

October - 2021

Dear Friends,

With this letter you should have received a 2022 daily planner. As was stated last year, we know God is working His plan in spite of man's choices, and so once again it is our great hope this daily planner will help remind us all to hold on to Him each passing day! This year I have to say, the events of 2020 put us behind on so many things that we have struggled like never before to get caught up. I am sorry to say we have not made much headway in that area during 2021. Due to that we wanted to inform all of you that there was no true pre-order season for the 2022 calendar. While the calendar was made available on our online Resource Shop about the same time it always is, we did not send out the normal white cards to make pre-order available through regular mail. We simply could not get them out in time for it to mean anything by the time we would have gotten them back. What this means is, we just started going down the list of those who had sent in yellow cards in an attempt to get calendars to each of them as soon as the calendar was ready. We then followed that work by trying to get specific orders for the 2022 out and, of course, work to send all the remaining subscriber's calendars with the Nov/Dec issue of Shaqah. In the end, it is our hope everyone got/gets their calendar in as timely a manner as possible. Our world has changed but Living Springs will continue doing the work The Lord makes a way for us to do, and we thank all of you for your continued desire to receive the materials God has allowed us to produce!

Counting The Days

For those new to this project, *Counting The Days* is the companion book for the calendar. Many of you already have this book, but for those of you who do not, we've tried to make it as easy as possible for you to get one. Inside each 2022 calendar there should be a pink card you can use to order *Counting The Days*. Simply check the box on the card and it will only cost you a stamp to send it to us and request your free copy of *Counting The Days*!

Also, remember that the companion book is part of the general materials available to order from Living Springs, and this means the book is available to order no matter if one does or does not have a pink card! If you know someone who does not have a calendar but wants to order one and would also like the book, please let them know it is cheaper for us if they order both at once. Ordering both at the same time will save them postage as well as Living Springs!

This also means those ordering multiple copies of the calendar, who truly believe the individuals they are giving them to would like the book, should let us know how many companion books they want sent along with their 2022 calendars!

Yellow Card

As already mentioned, if you sent/send in the yellow card for the purpose of letting us know you want the next year's calendar, we automatically put you on the list of those who will get the next year's calendar when the pre-orders go out. This year that simply meant we sent them, as soon as they were available. Thus, we want to emphasize, if you've sent in your yellow card there is no need to send back a white card in order to get your calendar for the next year. No matter when yellow cards are received your calendar will be sent as soon as your order is processed. The only reason to send in a white card after already sending a yellow card is if you believe it's been so long you think we might not have gotten your yellow card. It is also good to remember, each year's calendar is sent automatically to those who subscribe to *Shaqah* by regular mail, and remembering that saves subscribers postage. Also, remember that as a regular print *Shaqah* subscriber, if this calendar is not something you are interested in receiving, please take a moment to use the yellow card to let us know, and we will put that note on your subscription information.

Not A Subscriber and E-mail Subscribers

If you're not a subscriber or are an e-mail subscriber to *Shaqah*, that's when the yellow card really comes in handy. You can simply use your yellow card to tell us you want the following year's calendar, because if you do not tell us, you will not receive one automatically.

If you're reading this letter and you're not a regular print subscriber to *Shaqah*, nor did you order a 2022 calendar from us, you likely got one because someone has sent this year's calendar to you as a gift! We want you to know this has not added you to a mailing list, and we will not continue to send calendars year after year unless you order one, or someone continues to request it for you! If the calendar is not something you want, please use the yellow card to let us know, and we will do our best to keep that on our records. Be sure to put your name and address on the return address portion of the card. Both of these are important as we do not want to refuse requests for other people who might share your name, and please be aware that if your address changes, we may fail to identify you in the future!

More Calendars

Now, we've already covered this to a degree, but for those who would like to give one of these calendars to others for witnessing, as a teaching tool, or just to share with a friend as a gift, simply write or e-mail us to order more. You can also visit our online Resource Shop. The drop-down menu gives you a chance to order up to five, because, as with all our materials, we do our best to provide these free of charge. This does not mean we are unwilling to provide more than five, but for larger quantities, we simply ask that you make the request directly. This gives us the ability to handle bigger orders on a more personal case by case basis, and assures we have the right information from you. If you would like more than five calendars, you can still use the Resource Shop form by simply making your request in the comment box!

PDF Calendar

Never forget there is also a PDF version of this calendar which is available for download from our website. You can print this version for yourself, or to give to others. For reference and study purposes, you can also download the PDFs of all the previous years we've produced. Just visit www.livingspringsinstitute.org, click on "Learning Center," then "Calendar Project," then the PDF calendar icon.

In closing, I want to be sure you all know it is not just something we repeat each year, it is something we feel deep in our hearts when we say thank you to all of you for taking part in this ministry! Your feedback on this work is always appreciated. The many encouraging words we have received has lifted us up at times we needed it more than most of you can know! The time grows short but we will continue to offer these calendars, and *Counting The Days*, free of charge, as long as The Lord makes a way.

Sincerely,

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