KI ESHMERA (Israel)

Source: Ki Shmera means "Sabbath Dance." The dance was choreographed

by Ya'acov Levy. Moshiko taught this dance in Sacramento,

Calif. in 1980.

Pronunciation: KEY ESH-mear-ah

Music: M.I.H. Records #5, Side 1, band 2.

Meter: 4/4 Note: The dance starts with a two count up-beat (cts. 3

and 4 of the previous meas.). Each step takes 3 1/2

Meas. or 14 counts. The dance has been written by

count.

Formation: Circle, facing center, hands down.

Meas. Count Pattern

28 Introduction:

Step I:

1 Step R to R.

2 Step L in place.

3-4 Touch R toe across in front of L.

5 Touch R toe to R.

6 Hold

7 Step on R across in front of L.

8 Step L in place.

Step on R to R.

10 Step on L across in front of R.

11-12 Step on R to R with a small dip.

13-14 Close L next to R.

Repeat cts. 1-14 three more times.

Step II: (drop hands)

 $\overline{Step R}$ to R side.

2 Bend R knee slightly and snap fingers of both hands to R

3 Step L to L side.

4 Bend L knee slightly and snap fingers of both hands to L.

5 Step R to R side.

6 Step L to L side.

7-8 Step R fwd to cntr of circle turning R hip towards cntr and dipping slightly. R hand swoops low toward cntr and starts to come up as you turn to face out.

9-10 (Now facing out of circle) Step L fwd. R hand comes up behind L - both at chest level and extended fwd - palms out.

11 (Still facing out) Close R to L.

12 Bend both knees slightly.

13 Straighten knees - turn palms in towards your own body

14 Bend both knees slightly and snap fingers.

15-28 Repeat cts. 1-14 of Step II, but begin facing out of the circle and ending facing center.

Presented by Bruce Mitchell