ELIYAHU HANAVI (Israel)

This is a circle dance which translates to "The Prophet Elijah." The music is by Nehemya Sharabi, and the dance was choreographed by Eliyahu Gamliel.

Pronunciation:

Record: Blue Star 79

Formation: Dancers in a circle, moving CCW, face ctr.

Cts	<u>Pattern</u>
1-2 3-4 5-6 7-8 9-10 11-12 13-16	Part I. Face ctr, move CCW. Step on R ft to R side, bounce slightly. Cross L ft behind R ft, bounce slightly. Step on R ft to R side, cross L in front of R. Step on R ft to R side, cross L behind R. Step on R ft to R side, cross L in front of R. Step on R ft in place (bkwd), circle L leg high in the air with bent knee fwd and to L side, bounce R ft slightly. Repeat action of cts 9-12 in opp direction and reverse ftwk (begin with L ft to L side). Repeat action of cts 1-16.
1-2 3-4 5-8 9-10 11-12 13-14 15-16	Part 2. Face ctr, move CCW. Step on R to R side and hold. Deep cross with L in front of R and hold. Repeat action of cts 1-4. Step on R to R side and cross L in front of R (deep). Repeat action of cts 9-10. Step on R to R side, bounce slightly. Close L next to R, bounce slightly.
1-2 3-4 5-8 9-10 11-12 13-16 17-32	Part 3. Face ctr, moving twd and away from ctr; all slow steps are done with slight bounces. Step on R diag fwd twd ctr, snapping fingers of both raised hands to R side. Repeat action of cts 1-2 with L ft to L side. With three steps and hold, beginning R ft, make half turn CW, moving twd ctr, end up facing outside of circle. Step on L diag bkwd twd ctr, bounce. Repeat action of cts 9-10 with R ft. Yemenite step with L (bkwd to the ctr). Repeat action of cts 1-16, moving away from ctr. Repeat the whole Part 3 once more (twice in all).
1-16 17-20 21-24	Transitional Part; Four Yemenite steps beginning with R moving slightly twd the ctr, on ct 16 clap hands fwd. Four steps bkwd beginning with R ft, away from ctr. Step-bend on R ft bkwd, close L next to R, bounce.

The dance begins again.

Presented by Ya'akov Eden