

MINI PROPOSAL

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FULL NAMES OF CANDIDATE

Submitted in accordance with the requirements for the degree of

MASTER OF DIVINITY IN MESSIANIC STUDIES

at

UNIVERSITY NAME

PROMOTOR

PROF _____

NOVEMBER 2013

CURRICULUM VITAE

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: Full names of candidate

Age:

Birth date:

ID/Passport/Social Security Number:

2. CONTACT INFORMATION

Address:

Full postal address

Full physical address

Country

Postal/Zip Code

Telephone number and country dialling code i.e. +27 (12)

Mobile number

e-mail address: current

Website:

3. EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

3.1 Starting with latest qualification obtained (state **date** qualification obtained)
Working backwards to Primary School

3.2 Proof of Academic Qualifications submitted with Registration

4. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY and MINISTRY

4.1 Employment History: Begin with most recent employment and then work backwards

4.2 Ministry History: Give brief overview of spiritual path – finalise with status to date.

5. INTERESTS: SPORTS, HOBBIES, BOOKS

For interest sake, write a short overview of your other interests and hobbies.

6. STATEMENT OF RESEARCH INTENT (SRI)

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND TO FIELD OF INTEREST

This is the most important section of the Mini-Proposal! This is where you clearly express:

- Your field and particular area of interest;
- The objective of your research,
- The purpose of this research and what you hope to achieve during your studies

The information as provided by yourself will allow the Hebraic Roots Teaching Institute to pre-assess your eligibility for post-graduate study – and to appoint a Tutor best suited for your specific field of interest.

Because you are writing about your personal field of interest, you may write in the first person, i.e. “I”, “me” “us” and “them”. However, once your application is approved, the formal Academic writing style is the only acceptable form of writing and then it will be “the researcher, author, reader, the Believer, etc”.

7. **THESIS TOPIC:** give a clear idea of your interest i.e.

AN IMPACT STUDY INTO THE HEBRAIC ROOTS MOVEMENT AND ITS IMPACT ON THE SOUTH AFRICAN RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY. *The what when and how/ YOUR PASSION*

8. **GENERAL OUTLINE: (utilise this heading) *Name and number your paragraphs***

The **reasons** for the application to study the impact of the Hebraic Roots movement are as follows:

- Give **background** of how you, as the prospective researcher, became interested in this field of interest.
- Give as many points of the background as you deem necessary to enhance your application. Writing two or three sentences will not do it. Remember, you need to convince the Admissions Board of your eligibility to study at the Institute.
- Remember, this is your **passion**. Write about it to your heart’s content i.e: it became of paramount importance to create an awareness in mainstream Christianity of the wealth of off untapped knowledge that exist of the Hebraic Roots of the Christian faith. Now expound on the topic.
- State the reasons **why** you chose this field. How was it initiated in your own life, i.e.
- I chose this field of study because of my own growing awareness of the Christians rich Spiritual inheritance which they are totally unaware of.
- The lack of knowledge in the Christian Body has created a desire in me to share the knowledge. Etc. etc. etc
- I believe that the courses which I have attended and completed, as well as the extra-curricular reading undertaken, has given me a solid foundation and forms the basis for the research that I would like to undertake.
- State your **own** reasons for doing this research.

- The many courses have perfected the researchers' skills as a teacher in the Body. Being responsible for so many members in the yeshiva and Church has made me a person of integrity and I would not embarrass the University with unbecoming behaviour. (Your own words).
- State **what** you would like to **achieve** with this studies: (Your own words and ideas).
- The research is worth doing because I would address the lack of knowledge in the Christian world regarding the *your own words*.
- I would like to develop an awareness programme for ignorant Believers who have not been introduced to their Jewish Messiah, and His life as a Jewish Rabbi.
- In order to do achieve this goal, I need to research the different methods how to establish such awareness.
- I would like to develop my own skill and knowledge to such a level, that I speak as a specialist or at least as a knowledgeable person.
- A Masters Degree in this will field will add value and prominence to my already existing knowledge. **Please ensure that you name and number each different paragraph**

9. **SUGGESTED OUTLINE: BACKGROUND TO THE STUDIES** (utilise this heading)

- Briefly summarise **current** research in your field, i.e. **The impact2 paragraphs.**
(Your own words and ideas).
- Provide a brief outline of the **areas which you plan to cover** in your thesis:
 - I.e Historical: how did the Christian Believer lose their Hebraic Inheritance?
 - I.e. Did anti-Semitism play a role in this identity theft of the Christian Body?
 - i.e. Name the different areas in your field that you would like to address.
 - (Your own words and questions).
- **Aims And Objectives Of The Research (Utilise this heading) Number these headings**
- State the **questions** that you have been **pondering** on. i.e. this is your research questions (Your own words and questions).
- State the **questions that you need to research** i.e. you believe the Christians are struggling with.; **your concerns as the researcher and the questions that you would like to see answered.**
- Think of approximately four (4) to five (5) questions that you need to research. (it could be part of the problems that you have encountered in reality).
- State why **you** believe this research is worth doing: I believe that this research will add value to

10 RESEARCH DESIGN (utilise this heading)

- **What data is required:** state the books and journals read, the websites that added value, practical experience i.e. teaching and courses attended, in other words, state the sources that you, as the researcher, have consulted, and will consult during the research process. i.e. www.hrti.co.za

The data that is required to perform this research is found mostly in Hebrew Scriptures, on the Internet and through conducting interviews with Rabbi's and other Torah Scholars. Finally, the data needed can be gleaned from within the Oral Torah, the written Torah, by doing an exegesis in the PaRDes methodology, and as advised by the Faculty Mentors.

- **State what methods and procedures** will you, as the researcher, utilise to collect analyse the data? There must be a logical flow when analysing the data. i.e. **name and number each method**

Once the research data is accumulated, with the assistance of the Faculty tutors, the research data will be organised and filed within the different categories. Then according to the research elements they will assessed and analysed for utilisation. Research is the process of elimination, whatever remains, is the Truth.

The Research Methodology will be historical, scientific, questionnaires, interviews and mostly philosophical, due to the nature of this research.

11. CURRENT PROJECT

If you do have access to data or a project for use in a dissertation, mention this. Briefly describe the nature of the data; who collected it, and what you want to do with it. If you are involved in a project that will provide material provide all relevant information.

The Hebraic Roots Teaching Institute places a high premium on the credibility of the research material; therefore, the Hebraic Roots Teaching Institute follows the MLA referencing method. No student or candidate may utilise source material without proper reference to the author and/or website/book/journal of your source. Plagiarism is out.

12. PROOF OF ACADEMIC COMPETENCE: (utilise this heading – and use your own words)

This is a *personal* essay and represents “who” you are. i.e. *The information, as contained within the above-mentioned paragraphs should serve as proof of my Academic Competence. My background, as described, my life experiences and challenges, and especially my practical education and training in the field of the Hebraic Roots Movement qualifies me to pursue this post-graduate degree.*

Your own value as aspirant researcher: What sets me apart from other candidates in the field of Messianic Studies are the fact that I am attempting to prove that the *your own words. i.e.*

The courses that I have attended over the years have confirmed this resolve to address this lack of knowledge in the Body of Messiah.

My aspirations are: to be ordained as a Messianic Rabbi in future teaching the truth of the word of YHVH wherever Ruach HaKodesh leads and calls me. (*your own words*).

I am interested in this academic field for the following reasons: I have a passion for the truth (*your own words*)

My skills and personal characteristics are: (*your own words*) . . . integrity, reliable, methodical, not-influenceable, etc.

The Admissions Committee would be interested in me for the following reasons:

In your own words state your reasons why you should be accepted at the Hebraic Roots Teaching Institute.

It would be greatly appreciated if my request to further my studies will be approved in order to advance my skills and knowledge base. Not only improve my knowledge, but the Messianic Body, *per se*.

- Be honest about yourself in this essay
- Ensure that the opening paragraph is phrased in order to seize the attention of the reader.
- Do a positive portrayal of yourself.
- Ensure that this essay provide insight into your character
- Ensure that all relevant information is provided within this Mini-Proposal
- Ensure that you have answered all questions thoroughly

- All HEADINGS must be in capital letters.
- Do not utilise capital letter to emphasise a statement. Utilise **bold** or *italic*
- Do not underline a word it is not academically correct
- Check spelling and spacing between words.
- Font Arial 12
- Margins: Left 2.5 all else 1.5
- Header .05 at the top. 00 at bottom
- Alignment : Left
- Utilise bullets or numbering to make lists.