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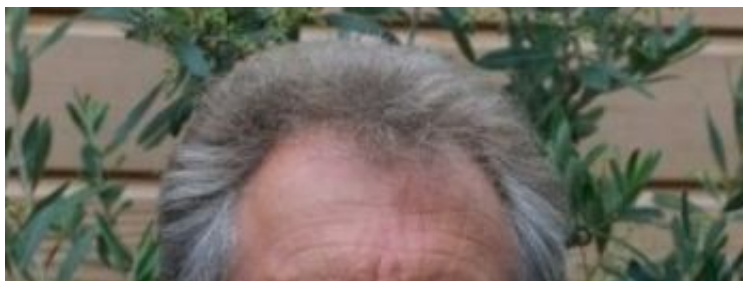


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"Learning Messiah"

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Edjan Westerman studied at the Theological Faculty of the Free University in Amsterdam. He specialized in Old Testament and New Testament studies. He served as a pastor within the Protestant Church in the Netherlands. Edjan has been involved with TJCII when it started in the Netherlands in 2005.

The Dutch edition of his book "**Learning Messiah**" was published in 2015, and was welcomed by a broad readership from all denominations. He and his wife, Coby, live in Aalsmeer near Amsterdam.

About "**Learning Messiah**"

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I was in Jerusalem in 2004 and I did a study on two communities: believers from Israel and from the nations, that make up the Body of Messiah Jesus/Yeshua. This study, titled "The Torah of the Messiah and His Two Children," helped me delve into the role of the Messiah and I realized that a new relation between the two communities was necessary.

I was introduced to TJCII when I was invited to participate in the first meeting of Toward Jerusalem Council II in December 2004. Since then, I have been active within the national committee and the theological working group of TJCII in the Netherlands.

Dan Juster, one of TJCII's international leaders, directed my attention to the influential book by R.K. Soulen, "The God of

*Israel and Christian Theology". This encouraged me to broaden my work about the ongoing narrative of the Scripture. That's when my book, "**Learning Messiah**" was born, first in Dutch and then in English. It is about the blessing and love of G0d and calls for love and a "return-ing" dedication to G0d.*

My book has been endorsed by influential theologians, both Jewish and non-Jewish, but it is written so that not only theologians can benefit from it.

I pray this book will serve the worldwide Christian church and will facilitate new encounters and relations. This is what G0d's heart yearns for.

May we be faithful learning Messiah!



"This book offers an alternative to the traditional Christian narrative, that so often has been characterized by replacement thinking and supersessionist narrative structures."

"I highly recommend Edjan's book which was written from a deep understanding of TJCII." - Rabbi Marty Waldman

**To find out more about the book and where to buy a copy, visit
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