

Canadian Messianic Jewish Institute  
**Jewish Christian Relations**  
May 15th to 17th, 2026

Instructed by  
**Daniel Nessim**



### About the Instructor

Daniel Nessim is a British-Canadian Messianic Jew. Raised in a Hebrew Christian home, he holds a B.Th. from Northwest Baptist Bible College, an MA from Regent College, and a PhD from the University of Exeter. He is the author of *Derech Yeshua, Torah for Gentiles?* (based on his doctoral dissertation on the Didache), and the British Messianic Siddur: *Siddur Sar Shalom*. Currently, Daniel is the congregational leader of Kehilat Tsion, Vancouver's Messianic Jewish Synagogue. He is also the Northwest Regional Director for Chosen People Ministries and director of the Chosen People Bible Institute. Daniel and his wife Deborah live near Seattle, WA with their three parrots and five chickens.

### Course Syllabus

#### Course Description

Ever since the so-called “Partings of the Ways” to the war of October 7, 2023, Jewish-Christian relations (JCR) have been fraught with theologically fueled anti-Judaism and antisemitism. In conjunction with the broader context of interreligious and more specifically Jewish-Christian relations, this course explores the history of antisemitism and the toll it has exacted upon the Jewish people, most egregiously in the Shoah and to this day. The underlying forces that precipitated that tragedy will be examined. Specific attention will be paid to the generally accepted definitions of Judaism and Christianity and the challenge of dialogue with both from the standpoint of Messianic Judaism.

#### What You Will Learn

Jewish-Christian relations is a multifaceted field of study, affected by history, sociology, philosophy, and religion. It has a significant impact on Jewish receptiveness to the messiahship of Yeshua. This course will deepen your understanding as to how the worlds of Judaism and Christianity affect one another and to identify the key challenges and opportunities that Jewish-Christian relations afford. It will illuminate how Messianic Jews have always been the “spoiler” in the mix, and how Messianic Judaism highlights the deeply held fallacies on both sides.

#### Application

Understanding Jewish Christian relations will help you to relate better to the viewpoints of those worlds. It will provide context for sharing your own position and conclusions with others and has the potential to inform life-changing conversations. Where disagreements are present, it will help you to understand others – both Christians and Jews – better. You will be better equipped to know how to both build bridges and present your own case, “always ready to give a reasoned answer to anyone who asks you to explain the hope you have in you - yet with humility and respect” (1 Peter 3:15).

### Course Schedule

- Hour One: Introduction and Greeks, Latins, and the Jews
- Hour Two: Jews and Christians in Nascent Christendom
- Hour Three: Supersessionism
- Hour Four: Crusades and Disputations
- Hour Five: From Wittenburg to London: The Reformation and its Effects
- Hour Six: Revolution and Reform: France, Jews, and Liberalism
- Hour Seven: Thunderclouds: Before the Shoah
- Hour Eight: Where Were the Christians in the Shoah?
- Hour Nine: After Apocalypse
- Hour Ten: Dialogue
- Hour Eleven: Jewish and Christian Relations Today
- Hour Twelve: Again: After October 7

### What You Will Need / Requirements for Credit

#### Reading

Kessler, Edward. *An Introduction to Jewish-Christian Relations*. Cambridge: Cambridge University, 2010.

*\*Recommended supplemental reading will be found in course manual*

#### Grading

- 20% Attendance
- 20% Reading
- 20% 1-page book review (500 words)
- 40% 1000-word essay answering the question “What did Yeshua change?” or a topic of your choice with instructor’s approval.



## Registration Form

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#### Course Location:

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#### Live Streamed to:

**Beit Tefillah Sameach**, 334 13 St. N. Lethbridge

To Live-Stream this course to your location or home, call Beth Shechinah at 403.256.3478 for more information on how to register and connect.

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## Required Information

(Please Fill Out A New Form For Each Participant)

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

PROVINCE

POSTAL CODE

TELEPHONE

E-MAIL

## Tuition:

Cash, cheque, credit card, payable to Beth Shechinah.

(Please do not send cash in the mail.)

Email transfers must be sent to:

**donations@bethshechinah.com**

with an accompanying e-mail giving your name and details.

Check one of the following selections:

1. Credit:  \*\*\$100. includes the course & the course manual. Optional:  \$10 USB Thumb Drive of all course sessions \$10.

2. Audit:  \*\*\$75. includes the course & the course manual. Optional:  \$10 USB Thumb Drive of all course sessions.

3. Drop-in sessions:  I will attend \_\_\_\_ sessions at \*\*\*\$30. per session, totalling \$\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*\*(course material is not included.)

## Request to purchase the course manual and USB Drive of audio recordings.

I did not attend the course and my price for the course manual, plus 1 USB Thumb Drive of all the sessions is \$90 each.



The CMJI (Canadian Messianic Jewish Institute) is a pilot project of the CMJC (Council of Messianic Jewish Congregations) of Alberta. One of the greatest needs within the Messianic movement in Canada is to empower and equip the present and next generation of Messianic Believers for leadership. The vision of CMJI is to establish a reputable Messianic Yeshiva in Canada with the goal of offering high quality courses to the Messianic Community and to provide opportunity for Believers to be trained, equipped and qualified to give leadership in Messianic congregations.



## Dates and Times:

Friday, May 15th, 2026

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 16th, 2026

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 17th, 2026

5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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## Course Audio MP3s on USB Drive:

**Past Courses Also Available**

Non-attendees: \$90 for the course manual, plus 1 USB Thumb Drive containing all course sessions in .mp3 format.



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