patriotic to the point of blindness.

Canadians: Can't agree on the words to their anthem, when they can be bothered to sing them.

Brits: Do not sing at all but prefer a large brass band to perform the anthem.

Brits: Are justifiably proud of the accomplishments of their past citizens.

Americans: Are justifiably proud of the accomplishments of their present citizens.

Canadians: Prattle on about how some of those great Americans were once Canadian.

Aussies: Wollow on about how some of their past citizens were once outlaw Pommies, but none of that matters after several beers.

Americans: Seem to think that poverty and failure are morally suspect.

Canadians: Seem to believe that wealth and success are morally suspect.

Brits: Seem to believe that wealth, poverty, success and failure are inherited things.

Aussies: Seem to think that none of this matters after several beers.

Canadians: Encourage immigrants to keep their old ways and avoid assimilation.

Americans: Encourage immigrants to assimilate quickly and dump their old ways.

Brits: Encourages immigrants to go to Canada or America.

Canadians: Endure bitterly cold winters and are proud of it.

Brits: Endure oppressively wet and dreary winters and are proud of it.

Americans: Don't have to do either, and couldn't care less.

Aussies: Don't understand what inclement weather means.

Aussies: Have produced comedians like Paul Hogan and Yahoo Serious.

Canadians: Have produced many great commedians, like John Candy, Martin Short, Jim Carrey, Dan Akroyd, and all the rest at SCTV.

Americans: Think that these people are American!

Brits: Have produced many great comedians, but Americans ignore them because they don't understand subtle humor.

And finally ... summertime has its moments ...

A working bee.



Psalms 24:13. My son, eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is sweet to thy taste:
14. So shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto thy soul: when thou hast found it, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off.