**L’Chaim Group Agenda**

**Beth Shechinah**

**Ruth Series**

June 1 – June 8

**Welcome (Icebreaker Options - choose one)**

* If you could change places with a Bible character, whom would it be and why?
* What is your favorite book of the Bible? Why?
* What was the most important event in your life last week?

**Mission Statement:** We focus on three things: connecting with Yeshua, connecting with one another, and serving our world. This group does not exist for us. Someone invited you, now it is your turn to invite others.

 **Worship:** (**possible options – choose one**)

Have times in worship where your small group members, one by one, speak out:

* [The names of God](http://www.toolsformentoring.com/small-group/names-print.html)
* [Attributes of God](http://www.toolsformentoring.com/small-group/names-print.html)
* Or finish the sentence: “Lord I thank you for…”
* How did God use you in someone's life this past week?
* Share meaningful Bible verses, rejoice in God's goodness.
* Sing: Baruch Hashem Adonai: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-EDnrwN9DwM>

**Word (Discussion Questions): Ruth 4**

* What new insight(s) do you glean from reading this passage? What would you say is the key verse? Why?
* What is Boaz’s responsibility in purchasing the land and acquiring Ruth as his wife? What was he required to do? Vs. 9,10
* The city gate witnesses do more than just witness this transaction, they also offer special blessings, Vs. 4 and Vs. 11 What are prophetic meaning of these blessings?
* What is the significance of the women blessing Naomi in Vs. 14,15?
* What is the significance of Obed’s name meaning servant? How does this relate to Jewish and Gentile Believers (4:13)
* Why do you think the story ends with the genealogy of Boaz being included, This is the only book in the Bible that ends with a genealogy Vs. 18-22?
* As we wrap up, what lesson, promise, command, or warning can we learn from the story of Ruth?
* As a Messianic Congregation what is the unique calling that we are called to fulfill? How can we be part of helping to build up the House of Israel?

**Works** (**Edification**): Break up into small groups and minister to each other based on what was shared in the Word portion.

**Witness:** Pray through your ***oikos.*** If you haven’t created an *oikos* list yet, spend the remainder of the time doing that. And if time remains pray through it