

## **HOLIDAY SABBATHS 2012**

The days listed below are designated as Sabbaths by the Torah. On these festival Sabbaths, no work may be done, except for food preparation for the same day. Food preparation would not be done if the festival falls on a regular Sabbath (sunset on Friday through sunset on Saturday). You may wish to provide your employer with this information well in advance.

Since the biblical day begins in the evening, these Sabbaths span two civil days, beginning shortly before sunset and ending shortly after sunset the following day.

### **PASSOVER** (Only the first day and seventh day are Sabbaths.)

First Day: Begins **Friday, April 6** before sunset  
Ends **Saturday, April 7** after sunset

Seventh Day: Begins **Friday, April 13** before sunset  
Ends **Saturday, April 14** after sunset

### **SHAVUOT** (Pentecost.)

Begins **Saturday, May 26** before sunset  
Ends **Sunday, May 27** after sunset

### **ROSH HASHANAH** (Feast of Trumpets.)

Rosh Hashanah begins **Sunday, September 16** before sunset  
Ends **Monday, September 17** after sunset

### **YOM KIPPUR** (Day of Atonement/ Observed with a complete 24hr fast.)

Begins **Tuesday, September 25** before sunset  
Ends **Wednesday, September 26** after sunset

### **SUKKOT** (Feast of Tabernacles)

Begins **Sunday, September 30** before sunset  
Ends **Monday, October 1** after sunset

### **SHEMINI ATZERET** (Eighth Day Festival/Rejoicing in the Law.)

Begins **Sunday, October 7** before sunset  
Ends **Monday, October 8** after sunset