

ADAT HATIKVAH

Messianic Synagogue

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The "minor" prophets are not called minor because they have lesser importance, it is because of their short length. Amos for example has Nine chapters that focus on the physical success of Israel but the spiritual failure. Seemingly odd, Chapter one is about the nations around Israel and the list of complaints God has concerning them.

Amos 1:1-2

Amos 1:3-5

Amos 6-8

Amos 9-10

Amos 11-12

Amos 13-15

Amos 2:1-3

OUR MISSION

To Be and Make Disciples Of Yeshua the Messiah

OUR VALUES:

Love God Love People Pursue Excellence Eager to Grow

OUR DISTINCTIONS

To the Jewish people First And Also the Nations The Biblical Calendar The Bible as One-Story

Map the Following Nations on a map and write the sins around Israel.

Read Amos 1:3-5; 2 Kgs 8:9-15;

- · What are the sins of Damascus?
- How is this similar to Today?

Read Amos 1:6-8; 1 Sam 6:17

- What are the sins of Gaza?
- How is this similar to Today?

Read Amos 1:9-10; 1 Kin 9:11-14

- What are the sins of Tyre?
- How is this similar to Today?

Read Amos 1:11-12; Num 20:14-21; 2 Chr 28:17; Obad 10-12

- What are the sins of Edom?
- How is this similar to Today?

Read Amos 1:13-15; 2 Kin 15:16; Hos 13:16

- What are the sins of Ammon?
- How is this similar to Today?

Read Amos 1:13-15; 2 Kin 3:26, 27

- What are the sins of Moab?
- How is this similar to Today?

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Most importantly you can partner with Adat through prayer.

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TODAYS READINGS

Torah: Numbers 16:1-4 Haf: 1 Sam 12:1-5, 20-22

B'rit: Jude 1:17-25

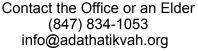














BINAH CENTER CLASSES AND GROWTH GROUPS

All education at Adat is becoming the Binah center. There are new classes, Bible Studies, and Growth groups forming now and may change. For the most updated Schedule visit the Binah Center Table or Contact Debra.Stackhouse@adathatikvah.org

NATION OF FOCUS: RWANDA

Continent: Africa Capital City: Kigali

Government: Republic; Presidential; Multiparty System Population: 11,901,484

Major People Groups: Bantu 97.7%, other 2.3%

Religion: Christian 89.12%, Muslim 5.20%, Ethno 3.80%, Non 1.70%, Baha'i 0.18%

Language: French, English, Kinyarwanda GDP Per Capita: \$2,100 Literacy Rate: 70.5%

UNREACHED: 25%

PRAYER POINTS

Pray for the Church to lead in national repentance, reconciliation, and healing.

- Pray for the provision and hope for widows, orphans, and other continued victims of the genocide.
- Pray for committed believers to stand firm in the face of cultural and tribal pressures.
- Pray this nation will have a heart for Israel and Jewish People

SUMMARY

Landlocked in East Africa, Rwanda is most known for the horrific genocide that took the lives of 800,000 people. It remains a deeply wounded nation. Attaining national stability in the wake of war and genocide has proven difficult. Yet, education, health, and incomes have seen improvement. Though it is one of Africa's smallest nations, it now has one of its fastest-growing economies. Three primary ethnic groups once populated Rwanda: Hutus (88%), Tutsis (11%), and Pygmies (1%). When Europeans came in the 19th century, they introduced the idea of racial superiority. Violence between Hutus and Tutsis in the 1950s and 1960s led to a mass exodus of the Tutsi minority. Over the next decade, over 20,000 Tutsis were killed. The Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF) was formed by those in exile, and their 1990 invasion of Rwanda led to civil war. Shortly after a ceasefire in 1994, Rwandan president Juvenal Habyarimana's plane was shot down, leaving no survivors. Fighting immediately followed. In just three short months at least 800,000 people were brutally massacred - mostly of the Tutsi minority. Following a ceasefire, roughly two million fled. Since these horrific events, the government has mandated its people be referred to as "Rwandan" citizens" and not Hutu or Tutsi. Freedom of speech has been suppressed, and any anti-government propaganda is threatened. Rwandans also suffer widespread devastation from HIV/AIDS. With few natural resources outside the land, most Rwandans work in agriculture. While the economy is seeing improvement, and increasing numbers are rising out of poverty, the fact is more than 60% of the population continues to live on less than \$1.25 a day.

Tragically, this nation that predominantly claims Christianity (89%) allowed and even perpetrated the massacre of 1994. The atrocities of genocide and war have caused some to turn from their faith. Some have turned to Islam, while others have been ensnared by false gospels (prosperity theology, legalism, and syncretism). Yet suffering has also opened the door for the global Church to express God's love. Since the war, Evangelicals have seen dramatic growth within the Church. Some of the victims of gruesome violence have chosen to forgive. Yet deep healing is still needed as an entire generation suffers the mental trauma that comes from experiencing such devastating loss.