



Nov - Dec 2008  
(Pagan)

# Ninth Month ~ 6008

Kislev 5769  
(Rabbinic)

First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Sabbath
Nov 30	Dec 1	Dec 2	Dec 3	Dec 4	Dec 5	Dec 6
 <b>1</b> 3.4% Illumination 10° Above Horizon 3	<b>2</b> 4	<b>3</b> 5	<b>4</b> 6	<b>5</b> 7	<b>6</b> 8	<b>7</b> 9
Dec 7	Dec 8	Dec 9	Dec 10	Dec 11	Dec 12	Dec 13
<b>8</b> 10	<b>9</b> 11	<b>10</b> 12	<b>11</b> 13	<b>12</b> 14	<b>13</b> 15	<b>14</b> 16
Dec 14	Dec 15	Dec 16	Dec 17	Dec 18	Dec 19	Dec 20
<b>15</b> 17	<b>16</b> 18	<b>17</b> 19	<b>18</b> 20	<b>19</b> 21	<b>20</b> 22	<b>21</b> 23
Dec 21	Dec 22	Dec 23	Dec 24	Dec 25	Dec 26	Dec 27
<b>22</b> 24	<b>23</b> 25	<b>24</b> 26	<b>25</b> 27 Festival of Dedication	<b>26</b> 28	<b>27</b> 29	<b>28</b> 30
Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30	Dec 31	Jan 1	Jan 2	Jan 3
<b>29</b>	 <b>1</b> 1.1% Illumination 6° Above Horizon (Improbable Sighting)					

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**25** 'Festival of Dedication' or 'The Festival of Lights' commemorates the victory of the Maccabees over the Syrians in 165 B.C.E and the re-dedication of the Temple in Jerusalem which had been defiled by them. Each night of the festival an additional candle is lit until on the last night, eight candles are burning. According to tradition, when the Temple was re-captured, only one small vessel of consecrated oil -- enough for just one day -- was found. Miraculously, it sufficed for eight days until new oil could be prepared and the festival was established for this length of time to commemorate the miracle.